

## Message from the Headteacher

Dear SLP Families,

What lovely sunshine – just in time for half term!

### **Science Fair**

Thank you to all those who were able to come along to our science fair this afternoon. You all coped superbly with the heat and children loved sharing their experiments with you. A huge 'Thank You' to the staff team for putting this together, co-ordinated by the marvellous Mrs Feagan!



### **Playground Birds**

Our lovely pied wagtail chicks have flown the nest. It really has been lovely to see nesting birds within our benches on the playground – what a great location for them to be safe and secure. Fingers crossed for more nests into the future.

### **Sun Safety**

As it heats up, we need to remind children of the importance of sun safety. There is a video here with some information which explains why sun protection is important.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DzuyD-1fCo4>

Please ensure you put sunscreen on your child in the morning before they come to school – they can bring some in to top up at lunchtime, all bottles need a clear label please.

Please use the half term to help your child practise putting sunscreen on themselves so that they can do this confidently when they return.

Have a wonderful break everyone,

Ms Kendall-Hobbs

## Reminder:

All absences need to be reported each day before 9am by phoning the main school number or emailing [admin@stlukespark.essex.sch.uk](mailto: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 – Ronnie and Rose for compassion

Squirrels – Lola for respect and Britney for individuality

Hedgehogs – Isabelle for collaboration and Harry for Responsibility

Badgers – Eliot for creativity and George for resilience

Foxes – Henry and Isabelle for respect

Woodpeckers – Rosie for creativity and Fletcher for resilience

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*

# Summer Term -

## Dates for your diary

### \*Sports Fixture Dates to Follow\*

\*Text in red = Induction programme for Reception class intake  
September 2026

22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Science Fair 2pm – Parents invited to share in science learning
25 <sup>th</sup> May – 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term
1 <sup>st</sup> June	Return to school
10 <sup>th</sup> June	Little Owls EYFS Sports Day – Meadgate Primary School
12 <sup>th</sup> June	EYFS – Maldon Promenade
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Marvellous Men Our PTFA Marvellous Men stall will be open on Tuesday 16 June for the children to purchase a gift for one of the marvellous men in their lives. Please put £4 in a named envelope for that day. Correct money only, no change will be given. Money raised goes towards the PTFA pot.
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year One Trip to Call of The Wild
17 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Mini Olympics – Wickford Town Football Club
Week beginning 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	KS2 Academy Sports this week
Week beginning 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	Arts Week
25 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Parents only event 5:30 – 6:30pm. Please come to the main reception office to be signed in</b>  Parents/carers welcome talk & distribution of new starter packs.
26 <sup>th</sup> June	PTFA Summer Event Family magic evening with Magic Max
29 <sup>th</sup> June	3.20pm Art Gallery – Showcase to Parents to view arts week creations
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	<b>Family event. New intake children, parents &amp; siblings 3:30 – 4:30pm. Playground or hall depending on weather. Please enter via the main building</b>  A ‘teddy bears’ picnic for our new intake families to get to know us & each other. Please bring a teddy bear, a picnic rug & a few snacks for you & your child/ren for this informal gathering. (Please ensure that snacks do not contain nuts)  Please enter via the main office so that we can sign you in.
3 <sup>rd</sup> July	Year 5 visit to Bromfords – taster day
8 <sup>th</sup> July	EYFS/KY1 sports day 9am start
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 3 Festival – Wickford Primary School
8 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 5 visit to Beauchamps – taster day
9 <sup>th</sup> July	<b>Children Only Event. Children with surnames starting A – L 2:00 – 3:00pm. EYFS Classroom. Please come to the reception</b>

	<p><b>playground via the main gate on the front playground to drop off your child.</b></p> <p>An afternoon 'Stay &amp; Play' visit for children only, half the class at a time</p>
9 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Sports Day 9am start
9 <sup>th</sup> July	QMAT Athletics Great Baddow High School – PM – KS2 selected pupils
15/16 <sup>th</sup>	Reserve Sports Day for Ks1 15 <sup>th</sup> and KS2 16 <sup>th</sup>
16 <sup>th</sup> July	<p><b>Children Only Event. Children with surnames starting M – Z 2:00 – 3:00pm. EYFS Classroom. Please come to the reception playground via the main gate on the front playground to drop off your child.</b></p> <p>An afternoon 'Stay &amp; Play' visit for children only, half the class at a time</p>
17 <sup>th</sup> July	Last Day of Term for Pupils / SPLASH RUN event in the afternoon
20 <sup>th</sup> July	INSET Day
3 <sup>rd</sup> September	<p><b>Half the class for half the day. Morning session 9:30 – 11.30am. Please come to the EYFS gate to drop off your children for a 2 hour session. Collect from the same location afterwards.</b></p> <p>Children with surnames starting A - L</p>
3 <sup>rd</sup> September	<p><b>Half the class for half the day. Afternoon session 1:05 – 3:05pm. Please come to the EYFS gate to drop off your children for a 2 hour session. Collect from the same location afterwards.</b></p> <p>Children with surnames starting M - Z</p>
4 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>All of the class for a shorter day including lunch. 9:30am – 1:30pm. Please come to the EYFS gate to drop off &amp; collect.</b>
7 <sup>th</sup> September onwards	<p><b>Full time for all children. Please drop off at the EYFS gate between 8:30 &amp; 8:40am. Late arrivals must enter via the office. The school day ends at 3:05 for reception children.</b></p> <p>Please speak to us if you feel that your child/ren would benefit from a longer transition into school &amp; we can discuss ways to accommodate this</p>

