

Great Oak CE
Learning Federation
Autumn Term 2025



Friday 12th September

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)*

Book Bus

On Monday 22nd September we are very excited to have The Book Bus visiting our school. Each class will have the opportunity to go aboard the bus, listen to a story and then have time to buy a book at a discounted price if they would like to. There is a huge variety available and the staff on the bus and our staff will be there to help the children choose if they need it.

The Bus will be arriving in the morning (8.20am) and will be staying for the morning so they are inviting parents aboard too to perhaps do a little bit of early Christmas shopping or just stock up the book shelves! It will be on the main playground.

If your child would like to purchase a book during the visit they can bring cash in to school in an envelope with their name on or if you would prefer you can buy vouchers from the book bus website and send these with your child instead. The link is –

<https://thebookbus.co.uk/products/the-book-bus-gift-card-15>

The book bus also accepts card payments.

It is always fantastic to see the children showing their love for reading and we are hoping that a visit from the book bus will develop this further.

Forms shared this week

Autumn Term 2025

[Learning Leopards - Shrewsbury Prison - Monday, 29th September](#)

[Dazzling Dolphins - Stone Age Workshop - Thursday, 2nd October](#)

[Fantastic Foxes - Jodrell Bank - Thursday, 16th October](#)

Spring Term 2026

[Bikeability for Year 5 and 6](#)

[Young Voices - Thursday, 5th February](#)



Star of the Week

Tiny Tigers	Bodhi
Busy Bees	Jenson
Performing Pandas	Logan
Dazzling Dolphins	Tyler
Outstanding Owls	Izzy
Fantastic Foxes	Bobby G
Learning Leopards	Riley G

Christian Value Certificate

Tiny Tigers	Paisley
Busy Bees	Rhianna
Performing Pandas	Isla
Dazzling Dolphins	Ronnee
Outstanding Owls	Grace
Fantastic Foxes	Mason
Learning Leopards	Dale

Special Mentions

Robinson-Phillips Excellence in Kindness goes to: Zak

Mr Shenton's PE star: Loki

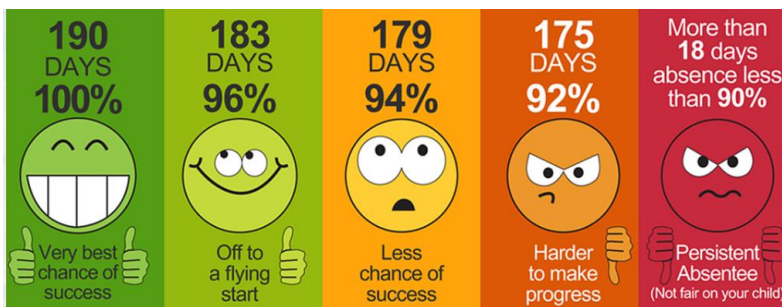
Monday 15th September
PTFA Meeting 9am

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Meet the Teacher Workshop
2.45pm

Monday 22nd September
Book Bus at school

Attendance

Tiny Tigers	95.8%
Busy Bees	100%
Performing Pandas	98.6%
Dazzling Dolphins	97.4%
Outstanding Owls	97.3%
Fantastic Foxes	99%
Learning Leopards	96.7%



Dojo Points and this week's Task

This week's task is:

Draw a poster showing what you have enjoyed at school in the first two weeks.

Every week there will be a Dojo task set by our Fantastic Four.

Every Dojo task completed gets rewarded by 20 Dojos!

Make sure you return the Task by Friday 19th September.

1,223

1,170

1,076

1,261

Open Days

Newcastle Academy

Open Evening: 1st October 2025, 6pm-8pm

Book on:

[Open Events | Newcastle Academy](#)

Sir Thomas Boughey

Open Evening: Thursday 25th September, 18:00-20:00

Open Morning: Monday 29th September, 9.30am

Open Morning: Wednesday 1st October, 11.30am

Book on:

<https://www.sirthomasbougheyacademy.org.uk/news-and-events/open-events>

Orme Academy

Wednesday 24th September 6pm

Saturday 4th October 10am-12pm

(No need to book)

St John Fisher

Thursday 25th September 6pm

Friday 26th September 9am

(no need to book)

Madeley School

Thursday 2nd October at 6pm (No need to book)

Meet the Teacher

You are invited to come and meet your child's teacher. This will be a short, friendly session where the teacher will talk about what your child will be learning this term and what to expect in class. It will last around 15–20 minutes, and you'll be given some helpful information to take home.

