



Friday 28th November

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)

Round up

A huge thank you to our brilliant PTFA, who are hard at work preparing for the Christmas Fair which is after school on the 5th December. If you're able to lend a hand—helping on the day or supporting preparations in the lead-up—please get in touch with the PTFA. Every penny raised by the PTFA goes straight back into supporting the children and enriching their school experience.

With the cold weather now truly here, please make sure children come to school wrapped up warmly. We've noticed a growing collection of coats and jumpers in lost property—if your child has misplaced something, do pop in and have a look. Thank you again for all your support.

Christmas Craziness

Monday 1 st December	Christmas Tree Service 9am (All parents are invited)
Friday 5 th December	Christmas Fayre 3-4.30pm
Friday 5 th December	Silverdale Switch on 6.30pm
Tuesday 9 th December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity 1.30pm https://forms.office.com/e/3QMsYFQiSt (just complete once please)
Wednesday 10 th December	Christmas Meal Children can come in Christmas jumpers or any non-uniform
Wednesday 10 th December	EYFS/KS1 Nativity 5pm https://forms.office.com/e/3QMsYFQiSt
Sunday 14 th December	Carols at Silverdale Methodist 6pm Silverdale Methodist Church – Fill in form
Tuesday 16 th December	Key Stage 2 Drama Club Nativity 1.30pm https://forms.office.com/e/B705R13k2M (just complete once please)
Wednesday 17 th December	Key Stage 2 Drama Club Nativity 5pm
Friday 19 th December	Carols at St Luke's 9.30am Children can come in Christmas jumpers or any non-uniform
Friday 19 th December	School closes at 3.10 p.m. for Christmas



Star of the Week

Tiny Tigers	Bobby
Busy Bees	Jaykae
Performing Pandas	Taylor
Dazzling Dolphins	Daisy
Outstanding Owls	Nancy
Fantastic Foxes	Abbey-Leigh
Learning Leopards	Skylar

Christian Value Certificate

Tiny Tigers	Max
Busy Bees	Darcie
Performing Pandas	Freddie
Dazzling Dolphins	Ryder
Outstanding Owls	Myla
Fantastic Foxes	Ryan
Learning Leopards	Elaina

Special Mentions

Robinson-Phillips Excellence in Kindness goes to: Emmy
Football: Charlie (LL) and Isabella
Mr Shenton's Sports Award: Vivien

Monday 1st December
Christmas Tree Service 9am

Thursday 4th December
Wreath Making in school 6pm

Friday 5th December
Christmas Fayre 3-4.30pm
Christmas light switch on in Silverdale 6.20pm

Attendance so far this year

Tiny Tigers	95%
Busy Bees	96%
Performing Pandas	89%
Dazzling Dolphins	90%
Outstanding Owls	80%
Fantastic Foxes	89%
Learning Leopards	84%

Dojo Points and this week's Task

This week's task is: Create a picture for an Advent Calendar

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 5th December

1,823

1,568

1,415

1,594

Severe Weather Guidance

If we are to close due to snow we will do three things.

1. We will text all of our parents through the Compass App and Class Dojo.
2. Put a notice on our school website
3. Inform the local authority that will add the school to their list of closures. Please follow the link by clicking on the link below.

We will always do our best to remain open - if we do close it will be for Health and Safety reasons. Thank you for your continuing support.

Makaton

Sign of the week

Each week we'll be sharing a new Makaton sign that the children are learning in school. You'll find the sign in this newsletter, along with a QR code if you'd like to see more information or practise at home. Please ask your child to show you the sign—they'll love teaching you what they've learned! What is Makaton? Makaton is a way of communicating that uses simple signs and symbols alongside speech. It helps children (and adults) to understand and express themselves, especially if they find language tricky. You may have seen Makaton being used on TV, in hospitals, or in other schools—it helps make communication more inclusive for everyone. By learning Makaton together, we're giving all our children an extra tool to support understanding, confidence, and inclusion.

This week's sign is... 'food'



Reception Tours

If you are starting to think about where you would like your child to begin their educational journey in September 2026, please contact the school office on (01782) 973865 and speak to Mrs Carpenter to arrange a tour. We look forward to welcoming you to our school.

Wreath-Making Event Information 🎄

Our wreath-making class will take place on **Thursday 4th December at 6:00pm.**

Hot chocolate and mince pies will be available to purchase on the evening. If you have any allergies, please let us know in advance so we can provide an alternative option.

The **cost of the class is £20**, which includes your wreath base and a selection of accessories. You'll have the opportunity to design and create your own beautiful wreath to take home and reuse year after year.

To secure your place, please email ptfa@st-lukes-silverdale.staffs.sch.uk with the following details:

- Your name
- Contact number
- Email address
- Number of places you wish to book
- Any allergies

Once we receive your information, we will send you the payment details and confirm your booking.

