



St Luke's C E First School

10th July
2026

Dates for your Diary

July

Monday 13th –
Giraffes Class
Australia Day

Tuesday 14th -
Whole School
Maths Day

Thursday 16th –
Rocksteady
Concert @10am

Thursday 16th –
Year 4 Leavers
Performance @
2pm followed by
Colour Run and
Picnic

Friday 17th –
Break up for
Summer
Holidays

September

Wednesday 2nd –
School Re-opens
to pupils



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.

We have thoroughly enjoyed transition days this week! Each class has moved up for 2 days to work with their new class teachers, and everyone has worked so hard, showing their new adults how amazing they are!

A reminder of staffing for September:

Bears – Mrs Hirons-Reed & Mrs Burling

Giraffes – Mrs Broughton, Mrs Elmes and Miss Grubb

Elephants – Miss Gibbons & Mrs Griffiths

Tigers- Mrs Smith and Miss Courtney – Miss Courtney is getting married in the summer holidays so we will be welcoming her back as Mrs Fleeman

Lions – Mr Parker & Mrs Ishaq

1:1 TAs will move up with their children.

Please remember to send back your report response form – THANK YOU!

September 2026:

Looking ahead to September 2026, we have a training day for staff on Tuesday 1st September.

School re-opens to pupils on **Wednesday 2nd September.**

Please ensure you have returned from any trips abroad by this date to enable your child to have the best start to their school year. Pupils who miss the first few days of school can find it more difficult to settle back into routines. Thank you.



Attendance:

Our year to date attendance is: **97.18%**

Bears	Giraffes	Elephants	Tigers	Lions	Whole School
96.67%	96.55%	94.48%	98.51%	96.43%	96.5%

This week we have again faced high temperatures and everyone was done brilliantly in these less than comfortable conditions. The children have been as amazing as always, and many thanks to the staff for keeping everything running smoothly and calmly, even in the heat!



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.

Sports Day

What a wonderful sports day we had! Each class gave it their all and everyone should be so proud of their achievements. From sprints, to the egg and spoon and the hurdles, each event was full of fun and enthusiasm. All the children were encouraging each other on and there was such a good atmosphere, with all our family spectators joining in too – thank you for your support!



Bears Class Storytelling Day

Our youngest children have enjoyed a special 'story telling day' this week. They looked absolutely wonderful coming into school dressed as their favourite book characters and bringing in their props and outfits to share their favourite tales. It was lovely to see the children's excitement and enthusiasm as they shared their stories with each other. The creativity and effort that went into their costumes and props was fantastic, and it really brought our love of books and stories to life. The children had a brilliant day celebrating stories – thank you for your support.



Wellbeing Day

Well-Being Day has been a great success today!

The children have been enjoying singing, board games, puzzles, water play, den building, arts and crafts, yoga, pebble painting, and our school adventure trail.

We have seen smiles, heard laughs, seen children socialising and communicating, great team work and many more things that are all great for our well being!

Please see Class Dojo for lots more photos!



Key Stage 2 Swimming Gala

A huge well done to our swimmers who represented us at the swimming gala today – you were all amazing!!

Everyone tried their very best and took part in their races enthusiastically – we are very proud of you all!



Collective Worship

This week we have continued our new half termly theme, with our focus words being 'PARABLE. This week's letter was 'L is for Love.' We shared the parable of The Prodigal Son and thought about the following –

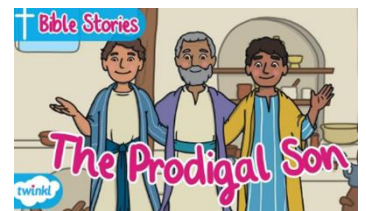
The father didn't make his son earn his love.

He ran to meet him.

He forgave him.

He celebrated because his son had come home.

Explain that Jesus told this story to show us what God is like.



We linked this to our school vision:

At St Luke's we believe every person is loved by God.

Our school vision reminds us that we are all God's children. Because of this, we choose to create a caring and nurturing environment where everyone feels welcomed, valued and forgiven.

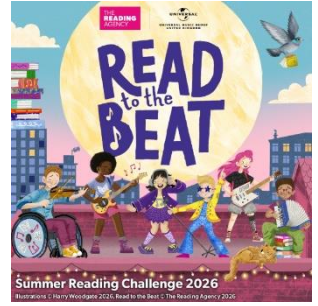
When we follow God's word, we learn how to: **love one another, forgive others, encourage those who are struggling, rebuild friendships, help everyone flourish**

Library Summer Reading Challenge

A reminder about this year's Summer Reading Challenge, "Read to the Beat." The theme encourages children to explore the connection between stories and music, and how both inspire imagination and creativity.

The challenge is completely free, and children can sign up online at <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/join-in> or at their local library. It runs from 20th June to 30th September, so there's plenty of time to take part.

There is also a friendly competition between local Redditch schools to see who can get the most participants—so it would be fantastic to see St Luke's on the leader board!



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 Jerome, Lottie & Tayshawn (Bears), Grayson (Giraffes), Ahad & Aleiza (Elephants), Kiswa & Kristos (Tigers) and Jacob, Oswin, Louie & Rehman (Lions).

Lunchtime Award Winners:

Nevaeh (Giraffes) and Hafsa (Tigers)

Golden Welly Winner: Oliwer (Elephants)

Well done to Bears, Giraffes, Tigers 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: Finley for being a valued member of our St Luke's family and develop relationships with his friends independently during discovery time.

Giraffes: Denis and Florence for brilliant teamwork and working together to find facts about minibeasts

Elephants: Gentian for having the confidence to join in with larger group activities such as doing PE and dough disco with Bears class. We are very proud of him!

Tigers: Ismail for super maths and work and Iyla for a super story re-tell!

Lions: Blake for super work telling the time on an analogue clock.

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
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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://qrco.de/minfec>.