You only need to attend **one** of the sessions:

1 Monday 15th at 4:30pm

For Tiny Tigers, the session will focus more on phonics and early learning. If you're unable to attend, a link to the information will be shared on Class Dojo next week.

Communication Class Dojo

www.classdojo.com

Class Dojo is a fantastic tool for keeping in contact with the school. The teachers will be adding messages on there and photos too. Please make sure that you are registered. Ask the class teacher if you need support with this. Please note if you are messaging teachers after 5pm please do not expect a reply until the following morning. Thank you. I can be contacted through:

headteacher@st-lukes-silverdale.staffs.sch.uk

Website

Everything that you need to know about your child's day should be on our school website. If you are unable to find something, please let us know. There is a contact form on there and this can be found at the link below:

<https://www.st-lukes-silverdale.staffs.sch.uk/contact-details/>

Free School Meals

We are very keen to make sure that every child and family that is eligible for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium funding is registered correctly. This funding is vital to enable us to offer support to the individual children and across the school. You can check if you are eligible by completing the online form via the Staffordshire County Council website, link below: Apply online - Free School Meals - Staffordshire County Council We know that applying online can be sometimes be difficult, so we have staff on hand at school to help if you would prefer. All conversations remain private and confidential; all we need to complete the application for you is:

- Parent and Child Full Name and Date of Birth
- Contact Details
- National Insurance Number or National Asylum Seeker's Number

If you would like to take advantage of our team making the application for you, please let us know by contacting Caroline on 01782 973865 (Option 1) Caroline works on Monday to Wednesday.

Music of the Month

Week beginning 12th September

[ABBA - Dancing Queen \(Official Music Video\)](#)

- World famous hit – Dancing Queen was released in 1976 and quickly became one of ABBA's most popular songs all around the world.
- Number one song – It reached number one in lots of countries, including the UK, the USA, and Australia.
- Disco vibes – The song has a happy, disco sound that makes people want to get up and dance.
- Young and free – It's about the joy of being young, carefree, and enjoying dancing with friends.
- Still loved today – Nearly 50 years later, it's still played at parties, on the radio, and even in the musical Mamma Mia!



Reading at Home

We encourage all children to read at home regularly, ideally four times a week. This can be their school reading book or any other material they enjoy—magazines, comics, recipes, or even sharing a story together. Please remember to record each reading session in your child’s diary, as this helps us celebrate their progress and builds a strong partnership between home and school. Together, we can nurture a lifelong love of reading!

Walk to School Week

We are delighted to share that our school will be taking part in the **WOW scheme** this term—a wonderful initiative promoting active travel and sustainability. It’s a great chance to encourage positive habits and empower our pupils to become young leaders for change. Next week, the WOW team will be visiting school to lead a special introduction assembly, giving all children the



opportunity to learn more about the scheme and how they can get involved. Afterwards, our newly appointed WOW Ambassadors will take part in a dedicated workshop designed to equip them with the skills and confidence to inspire others. We are really looking forward to working alongside the WOW team and to seeing the difference our ambassadors will make!

PTFA News

Next Meeting:

Monday 15th September at 9am in the staff room

Events:

Thursday 16th October Movie Night 3.10pm-4.35pm £3

Meet the Governors

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

British Values

Each week in Worship on Thursday we explore British Values. Next week the focus is:



Democracy

Learning how to vote helps young people see their views matter. When we respect their voices and give them the chance to take part, we help build a fairer future together.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Talk to someone older at home, and ask them to share their experiences of voting and their thoughts on the news that 16-year-olds will be able to vote.
- Can you think of times when you have taken part in a vote? What was the outcome?
- Do you believe it's important for young people to learn about voting and democracy? If so, what age do you think the lessons should start?

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.

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.

Next week:

Monday: Margherita Pizza with Jacket Wedges

Vegetarian option – Rainbow Pizza with Jacket Wedges

Tuesday: Chicken Tikka Masala with Rice

Vegetarian option – Classic Mac & Cheese

Wednesday: Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy

Vegetarian option – Roast of the Day with Roasties & Gravy

Thursday: Homestyle Sausage Roll with Mash & Gravy

Vegetarian option – Plantastic Balls with Mash & Gravy

Friday: Fish Fingers or Salmon Fish Fingers with Chips

Vegetarian option – Crispy Garden Fingers with Chips

Pre Order link for 22/9/2025 - <https://forms.office.com/e/bUQPTmm4es>

Important Dates

Monday 15 th September 2025	PTFA Meeting 9am in the staff room (coffee/tea and biscuits provided)
Monday 15 th September 2025	Meet the Teacher Workshop 4.30pm
Monday 22 nd September 2025	Book Bus
Thursday 2 nd October 2025	DD – Stone Age Workshop (in school)
Thursday 16 th October 2025	Jodrell Bank – Fantastic Foxes