Thank you — we look forward to a festive and creative evening!



Easyfundraising

The easiest way to get behind St Luke's CE Primary School Silverdale is to sign up to easyfundraising! It's simple, shop with 8,000+ online retailers and we'll receive a free donation. This month only, with their Free £2 App-eal, if you register to support us via their app, we'll get a bonus £2! Please get the app now and use it for all your Black Friday and Christmas shopping. Thank you! https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/easyfundraising-app/?causeld=319022&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_content=app-eal-nov-fb1

Christmas Tree Service

Our Christmas Tree Service is a much-loved tradition in school, where every child creates their own festive decoration to hang on the tree during the service. As the children decorate the tree, we join together in singing Christmas songs and carols, marking the start of the Christmas season in a warm and joyful way. It is a wonderful opportunity for our school community to come together and share the magic of this special time of year. We look forward to welcoming you to the service on Monday 1st December at 9am.

Safeguarding corner

Every month we share an Online Newsletter about Safety Online. This month's newsletter, in this newsletter it includes:

- New Technology focus including Games/Consoles
- Setting up parental controls on Tablets/Smart Phones
- AI chatbots and companions
- Roblox
- Discord
- Signal Private Messenger

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British Values

Next week our focus will be:



How important is it to feel a sense of togetherness?



Mutual Respect and Tolerance

The Princess of Wales' carol service brings people together to share kindness and joy. When we show care, we help create togetherness. Respecting people of all ages, backgrounds, and beliefs helps our communities feel welcoming and connected.

In the news this week

On Friday, the Princess of Wales will host her annual carol service, which will bring people together to celebrate kindness, connection, and community. The event aims to show how love can link people of all ages, backgrounds, and beliefs, especially at times when the world can feel divided. It encourages everyone to think about the power of togetherness and the importance of supporting one another with compassion and joy.

Things to talk about at home ...

- Talk to someone at home – are they interested in this concert? Do you or they believe it will achieve its aim in bringing people together?
- Are there any services, concerts, or events that you will be attending during the festive period?
- Talk about what 'togetherness' means to you and your people at home.

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.

Autumn Term 2025

<https://forms.office.com/e/GNfP21baLU>

(Lichfield link - children who are in the choir already)

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

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

[Dazzling Dolphins - Liverpool Museum , Thursday 4th December](#)

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

[Outstanding Owls - Cadbury's World - Wednesday, 22nd October 2025](#)

Spring Term 2026

[Learning Leopards 22nd January WW2 Workshop](#)

[Tiny Tigers – Zoo 2 U – 26th January 2026](#)

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

[Outstanding Owls - Ancient Greek Workshop](#)

[- Thursday, 12th February 2026](#)

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	38
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: 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 meals w/c 08/12/2025 - [School Meals w/c 08/12/2025 \(Week 3\) - Christmas Dinner – Fill in form](#)

St Briavels Castle

Please find the form for the residential for May 2026. This is for all children in the Juniors.

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.

Important Dates	
Monday 1 st December 2025	Christmas Tree Service 9am (All parents/relatives/friends are invited)
Thursday 4 th December	Dazzling Dolphins trip to Liverpool Museum
Friday 5 th December 2025	Christmas Fayre 3-4.30pm
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Wednesday 17 th December 2025	Key Stage 2 Drama Club Nativity 5pm
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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
Thursday 15 th January 2026	Learning Leopards' Class Assembly 9am and 5pm and Cake Sale
Thursday, 22 nd January 2026	LL – WWII Workshop
Thursday 5 th February 2025	Young Voices in Manchester
Thursday, 12 th February 2026	OO – Ancient Greek Workshop
Thursday 12 th February 2026	Fantastic Foxes' Class Assembly 9am and 5pm and Cake Sale
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
Monday 2 nd March 2026	Mid year reports shared with parents
Thursday 5 th March 2026	World Book Day Celebrations
Thursday 12 th March 2026	Mothers' Day crafts and cake 2.30pm
Friday 13 th March 2026	Non-uniform for an optional Easter Egg or chocolate bar
Wednesday 18 th March	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 20th March 2026	Odd Sock day – no donation needed World Down Syndrome Day
Thursday 26 th March 2025	Easter Service 1.30pm
Friday, 27th March 2026	School closes at 3.10 p.m. for Easter Holidays
Monday, 30th March 2026 to 10th April 2026 Easter Holidays	
Monday, 13th April 2026	School opens
Thursday, 16 th April 2026	Photos - Class Groups, Leavers, Reception Individuals and Smlers 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
Wednesday, 10 th June, 2026	Performing Panadas – Great Fire of London Workshop
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)