

Great Oak CE  
Learning  
Federation



Summer Term  
2025

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June

# 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)

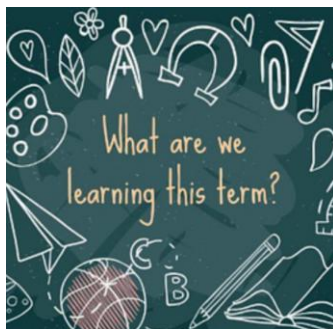
### Welcome Back

Welcome back to our final half term this year and I hope you all had a lovely break and managed some rest and time with family and friends. We have a very busy half term ahead with lots of dates for your diary. We always send out reminders before events take place through Dojo, please ensure you have access to this.

### What are we learning this term?

Do you want to know what your children are learning this half-term? Click on the links below to have a look.

Every week on a Friday teachers will still let you know what the focus will be for the following week. It is a very busy term!!



### Reception

<https://www.st-lukes-silverdale.staffs.sch.uk/class-pages/reception/-/tiny-tigers/overviews>

### Year 1-6

<https://www.st-lukes-silverdale.staffs.sch.uk/page/?title=Our+whole+school+curriculum+in+year+groups&pid=145>

### Spellings for this half-term

[St Luke's CofE \(VC\) Primary School - Spellings](#)



### Star of the Week

Tiny Tigers	Darcie
Busy Bees	Freddie
Performing Paddingtons	Freddie
Dazzling Dolphins	Ralph
Outstanding Owls	Lauren
Fantastic Foxes	Tia
Learning Leopards	Jack

### Christian Value Certificate

Tiny Tigers	Jacob, Darcie and Connie
Busy Bees	Jorgie
Performing Paddingtons	Daisy
Dazzling Dolphins	Edie
Outstanding Owls	Albie
Fantastic Foxes	Emmie
Learning Leopards	Jake

### Attendance

Tiny Tigers	94.2%
Busy Bees	90.5%
Performing Paddingtons	88.7%
Dazzling Dolphins	96%
Outstanding Owls	89%
Fantastic Foxes	87.1%
Learning Leopards	86.1%

### Saturday 7th June

Children in Y5 invited to Hanley as part of the Samba March

### Monday 9th June

PTFA Meeting at 9am

### Thursday 12th June

Sports Day in the morning  
Year 5 visit the Fire Station

### Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Father's Day/Special Person  
2.15pm

## Special Mentions

Well done to you all

**Football achievements:** Oscar (OO)

**The Robinson-Phillips Excellence in Kindness goes to:** Amelia (LL)

**Mr Shenton's Award goes to:** Bobbie (OO)

**Swimming Award:** Ryder



**Special mention to:** Archie, Esmé and Maisie

## Class Dojos

### Dojo Task

Can you create a traffic light tower?  
This will be introduced in Worship on Monday.

Please return by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June

### Thank you to Silverdale Methodist

We would like to say a heartfelt thank you to Silverdale Methodist Church and all the wonderful volunteers for delivering such an engaging and meaningful Pentecost experience for our children. The hands-on activities captured the children's interest from the very start, and it was a joy to see every child fully involved and enjoying their learning. Your time, care, and dedication are truly appreciated by us all. Thank you.

### Many Congratulations

Congratulations to Miss Thirlwall who got married during May Half-term. She had the most perfect day. She will now be known as Mrs Thirlwall-Jones.



### Message from Smylers

We are now taking bookings as places fill fast during the summer holidays. Call 01782 973870 or call in for a booking form.

## Sports Day – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June

It is Sports Day next week and we will be starting promptly, this will be as close to 9am as possible. This is taking place on our school field. We look forward to welcoming you there. There are chairs to sit on. You are more than welcome to bring a blanket or a camping chair if you would prefer. We aim to finish as close to 11am as possible. All we want now is no rain! If there were to be a cancellation this would be down to rain on the day or the day before. We will do a ground inspection very early on the morning if it has rained to let you know if the ground is safe to run on. All children need to be in their PE kits and bring a bottle into school on Thursday.



## Reading

### Reading Ambassadors

Meet our Year 3 Reading Ambassadors - Ivie and Ezra

Q: What is your favourite book of all time?

Ivie: I love 'Sasha and the Wolf Cub'. It's really interesting and it is about a boy getting lost in the woods who finds a wolf.

Ezra: I like 'Fantastic Mr Fox' by Roald Dahl because it makes me laugh. I like how the foxes get chased but don't get caught.

Q: What book are you currently reading?

Ivie: I'm reading '100 Greek Myths'. I'm finding out lots about the Greek god called Neptune.

Ezra: I'm reading 'Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory'. I like how the children all get golden tickets. My sister gave me all the Roald Dahl books and I love them.

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

Ivie: I like historic books because I like finding out facts about the past. I like non-fiction about animals too!

Ezra: I like any type of books which are funny and make me laugh.

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

Ivie: It helps your imagination to grow and you might need it to get your dream job.

Ezra: Reading can cheer you up and make you smile and laugh.

Thank you Ivie and Ezra!



