



St Luke's C E First School

13th June
2025

Dates for your Diary

June

Monday 16th –
Work with Me
Giraffes @ 2:30pm

Tuesday 17th –
Giraffes Forest
School Session

Thursday 19th –
Sports Day Yrs 1-4

Friday 20th –
Sports Day -
Reception

Monday 23rd –
Work with Me
Tigers @ 2:30pm

Tuesday 24th –
Elephants Forest
School Session

Tuesday 24th –
visit to Animal
Pantry

Wednesday 25th –
Lions Class
Athletics Event @
Abbey Stadium

Friday 27th – Dare
to be Different day



HOPE



TRUST



JUSTICE



FORGIVENESS



HUMILITY



RESILIENCE

Our 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)

It has been a busy week of assessments in school this week, with our Year 1 children completing the phonics screening check and our Year 4 pupils showing their times table knowledge in the multiplication tables check. This has involved each child working independently to answer 25 quick fire times table questions, no easy feat! I am very impressed with how all the children have approached these assessments – they have given it their all, and haven't been phased by it at all. Well done everyone!

We have loved welcoming all the dads and male members of the family into school today for our PTA Father's Day event. We hope you enjoyed coming into school to spend time with your child. As always, a big 'thank you' to our PTA members who have given up their time to plan and lead these sessions.

The next few weeks continue to be really busy so please keep an eye on Class Dojo for updates and reminders.

Please ensure your child has a waterproof coat in school every day.

Attendance:

Our whole school attendance to date is **95.25%**



Bears	Giraffes	Elephants	Tigers	Lions	Whole School
94.33%	97.24%	98.4%	100%	98.97%	97.73%

Work with Me Elephants Class

Thank you to all the parents/carers who came to our Elephants class 'work with me' session this week. This was another great session and we really enjoyed welcoming you into school to work alongside your child to order the events of the space race! Thank you for coming – we hope you enjoyed it!

Elephants Forest School

This week, it was the Elephants' turn to explore forest school. The children played hide and seek, role played in the messy cafe, climbed trees, found mini beasts and much more! Thank you, Mrs Burling for leading a fantastic session!



Elephants Visit to Atwell Farm

What a busy week the Elephants have had...with an off site visit on Thursday to Atwell Farm. One of their activities was the bug barn! The children all came back full of ideas and knowledge from this visit and a great day was had by all!



Think of the Month

This month's think – Please feel free to discuss your ideas and responses at home! Here are a few more responses from this week -

Is it ever ok to cheat?

"No because if you cheat you will not learn." Hayden Tigers

"No, it's never ok to cheat and the answer might be wrong." Uzair, Elephants

"No, because you need to learn. You need to learn and if you cheat you won't get anywhere in life." Paisley, Lions



“No, it’s better to ask for help so that you can understand how to tackle things that you are finding difficult.” Mrs Larsen

Tigers Roman Visitor

On Wednesday, Tigers enjoyed a fantastic Roman experience day in school led by Humph Histories. The children acted out the story of Boudicca, learned about the historical timeline of our country, discussed the history of Romans, learned about their diets and food and created their own shields, which were later used in a battle re-enactment!

Thank you to our parents/carers for supporting us in providing this experience for the children. Days like this really bring the curriculum to life for the children. Both Steve, who was leading the session, and Mr Parker were amazed and really pleased with the knowledge the children have retained so far in their history learning, and I was extremely proud to hear Steve speak so positively about our wonderful children - he was quick to tell me what a great class they were! We know this, but it always lovely when the excellent behaviour and attitudes of our children are recognised by visitors. Well done Tigers!



Father's Day

Wow, what a wonderful Friday we have had celebrating all the dads and male members of the family. Our hall was full of smiles as our children worked alongside their family members, drawing and colouring and talking about all the special times you spend together. We couldn't have asked for a better turn out and we loved seeing so many of our wider community in school with us. Thank you for supporting this event and a big thank you to our PTA for organising it!



School Lunches

We have been informed by the Endeavour Schools Trust that the cost of school lunches will be increasing from 1st September 2025 to £2.60 per meal.

Dare to Be Different Day – Friday 27th June

Later this month, our PTA will be holding a 'Dare to be Different' day where, for a **£1 donation**, we invite all the children to come to school wearing clothes which they feel 'express themselves'. This is a twist on our 'break the rules day' which we held last year and has come to fruition from a suggestion from a Year 4 pupil to School Council to have a day where the children can come dressed in a way to describe yourself. On Friday 27th June, the children can come to school in their pjs, onesies, favourite fancy dress, football kit, comfiest clothes or wearing funky hair accessories, glitter etc...anything goes on 'Dare to be Different' day!



All the money raised from this event will go back to the children through our OPAL provision and resources, so please remember your £1 coins.

Collective Worship

This week we have started our new half termly theme, with our focus word being 'Disciple'. We have focussed on 'I is for involve God in your life.' We learnt about Pentecost, a special day when Jesus' followers received a powerful gift - God sent the Holy Spirit to help. We considered how the Holy Spirit gave the disciples confidence, knowing that God wanted to be involved in their lives every day and would never leave them.

This week's picture news question was:

What do animals need to be happy and healthy in zoos?



Rule of Law

Rules and laws help keep people and animals safe. When we create rules, we can think about the needs of others - especially those who might need more help or protection. Fair rules can make life better for everyone.

This relates to the news that zoos, aquariums and safari parks in Great Britain will soon have to follow new rules to help them take better care of animals. These rules say that animals must have bigger and better spaces to live in.

We considered how this links to our school vision, and thought about the importance of us looking after animals by being kind and nurturing towards them.

As part of our Picture News assembly, the children consider and reflect on the British Values. This week, they have been considering the British Value of rule of law.

Well done to Giraffes, Elephants and Lions classes who have received attendance certificate of the week for attendance over 95% - Brilliant!! And another HUGE well done to Tigers who have earned their **3rd** 100% attendance certificate this year – there will be a special reward for them next week!

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.



There has been no celebration worship this week due to our Father's Day events. We look forward to celebrating all our super stars next week!