Thursday 16 th October 2025	Movie Night 3.10pm – 4.45pm £3
Thursday 23 rd October 2025	Harvest Festival at St Luke's Church/School 1.30pm
Friday, 24 th October 2025	School closes at 3.10 p.m. for Half Term
Monday, 27 th October 2025 to Friday, 31 st October 2025	Half Term
Monday, 3 rd November 2025	School Opens
Friday 7 th November 2025	Non-uniform for optional bottle or bar
Monday 10 th November 2025	Parental Meetings (invites sent out via compass)
Friday 14 th November 2025	Non-uniform for optional Christmas Hamper item
Thursday 27 th November 2025	Winter Disco 3.10-4.30pm All children.
Monday 1 st December 2025	Christmas Tree Service 9am (All parents are invited)
Friday 5 th December 2025	Christmas Fayre 3-4.30pm
Tuesday 9 th December 2025	EYFS/KS1 Nativity 1.30pm
Wednesday 10 th December 2025	EYFS/KS1 Nativity 5pm
Tuesday 16 th December 2025	Key Stage 2 Drama Club Nativity 1.30pm
Wednesday 17 th December 2025	Key Stage 2 Drama Club Nativity 5pm
Friday, 19 th December, 2025	School closes at 3.10 p.m. for Christmas
Monday 22 nd December 2025 to Friday, 2 nd January, 2026	Christmas Holidays
Monday, 5 th January, 2026	INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday, 6 th January, 2026	School opens
Thursday 15 th January 2026	Learning Leopards' Class Assembly 9am and 5pm and Cake Sale
Thursday 5 th February 2025	Young Voices in Manchester – choir club to start in the Autumn Term
Thursday 12 th February 2026	Fantastic Foxes' Class Assembly 9am and 5pm and Cake Sale
Friday, 13 th February 2026	School Closes at 3.10 p.m. for Half Term
Monday, 16 th February 2026 to Friday, 20 th February 2026	Half Term
Monday, 23 rd February 2026	School Opens
Thursday 5 th March 2026	World Book Day Celebrations
Thursday 12 th March 2026	Mothers' Dat crafts and cake 2.30pm
Friday 13 th March 2026	Non-uniform for an optional Easter Egg or chocolate bar
Monday 16 th March 2026	Parental Meetings (invites sent out via compass)
Thursday 19 th March 2026	Outstanding Owls' Class Assembly 9am and 5pm and Cake Sale
Thursday 19 th March 2026	Easter Egg Tombola in School
Friday 20 th March 2026	Odd Sock day – no donation needed World Down Syndrome Day
Thursday 26 th March 2025	Easter Service 1.30pm
Friday, 27 th March 2026	School closes at 3.10 p.m. for Easter Holidays
Monday, 30 th March 2026 to 10 th April 2026	Easter Holidays
Monday, 13 th April 2026	School opens
Thursday, 16 th April 2026	Photos - Class Groups, Leavers, Reception Individuals and Smylers Graduations
Thursday 22 nd April	Dazzling Dolphins' Class Assembly 9am and 5pm and Cake Sale

Thursday 30 th April	Performing Pandas' Class Assembly 9am and 5pm and Cake Sale
Monday 11 th May 2026	SATS week
Monday 18 th May 2026	Residential for Key Stage 2
Monday, 1st June 2026	INSET Day (school closed to pupils)
Tuesday, 2nd June 2026	School Opens
Tuesday 16 th June	Sports Day 9am
Thursday 18 th June	Busy Bees' Class Assembly 9am and 5pm and Cake Sale
Thursday 18 th June 2026	Fathers' Day cakes and crafts 2.15pm
Tuesday 23 rd June 2026	Reserved Sports Day 9am
Thursday 25 th June 2026	Tiny Tigers' Class Assembly 9am and 5pm and Cake Sale
Wednesday 8 th July 2026	Musical Celebration 1.30pm (All parents are welcome)
Thursday 9 th July 2026	Prom and Disco 3-4.30pm KS1 and 6-8pm for KS2
Friday 10 th July 2026	Reports out
Tuesday 14 th July 2026	1.30pm and 5pm Year 6 Play
Friday 17 th July 2026	Leavers' Assembly 1pm
Friday, 17 th July 2026	School closes for Summer Holidays
Monday, 20th July 2026	INSET Day (School closed to pupils)