



St Luke's C of E Primary School Newsletter

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Go, shine in
the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

Our school has been described by Ofsted as an outstanding place for children to learn. The personal development and the academic outcomes our children achieve are amongst the best in the country.

As you know, our school belongs to a close partnership of five excellent schools. Working within this Partnership provides our school with the ability to offer our children an outstanding education. Why is this?

- The large number of staff across the five schools means that we can provide very high quality and ongoing coaching and career development for our teachers.
- Schools in partnerships such as ours attract the most highly qualified and ambitious staff because of the opportunities for development and promotion.
- Staff seek out our five Partnership schools as places to work and choose to stay, because of the high-quality curriculum which allows them to focus on planning for children's learning needs whilst having a reasonable workload.

Standalone one-form entry school's operating on their own are not able to offer this to pupils or staff.

It is no coincidence that the majority of our Partnership schools are judged as Outstanding by Ofsted.

We are proud to belong to a partnership of schools that is being recognised as a model of outstanding practice to other schools by the local authority and the London Diocese.

Best wishes, Mr Smith (Head of School) and Mr Webb (Executive Headteacher)

Art in Year 4: Visit to The Wallace Collection

Last week, Year 4 explored The Wallace Collection to have a look at some of the fantastic paintings and sculptures there. They thought carefully about what they liked about the artwork on display and the different techniques the artists had used to create it. They each had a go at drawing some of their favourite pieces.



I have received and read the **St Luke's CE Primary School** newsletter of **13.12.24**

Name of child _____ Class _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

Important dates for your diary...



Monday 16th December—Y5 & Y6
Christmas party (children wear their own clothes)

Wednesday 18th December—Christmas lunch

Friday 20th December—Last day of term (staggered end of the day)

Monday 6th January—Start of the Spring term
(children back at school)

Wednesday 15th January—Deadline for Reception applications to be completed on www.eadmissions.org.uk

Monday 13th January—First week of Spring Term after-school enrichment clubs

Monday 17th—Friday 21st February—Half term

Friday 28th February—Academic Review Day (letters about appointment times will be sent out towards the end of January)



Person of the Week!

- Reception** - Isla
- Year 1** - Amaya
- Year 2** - Shadean
- Year 3** - Asinat
- Year 4** - Syenna
- Year 5** - Sila
- Year 6** - Gabriel



Attendance...

Congratulations to **Year 4** who have been awarded Luke, our Attendance Bear, for having the **BEST ATTENDANCE** last week.

Year 4 had a class attendance of **99%**!

Please make sure your child is in school every single day unless they are too unwell to come to school.

A reminder that gates open at 8:40am and children should be in school by 9:00am ready to start their learning.

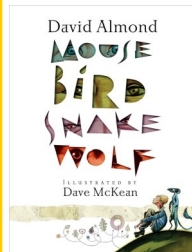


Work of the Week!



This week's brilliant piece of work displayed in the school lobby is by **Delroy, in Year 6**.

Year 6 have been reading the graphic novel *'Mouse Bird Snake Wolf'* by David Almond. The children were tasked with writing a letter addressed to the gods, suggesting their own creation and explaining why it is so wonderful.



Delroy produced a highly engaging persuasive letter using a range of conjunctions, different sentence types and descriptive language.

Well done, Delroy!



Our Prayer of the Week

Sunday is the third Sunday of Advent...

Dear God

As Christmas draws closer,
Help us to remember anyone who is sick or lonely at this time of year:

The homeless and sad,
those who are hungry or at war.
May the peace and joy of Christmas reach out and touch their lives

Amen



Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Mr Smith or Ms Marsham.

We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.



Christmas at St Luke's

This week, some of the classes have enjoyed celebrating Christmas by having a special Christmas party. The children enjoyed playing party games, dancing, eating delicious party food and watching a festive film. Year 5 and Year 6 have their class party on Monday.



Christmas Parties

Yesterday, Key Stage 2 pupils enjoyed demonstrating the school values of **Community** and **Excellence** singing Christmas carols and sharing Christmas readings with parents and the clergy at St. Luke's Church during our **Carol Service**. Thank you to parents, friends and families who joined us.



KS2 Carol Service

The children also watched a fun and engaging pantomime performance of 'Cinderella'. The show was full of twists and turns, as well as many funny jokes which the children enjoyed hugely.



Pantomime