



Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May

# St Luke's CE Primary School News

## Our Vision

**'Growing in Strength, Love and Wisdom We Shine'**

**We shine like bright stars in the sky**

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:14-16)

### Our Year 6 children

We are so very proud of the effort and perseverance shown by our year 6 pupils this week when completing their SATs. They have been working extremely hard on their SATs in Reading, Maths, Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling. These are the tests taken by Y6 pupils across the country and are marked externally. Results come back to us in July. We are proud of the way the children have worked, showing real resilience and determination. Well done Year Six!

A heartfelt thank you also goes to our dedicated Year 6 team, who have gone above and beyond to ensure the children start each day well-prepared and settled, including providing them with breakfast each morning. Your care and commitment make a real difference. Thank you.

### It's coming home!

And here they are — the winners of the Year 3 and 4 Football League! What an amazing achievement! We are all so proud of each and every one of you.

A huge thank you to Mr Shenton and Mr Bartels for your fantastic coaching and support throughout the season.

Well done, you football stars — you've done us proud!



### Star of the Week

Tiny Tigers	Siena
Busy Bees	Haider
Performing Pandas	Jake
Dazzling Dolphins	Rose
Outstanding Owls	Ryan
Fantastic Foxes	Chris
Learning Leopards	Darci

### Christian Value Certificate

Tiny Tigers	Whole Class
Busy Bees	Khloe
Performing Pandas	Ava
Dazzling Dolphins	Myla
Outstanding Owls	Theo
Fantastic Foxes	Ally
Learning Leopards	Logan

### Attendance

Tiny Tigers	96.2%
Busy Bees	92.9%
Performing Pandas	95.4%
Dazzling Dolphins	93%
Outstanding Owls	94.5%
Fantastic Foxes	99%
Learning Leopards	95.6%

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**  
National Walk to School Week

**Friday May 23<sup>rd</sup> May**  
Lichfield Cathedral Visit – Year 6

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**  
Children break up at 3.10pm

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**  
Children return at 8.40am

## Special Mentions

Well done to you all

**Football achievements:** Lucas, Archie and Chester

**Dancing achievements:** Lacey, Izzy, Abbey, Myla and Ally

**The Robinson-Phillips Excellence in Kindness goes to:** Fiona

**Mr Shenton's Award goes to:** Football Team

**Special Mention:** Tobias



Well done to the children that took part in the Dojo Task.

## Class Dojos

<p><b>Dojo Task</b></p> <p>How can you show you care? Can you write a card to someone that you care for and explain why?</p> <p>Return by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</p> <p>Cards can then be shared with the person.</p> <p>20 Dojos for this task.</p>	4 <sup>th</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup>

## Reading

With the Summer weather coming our percentage of children reading has certainly dropped. Please remind children that there are opportunities in school to read. If you have any difficulties in getting your child to read or you would like us to support, please speak to me or Mr Slater.

## Reading Ambassadors

At St Luke's, we have always encouraged a love for reading for all of our children... but you're probably sick of hearing the grown-ups telling you that, right?

We'll keep your eyes peeled on ClassDojo over the next week as I have been interviewing some of our Reading Ambassadors about what makes reading fun for them and I can't wait to share what they said with you.

Hopefully they can inspire the children in our school to become budding bookworms too!

The first interview will be published below:

Yesterday I announced that our Reading Ambassadors will be sharing the reasons behind their love for reading to inspire our budding bookworms at St Luke's!

Meet our Year 5 Reading Ambassadors - Lacey and Riley

Q: What is your favourite book of all time?

Lacey: I love Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince by J K Rowling because I like how the author makes a picture in your head with her words.

Riley: The Boy Who Made The World Disappear by Ben Miller. When I have to stop reading for bedtime, I like to think about what will happen next in the story.

Q: What book are you currently reading?

Lacey: Matilda by Roald Dahl because I've just watched the



film and I like to compare it to the book. The book is better though because it is more detailed.

Riley: Running Wild by Michael Morpurgo because we were reading this at school last term. Its builds up slowly but it had lots of description in it.

Q: Which types of books do you enjoy the most?

Lacey: I like fantasy books because you can use your own imagination and predict how it's going to end.

Riley: I like mystery/ horror because there are lots of clues to work out before you find out what happens at the end.

Q: Why is it important for St Luke's children to read?

Lacey: As you get older, reading is going to become a massive part of your life!

Riley: If you read lots, you get the chance to read lots of different types of books which is lots of fun.

Thank you Lacey and Riley!

### Bedtime stories

This week's bedtime story is from Mrs Smith

<https://youtu.be/iieSsZ-YHfU>

### Lost Property

We have a growing number of items and all lost property that we have has been checked and there are no names on the items. Please ensure that the cardigans, etc. are named. These are often taken off due to the high temperatures.

### St Briavels Castle

Please find the form for the residential for May 2026. This is for all children in the present classes Years 2, 3, 4 and 5.

It starts on Monday 18th May 2026. This is the week after the SATS.

<https://forms.office.com/e/6aTFzHG4ty>

If you have any questions, please ask.

### Climate catch up corner



### National Walk to School Week

Next week is National Walk to School Week. The idea is that we reduce the number of times we use a car to travel to school. Please see if you can reduce your car use next week; maybe come by bike instead? There is space in the bike rack, so feel free to use that!

