



St Luke's Park Newsletter (20) 27.02.2026

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear SLP Families,

Writing Expectations

We have added writing assessment documents to the class pages on our website for year 1-5. You may wish to have a look at this if you are looking for ways to support your child at home and would like to be clearer on the skills that are developed though each year group at school.

Yr6 Residential

I can hardly believe that we are in the position of booking our first residential trip! A huge thank you to the parents of the year 5 class for returning your reply slips so promptly so we can reserve our spaces at the PGL camp we have chosen.

Year 4 Swimming

Letters will be coming out shortly to year 4 parents regarding swimming lessons. Please bear in mind that children will need items for swimming after the Easter holidays so you do have some time to look for a new costume if your child has had a recent growth spurt!

Reading at Home

I have been looking in on teachers' records of home reading this week, especially in Key Stage One and Early Years. It will not surprise you to know that those children who read daily at home are more confident with their learning at school. This practise really helps them to consolidate new skills. Please read daily with your children at home and sign their reading records.

Next week we will enter our READATHON week which is a great 'kick start' to daily reading routines if this is something you have found difficult to establish before. Children are encouraged to read as often as they can to collect points (and prizes!) for their class.

There is a fundraising element to this as well – please see the PTFA section further in the newsletter.

Ms Kendall-Hobbs

Headteacher

Reminder:

All absences need to be reported each day before 9am by phoning the main school number or emailing admin@stlukespark.essex.sch.uk

If you have arranged for somebody else to collect your child, please ensure that you tell your class teacher or inform the main office who will pass the message on.

Good attendance and punctuality are key to ensuring children access the best education they deserve. **Please be aware that as a school we are obliged to follow rules on monitoring and reporting on attendance from government.**

We use a letter format from Essex County Council in order to meet our obligations in this area.

Please get in touch if we can do anything to support you in improving your child's attendance. If we invite you in for a meeting, please see this as an opportunity to access help and support from us if you need it.

Stars of the Week



This Week's Winners:

Little Owls – Luna for individuality & Wynter-Rose for resilience

Squirrels – Rudy for individuality & Coby for compassion

Hedgehogs – Ted for resilience & Jessica for courage

Badgers – Elliot B for creativity & Sadie for collaboration

Foxes – Emmanuel & Poppy O for creativity

Woodpeckers – Rose, Harley, Elora & Amelie S for individuality

Well done for setting such a good example with your kind and positive choices 😊

Certificates are awarded in line with our school values for:

Individuality

I am unique and special: nobody is exactly like me

Respect

I accept that people's thoughts, feelings and rights are important

Resilience

I recover quickly from difficulties because I believe in myself

Responsibility

I know I must make good choices and do my job

Courage

I am brave enough to do the right thing

Compassion

I care about those who are suffering

Collaboration

I work as part of a team to achieve the best results

Creativity

I use my imagination and have original ideas

Spring Term - Dates for your diary

Wb 2 nd March	'Readathon Week' Classes compete to see which class can get the most reading stars for the number of times they have read in a week. PTFA supported event. Sponsorship links available (this fundraising event supports the provision of a visiting author/performer each year in school)
6 th March	World Book Day Dress up – Please come in dressed as a character from a book. 'The Great Character Hunt' visiting story teller in school.
10 th March	'Wonder woman' Mothers' Day sale for children. Bring in £ to purchase small gifts for the important woman in your life. PTFA event
13 th March	Year 5 Trip to The Science Museum
16 th March	NO KARATE CLUB
18 th March	Poetry recital to parents, year 3 and 5 only . Two shows, 9am and 2.30pm in the hall. Ticketed event.
20 th March	KS1 and EYFS poetry recital to parents. Two shows, 9am and 2.30pm in the hall. Ticketed event.
Wb 23rd March	No teacher-led clubs due to parents' evening
23 rd March and 24 th March	Bikeability -Group 1 – Bike and helmet required in school
23 rd March	Year 4 show (with Year 3 in the Chorus) Parents invited 9am in hall
23 rd March	Parents' evening 3.30-6.30
25 th and 26 th March	Bikeability -Group 2 – Bike and helmet required in school
26 th March	Year 4 show (with Year 3 in the Chorus) Parents invited - 9am in hall
26 th March	Parents' Evening 3.30-6.30
27 th March	PTFA Easter egg hunt 2pm
30 th March – 10 th April	Easter Holidays
13 th April	Return to school
4 th May	Bank Holiday
25 th May – 29 th May	Half Term
1 st June	Return to school

The 2 Johns Internet safety for Parents

For anyone who missed the 2 Johns online safety video for parents please use the below link to watch the recording. This has some really helpful tips on how to keep children safe while navigating online activities, gaming platforms and social media.

https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/6k2tHKB7ivEtL0Rn6v-izdyZA_fP2_JpBalhG1ZtSNe19BJy41XsDR7ojg0QvUd8.LmEIJmTVpnO8BKoI



St Luke's Park Primary PTFA
want to celebrate your

Wonderful Women

Tuesday 10 March

£4 PER CHILD

PUPILS CAN SELECT A GIFT FOR ONE OF THE WONDERFUL WOMEN IN THEIR LIVES FROM OUR ST LUKE'S PARK PRIMARY PTFA GIFT SHOP DURING SCHOOL HOURS

PLEASE BRING CASH IN A NAMED ENVELOPE / WALLET



ST TUITION



THURSDAY AFTERSCHOOL

Get ahead for SATs and build confidence and enjoyment with ST Tuition. Small group sessions with personalised learning.

