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"Teach children how they should live, and they will remember it all their life." Proverbs 22:6

Data protection: Please notify the office if you change your details or change your mind about consent.

Friday 24th April 2026

Whole Class Reading Model Lessons

Thank you to all of the families who have attended the LKS2 Whole Class Reading Model lessons this week, we hope you found it beneficial to see the types of texts and comprehension skills needed in year 3 and 4.



Big Question

Each week we have a big question to focus on linked to RE and spirituality. The purpose of this is to create respectful, critical thinkers who are religiously literate, curious and excited about RE. This week the big question is: ***Is it better to be kind or to be honest?***

It would be wonderful for families to discuss this question and share their thoughts.



PTFA School Disco

The PTFA are pleased to announce the school disco party for all of the children at St. Luke's. **The PTFA disco will be on Friday 1st May 2026.** EYFS and KS1 (Conker, Sycamore, Oak and Silver Birch)- straight from school until 4.40pm. KS2 (Elder, Plum, Apple, Marula, Acacia and Baobab)- 5pm-6.30pm.

Tickets are available to book and pay for via the PTFA website, www.st-lukes-ptfa.co.uk.

The last day for booking a ticket is Tuesday 28th April at 3pm. No bookings will be accepted after this date.



INVESTORS
IN PEOPLE



WOW Moment

Well done to Skye in year six, who came in 1st place in her recent roller-skating competition. We are very proud of you!



Well done to Teddy P in year 2, who was awarded the man of the match at football last week.



School Council

This week the School Council met and helped Mrs Heard by tidying and organising the PE Shed.



Special Achievement Award

Congratulations to all of the children who received a certificate in the celebration worship today: Freddie W, Amelie, Toby G-K, Hayden, Maisie, Lorelei, Bella, Harrison B, Arlo, Frankie, Noah Ru, Katie S, Henry B, Cora Ha, Cillian and Nieve.

Reminders & Dates for the Diary

Staff will aim to deal with any **emailed queries** in three working days however if you haven't received a response, please contact admin@stlukesschool.co.uk who will investigate the matter for you.

When reporting your child's absence, you must leave a message on the **absence phone line** (01621 815456 option 2). This is the first line of communication that is checked in the morning and if you email the office, staff will not see this until registers have been processed.

Second-hand uniform is available every Tuesday opposite the main reception area between 3pm-3.30pm

If your child is missing any items of clothing, parents are able to check the **lost property box** in the school car park.

School Dates: The new academic year dates and INSET days for 2025/2026 are published on our website.

EYFS – Reception Conker		KS1 – Years 1 & 2 Oak, Sycamore and Silver Birch	LKS2 – Year 3 & 4 Apple, Plum and Elder	UKS2 – Years 5 & 6 Marula, Baobab and Acacia
		Event		Parents Invited / Additional
April	28 th April	Acacia Whole Class Reading Model Lesson-9am		Acacia parents and carers
	29 th April	Marula Whole Class Reading Model Lesson-9am		Marula parents and carers
	29 th April	LKS2 Local area walk- art focus		
	30 th April	Baobab Whole Class Reading Model Lesson-9am		Baobab parents and carers
May	1 st May	PTFA Party Disco		All welcome
	1 st May	Year 1 Parent Meeting for Phonics Screening- 8.45am- 9.10am in the hall		Year 1 Parents required
	11 th May- 14 th May	Relaxed SATs breakfast for all Year 6 children- 8.15am in the hall		
	13 th May	KS1 Tudor trip to Layer Marney Tower		
	14 th May	EYFS, Year 1 and year 2 Model Reading and Phonics lesson 2.20-3pm		EYFS, year 1 and year 2 parents and carers
	17 th May	PTFA Car Boot Sale		All welcome
	18 th May	Class Photos and Year 6 Photos		
	19 th May	Sports Day 9-3pm (letter to follow)		All welcome
	22 nd May	Carnival Games Day (more information to follow)		
	22 nd May	EYFS Superhero Dress-Up Day		
June	4 th June	UKS2 School Trip to Westminster in London 7.30am-4pm		
	8 th -12 th June	Book Fair in School (after school)		
	9 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check		
	9 th June	Parents Evening 3.30-6.30pm (more information to follow)		All welcome
	10 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Check		
	10 th June	Year 6 School Trip to Crucial Crew- 8.15am start		
	11 th June	Parents Evening 5.30pm-8.30pm (more information to follow)		All welcome
	12 th June	Non-Uniform Day in aid of PTFA Family Fun Day (letter to follow)		
	15 th June	Year 6 Community Challenge Team Building Day (specific pupils, letter to follow)		
	16 th Jun	PTFA Marvellous Men Gift Shop (more information to follow)		All welcome
	16 th Jun	KS2 Consortium Sports Afternoon (invite only)		
	17 th Jun	PTFA Marvellous Men Gift Shop (more information to follow)		All welcome
	20 th Jun	PTFA Summer Fun Day (more information to follow)		All welcome
	23 rd June	Year 3 and 4 Egyptian Day- Portals in the Past (more information to follow)		Cost £6.20 available on Scopay
July	8 th July	Year 5 Taster Morning at Thurstable (9.45-12.45)		

9 th July	Conker Class trip to Danbury Park	
10 th Jul	Year 6 Production at the Headgate Theatre (more information to follow)	Year 6 parents/carers
13 th July	Meet The Teacher 3.30pm KS1 4pm LKS2 4.30pm UKS2 (letter to follow)	All welcome
15 th July	Year 6 Leavers Service- 6pm in the church	Year 6 parents/carers
16 th Jul	PTFA Summer disco (more information to follow)	

Learning Characteristics

- Taking Risk
- Being Inquisitive
- Making Links
- Co-operation
- Resilience
- Reflecting



Tesco Blue Token Scheme

To help us climb towards our target for the second phase of our playground improvement scheme we have been successful in being chosen by Tesco to take part in their Blue Token Scheme. Each time you shop in Tesco, please grab a token and pop it in to the relevant slot. This will take effect from Tuesday 28th April until the end of July and will be available in the Tiptree and West Mersea stores. We thank you in advance for your support.





Site Manager

10 hours per week – 52.14 weeks per year

Scale 5 (£27,694 - £29,064)



St Luke's Primary School are seeking to appoint an enthusiastic, reliable and self-motivated team player to undertake this key role within our school. The successful applicant will understand the aims and priorities of the school in improving the environment for the children and take pride in their contribution to achieving this.

This role will involve a range of general caretaking tasks including general grounds and buildings maintenance, general security, overseeing the role of the Apprentice Assistant Caretaker and maintaining health and safety across the site to ensure the children are working within a safe environment. There is a requirement to have regular communication with the School Business Manager, who will be your Line Manager.

In order to apply for this role, you must be able to demonstrate strong DIY & handyman skills. Ideally, you must possess an awareness of COSHH, Legionella, Asbestos, safe manual handling practices and health & safety, although training is available if necessary.

If you would like to visit our friendly and happy school, please contact the school office on 01621 815456.

Applications can be made online through the Essex Schools Jobs Website <https://www.essexschoolsjobs.co.uk/Vacancies/Details.aspx?VacancyId=118539>

Our school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of all our students and all posts are subject to an enhanced DBS check and references.