## **PTFA News**

### **Update from your PTFA Committee**

Please see the attached newsletter for our end of term summary.

Tickets for our PTFA Family Magic evening with 'Magic Max' on Friday 26th June are on sale now!

Gates open from 17:30 to 19:30. Show 18:00-19:00 on the school field - bring your own blanket. Tickets are £5 per person 3 years +. Kids 0-2 go free. There's an additional charge per ticket of 5% + 15p ticket for our ticket and platform costs. The PTFA bar will be open to buy snacks and drinks. Jones Pizza will also be on site selling fresh pizza. This event is open to the pupils of St Luke's Park Primary and their families only. For more info and to book visit <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/GLDR>

Have a great week off!

Don't forget to follow us on Instagram

[https://www.instagram.com/st\\_lukes\\_park\\_primary\\_ptfa?igsh=bHBleHZubDJ1ejYw](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



CELEBRATING OUR



# MARVELLOUS MEN



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

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JUNE

**16**

£4 PER CHILD

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PLEASE BRING CASH IN A NAMED ENVELOPE

## Dinners – Week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026



### St Luke's Park Primary School Autumn Term April 2026-October 2026 Week One



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Main</b>	Pepperoni Pizza	<b>*NEW*</b> Homemade Breaded Chicken with Katsu Curry Sauce	Local Butcher's Roast Chicken Fillet	<b>*NEW*</b> Beef Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	<b>*NEW*</b> Fish Bites
<b>Vegetarian</b>	Cheese & Tomato pizza (v)	Macaroni Cheese (v)	Roasted Quorn Fillet (v)	Mediterranean Pasta (v)	Vegetable nuggets (v)
<b>On the Side</b>	Pasta (v) Sweetcorn (ve)	Basmati rice (ve) Broccoli (ve) Naan Bread (v)	Roast Potatoes (ve) Carrots (ve) Cauliflower (ve) Gravy (optional)	Pasta (v) Green Beans (ve) Baguette (v)	Oven Baked Chips(v) Baked Beans (ve)
<b>KS2 Baguette</b>	Choice of filling	Choice of filling	Choice of filling	Choice of filling	Choice of filling
<b>Dessert</b>	Peaches and Cream (v)	School's Favourite Cookie (v)	Fresh Fruit (ve)	Strawberry Cloud Cheesecake (v)	Ice Cream Tub (v)

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

**Week 1 Menu Dates:** 13/4, 5/5, 1/6, 22/6, 13/7

## 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  
8<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY**

**£20 PER CHILD  
PER SESSION**

Sibling and multiple  
booking discount  
available.

Taught by a qualified teacher.

Contact Simon on:

**07969 346597**

## Community Libraries Design a Bookmark Competition

We are delighted to announce the launch of a new competition aimed at younger residents of the Chelmsford district.

We're inviting Chelmsford's young people to design our next official bookmark as part of our **2026 Bookmark Design Competition**.

The competition is in celebration of the recent Community Book Boxes, which will continue to grow across Chelmsford's Parks, and in the lead up to this year's [Essex Book Festival](#).

There are currently book boxes at Central Park and John Shennan Field LNR, with more coming to Oaklands Park, Saltcoats Park and Tower Gardens later this year.

The competition has three age categories: Under 7 years

- 7–11 years
- 12 years and over

Prizes include book tokens and sketch pads, and the overall winner will have design printed and shared across our community book box network.

The competition opens Monday 11 May till Midnight Monday 15 June. More information and the entry form can be found here: [Design a Bookmark for Our Community Libraries! - Love Your Chelmsford](#)

Entrants can submit their forms to [corporate.marketing@chelmsford.gov.uk](mailto:corporate.marketing@chelmsford.gov.uk) or collect/drop off paper copies at Central Library Chelmsford (Essex Libraries).