SESSIONS AVAILABLE

- English - Years 3 and 4
3:15pm - 4:15pm
- English - Year 5
4:20pm - 5:20pm
- Maths - Year 5
5:25pm - 6:25pm

**STARTING
8TH JANUARY**

**£20 PER CHILD
PER SESSION**

*Sibling and multiple
booking discount
available.*

Taught by a qualified teacher.

Contact Simon on:

07969 346597



PTFA News

Update from your PTFA Committee

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Our annual reading challenge starts this Sunday (1 March) and will run until Thursday 5th March. Please get sponsoring to help the children stay motivated.

Squirrels is currently leading the donations with £300 raised, followed by Little Owls on £167.

In response to feedback we received last year, we have created a separate fundraising link per class to make it easier for you to share with friends and family. No sign up required.

Little owls: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/littleowls-sponsored-readathon-2026>

Squirrels: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/squirrels-sponsored-readathon-2026>

Hedgehogs: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/hedgehogs-sponsored-readathon-2026>

Woodpeckers: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/woodpeckers-sponsored-readathon-2026>

Foxes: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/foxes-sponsored-readathon-2026>

Badgers: <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/badgers-sponsored-readathon-2026>

These pages are now live and will be open for donations until the 8th March 2026.

Don't forget to follow us on Instagram

https://www.instagram.com/st_lukes_park_primary_ptfa?igsh=bHBleHZubDJ1ejYw

and Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1DuiEYkUY8/?mibextid=wwXlfr>

Your 25/26 Committee - Liz, Kirsty, Nicola, Claudia, Sam, Bessie, Kayleigh and Sophie

Dinners – Week 2 commencing 2nd March 2026

*Please note menu change; meals for Tuesday & Wednesday
have been swapped around!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	Margherita Pizza	Local Butcher's Roast Gammon	Homemade Chicken Fajita (Chicken in mild tomato sauce with onion and peppers served in a wrap)	Pasta Beef Bolognese	Bird's Eye Omega 3 Fish Fingers
Veg	BBQ Pizza	Herby Quorn Fillet	Quorn Fajita (Quorn pieces in mild tomato sauce with onion and peppers served in a wrap)	Cheese & Leek Pasta	Crispy Quorn Dippers
On the Side	Pasta Sweetcorn	Basmati rice Broccoli	Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Peas & Carrots Gravy	Pasta Sweetcorn & Peppers Garlic bread	Chips Baked Beans
Dessert	Homemade Apple Crumble and Custard	Shortbread	Fresh Fruit	Homemade Sponge	Fruit Platter

Available daily – Salad Cart, Mixed Yoghurt, Fresh Fruit and Water
(v) Vegetarian (ve) Vegan, (GF) Gluten Free



SCHOOL CLUBS AT ST. LUKE'S PARK



FOOTBALL - YEARS 1 - 5

TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL

DANCE - YEARS 1 - 5

WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL



DANCE WILL START FROM THE 11TH MARCH THIS HALF TERM.



MULTISKILLS - YEARS 1 - 5

THURSDAY AFTER SCHOOL



For half termly costs and start/finish times, please visit our website.

Book online: www.essexkidscamp.co.uk/activities

Email: info@essexkidscamp.co.uk





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HOLIDAY ACTIVITY CLUBS



Easter Half Term



Abacus School, Tresco Way, Wickford, SS12 9GJ

For children from reception to year 6

Week 1



Monday 30th March - Pic n Mix Monday
Easter themed crafts and activities, including brick building and a themed movie afternoon with popcorn. Children can bring scooters for some outside fun.



Tuesday 31st March - Bunny Bounce Day - Gymnastics
Lets get bouncing with coach Nina on the Gymnastics equipment and then on our fun Easter equipment, lots of bunny themed crafts and activities.



Wednesday 1st April - Fun on the Farm - Real farm animals
Once again we are joined by the brilliant Gemmas Farm who will be bringing a range of spring animals for children to hold and interact with. An amazing themed day with crafts and activities that will book up fast! Hope to see you there.



Thursday 2nd April - Easter Fun Day - Bunny visit
All things Easter! Make chocolate treats, lots of Crafting and a visit from the Easter Bunny to lead our Fun annual Egg Hunt!



Week 2



Tuesday 7th April - Under the Sea
Under the Sea - Always a favourite theme with sand art, under water 3D scenes and bubble fun.



Wednesday 8th April - Inflatable Fun day
Join us for a day of inflatable fun. Whatever the weather we will have a fun day jumping around and crafting too, a firm favourite that gets booked up!



Thursday 9th April - Spring Fairy Gardens and Netball
A day long project of creating a beautiful spring fairy garden to take home with gardening tips and outside fun with Netball coach Jo.



Friday 10th April - Pic n Mix Easter
Last session of the Easter Holidays where we will have a great choice of crafts and activities on offer as we wrap up the Easter sessions, Movie afternoon and Children can bring scooters for some outside fun too.



9am to 3pm - £24. 8.30am to 4pm - £30. Hot lunch option available each day for £3.50. Details on the booking form.

To book text or email 07929 044959
craftykatie10@gmail.com to request a booking link.
Ofsted registration number 2852869 Payment options include tax free childcare account



LOST PROPERTY!

We have a number of items in lost property which have remained unclaimed. We will be including photographs of some of these in our weekly newsletters. If you recognise any of these items, or you wish to look in our lost property box for any missing belongings, please speak to the school office.

Thank you.