## Bedtime stories

This week's bedtime story is by Miss Kelly. You can view all of the recordings on the page below:

[St Luke's CofE \(VC\) Primary School - Bedtime stories](#)



### 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. Please note that we will be marking all uniforms on Monday including jumpers, ties and coats.

### 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.

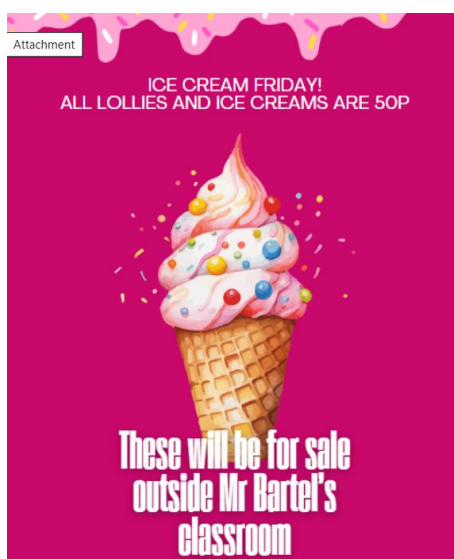
It starts on Monday 18th May 2026. This is the week after the SATS.

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

If you have any questions, please ask.

### PTFA

Every week and at the end of Sports Day too



### Events

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June

PTFA Meeting at 9am

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June or Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June

Father's/Special person Day

Sign up for cake and crafts here:

<https://forms.office.com/e/6d1Gu1xXtM>

20<sup>th</sup> June

Hamper Item please for Non-uniform

Tiny Tigers/Busy Bees – Summer treats

Performing Paddingtons/Dazzling Dolphins –

Pamper Hamper

Outstanding Owls – Rainy Day activities

Fantastic Foxes/Learning Leopards – Summer

Activities

27<sup>th</sup> June

Bottle or bar please

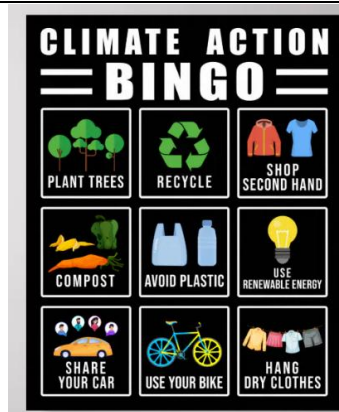
4<sup>th</sup> July

Summer Fair 3-4.30pm

### Climate catch up corner

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

Which ones could you mark off?



## 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](#)

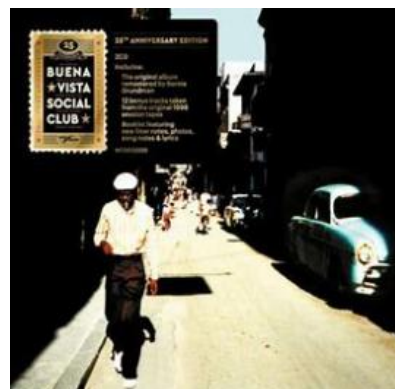
## Musician of the month

### Buena Vista Social Club

**About:** A musical ensemble primarily made up of Cuban musicians, formed in 1996. The project was organised by World Circuit executive Nick Gold, produced by American guitarist Ry Cooder and directed by Juan de Marcos González. They named the group after the members' club of the same name in the Buenavista quarter of Havana, a popular music venue in the 1940s. They recruited a dozen veteran musicians, some of whom had been retired for many years.

**Genres:** Son cubano, bolero and danzón

**Active from:** 1996-2015



## 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 week our focus was on journeys because we linked it to the Pilgrimage to Mecca - Hajj. The children were amazed at the sights watching it live on Youtube and finding out millions of people visit every year. You can find out more here:

[What is the Hajj pilgrimage? - BBC Newsround](#)

## 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 w/c 16/06/2025 - <https://forms.office.com/e/9xSHinT882>

## Important Dates

Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Children in Y5 invited to Hanley as part of the Samba March
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	PTFA Meeting at 9am
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	PP – National Forest Adventure Park
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Tiny Tigers’ Class Assembly and Cake Sale 5pm
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Non-uniform Day (Hamper item)
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
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2025	Non-uniform Day (Bottle or bar)
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	Session for new starters 9.00 a.m. until 11.00 a.m. (just children)
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2025	Newcastle Academy and Sir Thomas Boughey– Induction Day
Thursday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2025	St John Fisher, Newcastle Academy and Sir Thomas Boughey – Parental Information Evening 6.00 p.m.
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Summer Fair 3-4.30pm
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July and Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Madeley Transition Days
Tuesday, 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	The Orme Academy – transition day (9.00 a.m. till 3.00 p.m.)
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Y6 Play 1.30pm and 5pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Key Stage 2 trip to Keele University
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Prom and Disco
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Reports to Parents
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Celebration of the Arts 1.30pm (all parents are invited)
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2025	Annual water fight
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, 27th October 2025 to Friday, 31st October 2025	Half Term
Monday, 3rd November 2025	School Opens
Friday, 19th 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 Smlers 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)