



Tiptree St Luke's Church of England VC Primary School

Church Road Tiptree Colchester Essex CO5 0SU

Phone: (01621) 815456

E mail: admin@stlukesschool.co.uk

Website: www.stlukesschool.co.uk

"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 16th January 2026

Bikeability

A large group of year 6 children took part in the Essex Bikeability level 1 and 2 course this week. They learnt how to ride safely on the playground to pass level 1, and then moved on to level 2 on the local roads. Well done to Ralph, Eva, Ronnie C, Emily, Jessica, Leo, Elliott, Lacie, Albert, George, Isla, William, Katie, Tommy, Harry, Emelia, Alex, Monty and Aoibhe.



PTFA Disco

The PTFA are pleased to announce the School Disco for all of the children at St. Luke's. The PTFA disco will be on **Friday 30th January 2026**. Tickets are available to book and pay for via the PTFA website, www.st-lukes-ptfa.co.uk. This ticket includes unlimited squash and/or water. Children are able to bring spending money in a named purse/wallet to purchase sweets, pizza or small toys. £2-£4 is more than enough spending money for the event. Please see the separate letter for more details.

The last day for booking a ticket is Tuesday 27th January at 3pm. No bookings will be accepted after this date.



WOW Moments

Well done to Sidney in year 2, who was selected to play football at Manchester City- what a fantastic opportunity!



Congratulations to Freddie in year 4, who took his first exam at TAPA before Christmas. He received his certificate and rosette for his freestyle dance- well done!



Well done to Elsie in year 1, who was awarded a certificate and purple rosette for her freestyle dance.



Congratulations to Maeve who completed her first IDTA dance exam with Tiptree Academy of Performing Arts and achieved a Rosette Award in "Freestyle."



School Council

The School Council met this morning and carried out an audit of the playground equipment we currently have, and which resources are no longer used or broken. This helps us to narrow down what we need to raise money for and put a lot of broken equipment in the huge bins!



Special Achievement Award

Congratulations to the following children who have received a Special Achievement Award in this week's celebration worship: Imogen P, Michelle, Matilda, Felix F, Harriet J, Ava N, Ella-Rose, Abel, Harper-Lilly, Harrison, Penny, Addie, Zarco, Ben T, Zak, Erica, Ruben H, Arlo, Ned and Freddie W.

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 | |
| Jan | 22 nd Jan | KS2 WOW Day- VR Head Set | | | | | |
| | 26 th Jan | Year 1 Maths Model lesson-9am | | | | Year 1 parent/carers welcome | |
| | 27 th Jan | Year 2 Maths Model lesson- 9am | | | | Year 2 parent/carers welcome | |
| | 28 th Jan | Year 6 Model Maths lesson-9am | | | | Year 6 parents/carers welcome | |
| | 29 th Jan | EYFS Model Maths Lesson- 9am | | | | EYFS parent/carers | |
| | 30 th Jan | PTFA School Disco | | | | All welcome | |
| | 30 th Jan | Year 5 Maths Model lesson-9am | | | | Year 5 parents/carers welcome | |
| Feb | 4 th Feb | Year 4 Maths Model lesson-9am | | | | Year 4 parents/carers welcome | |
| | 5 th Feb | Year 3 Model Maths lesson-9am | | | | Year 3 parents/carers welcome | |
| | 10 th Feb | Year 1 and 2 Beach Hut Design and Technology morning- 9am | | | | Year 1 and 2 parent/Carers welcome | |

| | | | |
|-------|------------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| | 12 th Feb | Wear it Red for Fred (more information to follow) | |
| | 13 th Feb | INSET DAY | |
| | 25 th Feb | Year 1 and 2 Trip to Mersea Outdoor | |
| | 27 th Feb | PTFA Music Bingo (more information to follow) | All welcome |
| March | 12 th March | PTFA Wonderful Women's Gift Shop (more information to follow) | |
| | 13 th March | PTFA Wonderful Women's Gift Shop (more information to follow) | |
| | 20 th March | PTFA Beetle Drive (more information to follow) | All welcome |
| | 24 th March | Baobab Class Assembly- 9am | Baobab parent/carers welcome |
| | 25 th March | Year 3 and 4 Easter Service to parents/carers- 2.15pm in St. Luke's Church | Year 3 and 4 parent/carers welcome |
| | 25 th March | Acacia Class Assembly- 9am | Acacia parent/carers welcome |
| | 26 th March | Marula Class Assembly- 9am | Marula parent/carers welcome |
| April | 15 th April | UKS2 (Acacia, Marula and Baobab) trip to High Woods Country Park | |
| | 18 th April | PTFA Inflatable Assault Course event (more information to follow) | All welcome |
| May | 1 st May | PTFA Party Disco (more information to follow) | All welcome |
| | 13 th May | KS1 Tudor trip to Layer Marney Tower | |
| | 17 th May | PTFA Car Boot Sale (more information to follow) | All welcome |
| | 22 nd May | Carnival Games Day (more information to follow) | |
| June | 16 th June | PTFA Marvellous Men Gift Shop (more information to follow) | All welcome |
| | 17 th June | PTFA Marvellous Men Gift Shop (more information to follow) | All welcome |
| | 20 th June | PTFA Summer Fun Day (more information to follow) | All welcome |
| July | 10 th July | Year 6 Production at the Headgate Theatre (more information to follow) | Year 6 parents/carers |
| | 16 th July | PTFA Summer disco (more information to follow) | |



Marvellous Me is an opportunity for us to share the great work and amazing attitude that the children show daily in school. Access codes can be collected at the school office. Links to download the app on iOS or Android can be found here: <https://marvellousme.com/parents/>

Learning Characteristics

| | | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------|
| Taking Risk | Being Inquisitive | Making Links | Co-operation | Resilience | Reflecting |
| <u>Christian Values</u> | Responsibility | Compassion | Faith | Forgiveness | Hope |
| Thankfulness | | | | | |



SEND Coffee Mornings (no booking needed)

The MAZE is a unique approach to SEND which offers insights into how children with additional needs experience the world.

We have free monthly coffee mornings in Colchester, Clacton-on-Sea, Mistley and Harwich.

Colchester

Colchester Parent Support Group host monthly coffee mornings between 10am to 12pm at Greenstead Community Centre, Hawthorn Avenue, Colchester, CO4 3QE

Dates

- Monday 19th January
- Monday 23rd February
- Monday 16th March
- Monday 20th April
- Monday 18th May
- Monday 15th June
- Monday 13th July

HOLIDAY HANGOUT

STEAM
Science, Technology, Engineering, and Maths

17th February

Friction Friends

Bottle Bow and Arrow

Spoon Catapults

Flying Spinners

Fizzy Rockets

Cardboard Grabbers

£30 per child, per day
8:30am till 4:30pm. Booking required - Limited spaces available.
Activities may vary according to demand
Booking not confirmed until payment received.



FREE DELIVERY OFFER

FOR PARENTS!

PLACE AN ORDER VIA YOUR SCHOOL'S ONLINE STORE FOR A MINIMUM VALUE OF £50 AND RECEIVE FREE DELIVERY!

Gooddies can supply all your schoolwear, sportswear and accessories for schoolchildren. Visit our website today for full details of available products.

Email: theteam@goddies.co.uk
Visit: www.goddies.co.uk