[Climate Action and Sustainability | St Luke's CofE \(VC\) Primary School](#)

### Meet the Governors

Over the last 3 months I have been introducing a Governor a week. Here is the link to the Governors if you missed one.

[Click here to find out about our Governors | St Luke's CofE \(VC\) Primary School](#)

### Free mental health apps for young people in Staffordshire

Free mental health apps for young people in Staffordshire proving to be a success during the exam season.

Young people today face increasing mental health challenges, and finding trusted, effective support can feel overwhelming.

In March Staffordshire County Council developed the Young Person's Mental Health (YPMH) section within the Staffordshire Health App Finder – a free digital tool that young people can use directly to find expert-reviewed mental health apps. These free apps can help young people look after their mental health with simple tools to manage stress, handle emotions, and learn more about mental health.

We have seen a staggering uptake, especially during May, with more than 4,000 users who have accessed it since we launched.

<https://www.instagram.com/teamsqvys>

<https://www.instagram.com/staffsyu>

<https://www.facebook.com/SCVYS/>

<https://x.com/staffscvys>

### Musician of the month

[May - Kishori Amonkar | St Luke's CofE \(VC\) Primary School](#)



### Our School Prayer

*God give me the strength to accept the things I cannot change, Courage to change the things I can, And wisdom to know the difference. With the help of your love. Amen.*

### Collective Worship Focus

This half-term our focus is The Caregivers, part of the Sacred Pathway. The children will be focusing on the bible stories of Feeding of the 5,000, Feeding of the 4,000 and answering the big questions of:

How can caring for others help us feel closer to God?

What would our school or world look like if everyone followed the Caregiver pathway?

### Snacks

Children order snacks on a Monday for the week. If your child is absent on Monday they will be able to order on their return to school.

Snacks	
Milkshake	82p
Bagel	38p
Pancake	45p

Toast	38p
Crumpet	38p

### Lunches

To go alongside the daily menu below, there is also Hot Tomato Pasta, Jacket Potatoes with Baked Beans/Cheese or Tuna and sandwiches with either ham, cheese, tuna or egg.

**Monday:** Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges

Vegetarian option – Rainbow Pizza with Jacket Wedges

**Tuesday:** BBQ Chicken Tortilla with Golden Rice

Vegetarian option – Mild & Sweet Veggie Curry with Golden Rice

**Wednesday:** Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy

Vegetarian option – Loaded Yorkshire with Roasties

**Thursday:** Italian Sausage Pasta Bake

Vegetarian option – Penne with Vegeballs & Tomato Sauce

**Friday:** Fish Fingers and Chips

Vegetarian option – Vegetable Fingers with Chips

Pre-order link for meals w/c 02/06/2025 - <https://forms.office.com/e/VMmq3DDhRQ>

## Important Dates

Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	Y6 visit Lichfield Cathedral
Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2025	School closes at 3.10 p.m. for Half Term
Monday, 26 <sup>th</sup> May 2025 to Friday, 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Half Term Holiday
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2025	INSET Day - School closed to Pupils
Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Children in Y5 invited to Hanley as part of the Samba March
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Open evening for parents (September 2025 Reception parents) 5pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Sports Day 9am-11.00am
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Session for new starters 9.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. (parents to stay)
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Tiny Tigers' Class Assembly and Cake Sale 5pm
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2025	KS2 Play 1.30pm
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	KS2 Play 5.30pm
Wednesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Session for new starters 9.00 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. (parents to stay)
Wednesday, 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	OO – Cadbury's World trip
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Reserved Sports Day 9am
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	Session for new starters 9.00 a.m. until 11.00 a.m. (just children)
Thursday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2025	St John Fisher – Induction Day
Thursday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2025	St John Fisher – Parental Information Evening 6.00 p.m.
Tuesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	The Orme Academy – transition day (9.00 a.m. till 3.00 p.m.)
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Y6 Play 1.30pm
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Y6 Play 5pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 202	Prom and Disco
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Reports to Parents
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Celebration of the Arts 1.30pm (all parents are invited)
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Leavers' Assembly 1pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Break up for the Summer holidays
Monday, 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2025	INSET Day
Tuesday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2025	INSET Day
Wednesday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	School Opens
Thursday, 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	School Photographs - Families, Siblings and Individuals
Friday, 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	School closes at 3.10 p.m. for Half Term
Monday, 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 to Friday, 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025	Half Term
Monday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	School Opens
Friday, 19 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025	School closes at 3.10 p.m. for Christmas

Monday 22nd December 2025 to Friday, 2nd January, 2026	Christmas Holidays
Monday, 5th January, 2026	INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday, 6th January, 2026	School opens
Friday, 13th February 2026	School Closes at 3.10 p.m. for Half Term
Monday, 16th February 2026 to Friday, 20th February 2026	Half Term
Monday, 23rd February 2026	School Opens
Friday, 26th March 2026	School closes at 3.10 p.m. for Easter Holidays
Monday, 30th March 2026 to 10th April 2026	Easter Holidays
Thursday, 4th April 2026	Photos - Class Groups, Leavers, Reception Individuals and Smylers Graduations
Monday, 13th April 2026	School opens
Monday, 1st June 2026	INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday, 2nd June 2026	School Opens
Friday, 17th July 2026	School closes for Summer Holidays
Monday, 20th July 2026	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)