



St Luke's C E First School

5th June
2026

Dates for your Diary

June

Monday 8th –
Year 1 Phonics
Screening begins

Monday 8th –
New Reception
Intake Meeting
@ 5pm

Friday 12th –
Lions to visit
Redditch Library

Monday 15th –
KS2 Gorcott Hill
Forest School
Club (selected
pupils)

Tuesday 16th –
Lions Adopt a
Chef Session 3

Friday 19th –
Father's Day
Events



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:

Welcome back to summer 2!

We have had a great first week back and we have lots to look forward to in this final half term of the year. This week, our Year 4 children have started the statutory multiplication tables check and our Year 2 pupils have been completing their SATs papers. Next week Year 1 will be taking the phonics screening check. All results will be shared with parents/carers in your child's end of year report. I know the children will do themselves proud – they have all worked so hard across the year!

You will notice our attendance is lower than usual for us, with Monday being a particularly low attendance percentage. We have looked at some attendance figures for the whole year this week and there is a repeating pattern of lower attendance on the day before and the day after a holiday. We appreciate that some of this may be due to sickness, however we are also aware that due to rising holiday costs, it could be that additional days are taken around school holiday periods in order to help keep costs lower for families. If this is the case, please do let us know that this is the reason so we can code the registers accordingly. Thank you.



Attendance:

Your year to date attendance is: 96.86%

Bears	Giraffes	Elephants	Tigers	Lions	Whole School
96.33%	94.0%	98.67%	90.37%	98.21%	95.59%



Nut Free School

Please continue to remember that due to allergies, we are a nut free school! This means no nuts or products which contain nuts are to be brought into school. Thank you for your support with this.

Year 2 Visit to All Things Wild

Our Elephants class had a super day out at All Things Wild this week. They got to see lots of animals and even walk with the lemurs. They learnt lots about animal habitats, animal adaptations and what animals eat. A great time was had by all!



School Lunches

We are seeing an increasing amount of food not being eaten at lunch time. If you are ordering a hot meal from our caterers, please discuss the options with your child before ordering in order to ensure it is something they will want to eat. Thank you.

PTA World Cup Breakfast

Our summer term breakfast will be held on Friday 26th June – please see the poster on Class Dojo for more details. We will be selling tickets for this event from next week. On this day, we are inviting the children to come to school wearing their favourite football kit or the colours of their national football team!



Health Update

Schools have been asked to share the following information with parents/carers:

Cases of measles are rising in our area.

Here's some helpful advice from our Public Health colleagues on what you need to know.

- Measles spreads very easily. In some cases, it can make you very ill and lead to serious health problems if it spreads to other parts of the body, such as the lungs or brain.
- Check the list of symptoms below to know what to look out for. If you think you or your child may have measles or any of the symptoms, call your GP surgery or NHS 111 first, before turning up at a healthcare setting. This will help to stop the virus from spreading.
- Having the MMRV or MMR vaccine is the best way to prevent yourself from becoming very ill.

Ask at your GP surgery if you're not sure you or your child has had either of these vaccines. Your GP can vaccinate you for free on the NHS.

If any school aged children have missed their MMR vaccination or any vaccination given at school, parents can contact the Vaccination Team who will help arrange for the missed vaccinations to be given: 01905 390030.

For more information on the symptoms, vaccination, and what to do if you think you have measles or have come into contact with someone who has measles, please visit: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles/>

Think of the Month

Our June Think –

If we borrow every single book from the library, is it still a library?

Here are some more of our responses so far -

Yes, because you are borrowing books and not keeping them. Haaniya, Elephants

No because if there aren't any books you won't be able to read them. Yasmine, Elephants

No, a library needs books. Faith, Bears

No because if all the books have been borrowed, there will be no books to borrow. Ishanvi, Elephants

Yes, because people can donate more books that they don't want of grow out of. Mustafa, Tigers

It could still be a library – people can donate books. Alma, Bears



Collective Worship

This week we have started our new half termly theme, with our focus words being 'PARABLE. This week's letter was 'P is for Parable.' We thought about the following -

God's word has a purpose — how we respond shapes our growth.

God speaks to us with love and purpose, and that when we listen carefully and act upon His word, we can grow, flourish, and help others flourish too.



We shared the parable of the sower and considered how this parable is about how we receive God's word and how we live out his purpose for us.

Our reflections this week:

What kind of soil is my heart like today?

How can I be good soil this week?

How can I help others flourish?



In our Picture News this week, we learned about a project called Build Hope which reuses rubble from damaged buildings in Gaza to create new bricks to help rebuild their community. The project has won the The Earth Prize, a global environmental competition for young people.

The children linked this to our school vision by saying:

"They trusted and relied on God's teaching and showed resilience, because after their house was destroyed in the war they didn't give up and kept trying to do something good"

"They were caring and nurturing because they are trying to rebuild their community and help other people."

"The flourished in what they do because they kept trying and hoping to succeed and won the award."



Which British value do you think this week's story highlights?



The story highlights **Individual Liberty** because the sisters made the choice to use their talents to change the world for the better.

The story highlights **Democracy** because the public gets to vote for the Global Winner of The Earth Prize, showing people that everyone has an equal say and that every single vote counts.



Do you agree with either person, or think something different?

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 Theo M (Bears), Florence (Giraffes), Aiza (Elephants), Hunter (Tigers) and Muhammad (Lions).

Lunchtime Award Winners: Minsa and Tilly (Elephants)



Well done to Bears, Elephants and Lions for attendance over 95%!

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: Ahad- independence in Maths lessons and using mathematical vocabulary during carpet time.

Giraffes: Anaya for her super writing work applying letter features.

Elephants: Khizr for his brilliant list poem that he wrote before half term. He included descriptive language, commas to separate adjectives, interesting verbs and adverbs! Super poem Khizr, well done!

Tigers: Kristos for a fantastic effort in his reading lessons, showing determination and focus.

Lions: Habib for efficiently finding fractions of shape in Maths, including non-unit fractions where the denominator doesn't match the parts!

Please continue to send in certificates and awards from outside of school achievements so we can share them with the whole school community during our celebration worship.



UK Health
Security
Agency



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>.