



# St Luke's C E First School

26<sup>th</sup>  
September  
2025

## Dates for your Diary

### October

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> –  
Harvest Festival at  
the Bridge Church

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> – Wear  
yellow for mental  
health

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> –  
Year 4 Sporthall  
Athletics

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> – St  
Luke's Day

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> – flu  
Vaccinations /  
Parents Evening

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> –  
Individual School  
Photographs  
Parents Evening

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> –  
Tigers class to  
Bishops Wood

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Break  
up for Half Term

### November

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Back  
to School



**School Vision - In our St Luke's family, we recognise we are all God's children and through our caring and nurturing environment, we follow His word. We trust and rely on God's teaching so that we can encourage each other, develop our relationship with one another and the world, and flourish in all that we do.**

***'God's word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.'* (Psalm 119: 105)**

As you are aware, this week we have been inspected by SIAMS who spent the day in school monitoring our provision to ensure we are living up to our foundation as a Church of England school. Our inspector was charmed by our wonderful children, enjoyed visiting all of our classes to see our children at work and was wowed by our OPAL play provision. I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to our parents who came into school to speak to the inspector – we really value and appreciate your support! As soon as I receive the final report, this will be shared with our parents and carers.

It has been a typical busy week at St Luke's, with our children flourishing in their learning and in their play. How brilliant it has been to see sunshine for our OPAL play and to watch our Bears children exploring all we have offer on the filed such as the sandpit and our climbing frames.

### **Attendance:**

Our whole school attendance for the year to date is **97.68%**



Bears	Giraffes	Elephants	Tigers	Lions	Whole School
97.86%	97.0%	100%	98.4%	96.07%	97.86%

## Hello Yellow



On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October, we are asking our school community to wear something yellow in support of Hello Yellow for Mental Health. We ask that the children wear their usual school uniform for the day, with accessories of yellow.

The Young Minds charity recognise that right now, the world can be a tough place for children and young people to grow up in – and they are feeling the pressure. They want young people to know that they don't have to go through this alone. Things can get better.

During the day, all classes will complete activities to promote positive mental health in young people.

Also on 10<sup>th</sup> October, our PTA are hosting our first Macmillan Coffee Morning for parents/carers. We hope to see you coming into school from 9am to enjoy a drink and some cake, maybe get to know some other parents, and help us to raise money for this very worthy cause.

## Starting School in September 2026?

We are aware we have several siblings who will be due to start school in September 2026...we can't wait for you to join us! Don't forget to submit your applications by the deadline of **15<sup>th</sup> January 2026**. If you know of anyone who is due to start school next September, please spread the word for our school and encourage prospective parents to attend one of our open days which will be advertised soon.

For parents/carers of our Lions class, don't forget to submit your applications for middle school by **15<sup>th</sup> January 2026**.

A red poster for 'Starting School in September 2026?'. It features three photos of children in school uniforms. The text includes: 'WORCESTERSHIRE SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2026-27', 'Starting School in September 2026?', 'If you live in Worcestershire and Your child was born between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022. You need to apply for a school place by 15th January 2026. For more information and to apply, visit: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions. Visit your local library to use a computer and apply for free. Or call us on 01905 822 700. Find out more online: www.worcestershire.gov.uk/schooladmissions. worcestershire county council'.

## Work with Me Dates

A reminder of our 'work with me' dates for this term. We invite parents/carers into the classroom from 2.15pm – 3.15pm on the dates below to work alongside your children.

Giraffes – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October

Elephants – Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October

Tigers – Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October

Lions – Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October

Please remember, that due to space available to the need to focus on your child in school, we are unable to accommodate younger siblings at our work with me sessions. Thank you for your understanding.

## Languages Day

Today, school has been a sea of colour as we have celebrated languages day across all classes. Each class have been learning about their focus country and pupils who speak another language have had the opportunity to share this with their classmates!

Please see your child's Class Dojo page for more information about the activities each class has been enjoying!



## Harvest Festival

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October, all classes will be going to the Bridge Church for our Harvest Festival, and we warmly invite parents/carers and family members to join us from 9.15am. Each class will be performing a Harvest themed song to the congregation and we are asking for donations of non-perishable food items which we will then pass on to the local food bank. If you are able to spare an item or two for this collection, we would be very grateful.



## Autumn Term Parents' Evenings

Today, we will be sending links to make your parents evening appointment – please check your emails!

Our parents' evening dates are:

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 3:30pm – 6:30pm

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 3:30pm – 6:30pm

## Collective Worship

This week we have continued our new half termly theme, with our focus words being 'Follow Me'. This week's letter was 'L is for Laughter'. We shared the story of Miriam, who danced in celebration and with laughter when God helped Moses, to part the Red Sea, and a dry path appeared right through the middle of the water for everyone walked safely to the other side. Miriam's song was a celebration for the whole family of God—young and old, women and men, all dancing together. Here at St Luke's, we're reminded that we're part of a family here too—valued, loved, and included.

Our reflections this week have included:

*What can I thank God for today?*

*Is there something I can celebrate—with joy, like Miriam?*

*How can I help someone else flourish today?*

Mrs Broughton led a wellbeing collective worship. We discussed how well-being is feeling healthy in our bodies and minds. We reflected on ways we can look after our mental health and wellbeing, for example, being in nature, connecting with people, sleeping well, eating healthily.



At St Luke's we are family who care and nurture one another. We have Wellbeing Champions who are there to support children during lunchtime if they are feeling sad or lonely. Any pupil can receive support from a Wellbeing Champion by simply going up and speaking to them, or if they feel too nervous to do this, they can write their name and place it in the Wellbeing Champion box so they champions can find them at lunchtime and support them.

In our Celebration Worship we have said "congratulations" to children impressing their teachers by living out our school vision. I was delighted to hand out vision certificates to Taha (Bears), Zaiba (Giraffes), Hadiya (Elephants), Muhammad (Tigers) and Rayan (Lions).

**Lunchtime Award Winners: Kevin (Lions), Zayn (Lions)**

**Golden Welly: Xander (Giraffes)**

Well done to ALL CLASSES for receiving an attendance certificate of the week for attendance over 95% and huge congratulations to Elephants class for 100% attendance this week – wow!!



## St Luke's Stars of the Week

Each week in our celebration assembly, the teachers will be choosing a pupil to recognise for their excellent work and attitude to learning. Please see Class Dojo for pictures of our 'St Luke's Stars of the Week'. We are very proud of everyone for their hard work and achievements.



Bears: Faith for her determination and resilience in all areas of learning, especially with her phonics and literacy.

Giraffes: Leo for thinking carefully about the words he needs in his sentences

Elephants: Aiza for her brilliant maths work. Aiza has been using her knowledge of tens and ones to help her to compare and order numbers to 100.

Tigers: Arlo for perceptive and thoughtful ideas during RE.

Lions: Abhinav for his excellent explanation of what Trinity means to Christians in RE.



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# Should I keep my child off school?



## Yes

### Until...

Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19.
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

## No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



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### Advice and guidance

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://qrc0.de/minfec>.