

Message from the Headteacher

Dear SLP Families,

Welcome back to one of the busier half terms of the year! We have trips, sports events and new intake events coming up – and hopefully all in the lovely weather.

Congratulations to Mr Loughnane

Firstly, there is some lovely news to share – Mr Loughnane and his wife have shared a picture of their lovely baby daughter, Freya, who was born just before the half term break. Mr Loughnane is enjoying these early weeks with his wife and new baby and getting very good at nappy changes!



Secondary School Transition

Our local secondaries are running events for year 5s this half term. Transition to secondary is given high priority in the Wickford area and there is a 'drop in' session for any parents wanting some advice or support in making applications to secondary school. This is on 14th July and there is a poster on the end of this newsletter with all the information.

Squishies and Squashies

Please do NOT send your child to school with any items containing liquid or gel. When these items burst, they impact on the learning of others because school adults are then needed to help clean up unnecessary mess. If these items do come in they will be removed to the office. Parents will need to collect them at the end of the day, in person, from the office.

Breakfast

A number of children are arriving to school carrying their breakfast with them. Please do not do this. Children need to eat their breakfast at home before they leave for school.

Rocksteady Music

We get such amazing recommendations from our parent community – and this is another that has come our way this term. Rocksteady Music are coming in to do an assembly for us on Monday 15th June and following this, there will be the opportunity to sign up for music lessons. Rocksteady teach in groups organised as bands and is paid for by parents (as lessons through Essex Music Service are). Information will follow.

Park Run

One of our fantastic year 5 prefects, Amelia, is passionate about sport and getting others to enjoy sports too. She had a brilliant idea to invite children to join her on her regular Park Run. We are working on finding a good date for this, but in the meantime perhaps you might like to sign up in preparation – or even go and take part before we organise a group gathering. Sign up here: <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/lakemeadows-juniors/>

Have a good weekend 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

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 – Aria-Rose for collaboration and Roman for resilience

Squirrels – Leo for collaboration and Arkie for creativity

Hedgehogs – Oliver for individuality and Penelope AB and Ted L for responsibility

Badgers – Max, Jimmy, Ella and Rupert for creativity

Foxes – Edwin for courage and David for responsibility

Woodpeckers – Amelie for independence and the whole class 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

10 th June	Little Owls EYFS Sports Day – Meadgate Primary School
12 th June	EYFS – Maldon Promenade
15 th June	Rock Band Assembly and workshops in school
16 th 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 th June	Year One Trip to Call of The Wild
17 th June	Year 2 Mini Olympics – Wickford Town Football Club
Week beginning 22 nd June	KS2 Academy Sports this week
Week beginning 22 nd June	Arts Week
25 th June	Parents only event 5:30 – 6:30pm. Please come to the main reception office to be signed in Parents/carers welcome talk & distribution of new starter packs.
26 th June	PTFA Summer Event Family magic evening with Magic Max
29 th June	3.20pm Art Gallery – Showcase to Parents to view arts week creations
2 nd July	Family event. New intake children, parents & siblings 3:30 – 4:30pm. Playground or hall depending on weather. Please enter via the main building 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 rd July	Year 5 visit to Bromfords – taster day
6 th July	9.00am – Music concert for children who play piano and guitar with Essex Music services in school
8 th July	EYFS/KY1 sports day 9am start
8 th July	Year 3 Festival – Wickford Primary School
8 th July	Year 5 visit to Beauchamps – taster day
9 th July	Children Only Event. Children with surnames starting A – L 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. An afternoon 'Stay & Play' visit for children only, half the class at a time
9 th July	KS2 Sports Day 9am start
9 th July	QMAT Athletics Great Baddow High School – PM – KS2 selected pupils
15/16 th	Reserve Sports Day for Ks1 15 th and KS2 16 th
16 th July	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. An afternoon 'Stay & Play' visit for children only, half the class at a time
17 th July	Last Day of Term for Pupils / SPLASH RUN event in the afternoon
20 th July	INSET Day
3 rd September	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. Children with surnames starting A - L
3 rd September	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. Children with surnames starting M - Z
4 th September	All of the class for a shorter day including lunch. 9:30am – 1:30pm. Please come to the EYFS gate to drop off & collect.
7 th September onwards	Full time for all children. Please drop off at the EYFS gate between 8:30 & 8:40am. Late arrivals must enter via the office. The school day ends at 3:05 for reception children. Please speak to us if you feel that your child/ren would benefit from a longer transition into school & we can discuss ways to accommodate this



ST LUKE'S PARK PRIMARY PTFA

WORLD CUP

2026





ACCESSORY DAY!

THURSDAY 11TH JUNE

COME TO SCHOOL WEARING AN ACCESSORY
IN THE **COLOUR** OF THE COUNTRY
YOU ARE SUPPORTING!



HAIRBANDS



CAPS



SWEATBANDS



SOCKS

★ DONATION

£1

TO THE PTFA

PLEASE DONATE **£1**
AND HELP US SUPPORT
OUR SCHOOL & FUTURE
EVENTS!



DONATE AN ITEM
IN **YOUR TEAM COLOUR**

Help us create a
RAINBOW HAMPER
that will be raffled at our
FAMILY MAGIC SHOW
on **26TH JUNE!**



THANK YOU!



**LET'S SHOW OUR
TEAM SPIRIT!**
WEAR IT WITH PRIDE!



ALL PROCEEDS
SUPPORTING:



Monday 6th July – Music concert

Parents are warmly invited to watch your children perform at a music concert being held in school on Monday 6th July.

If your child has guitar or keyboard lessons in school with Essex Music Teachers please come along and watch your child in this special music show at 9.00am

Hi everyone,

Thriving, Not Just Surviving is a practical and compassionate webinar designed for parents, carers and professionals supporting neurodivergent children and young people.

We'll explore key challenges families often face — including sleep, toileting, regulation, emotional-based school avoidance and burnout — and share realistic strategies you can begin using straight away. This session blends lived experience with specialist knowledge from our Autism & ADHD team, continence specialist, and sleep consultancy, offering reassurance, clarity and tools to help you feel more confident in day-to-day support.

Early bird tickets are now live at £10 per person until 4th June, and a recording will be sent afterwards to everyone who registers, so you won't miss anything even if you can't attend live.

You can book your place here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WUbUK1jGQgCjGkPrr2KyzQ

We'd love to have you with us.

Kind Regards

Abigail Clements

Personal Assistant To Annie Clements (Hon DUniv)

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PTFA News

Update from your PTFA Committee

Welcome back everyone! We have some very exciting plans for this half term, kicking off with our first World Cup accessory day next week!

World Cup Accessory Day | Thursday 11th June

Celebrate the start of the World Cup by coming to school in usual school uniform wearing an accessory in the colour or theme of the Country you'll be supporting!

Socks, tights, caps, hair accessories, sweatbands etc!

We kindly ask for a £1 donation to the PTFA which will go towards the Multipurpose Outdoor Classroom Project. You can donate using this link <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/donation/world-cup-accessory-day> or cash can be given on the day!

We're also looking for donations for our Rainbow Hamper which will be in the raffle for the PTFA Family Event on 26 June. If you are able please donate an item in your team's colour and hand in to the school office.

Dates for your diary

- 16 June | Marvellous Men sale during school hours
- 17 June | Thank a teacher day. The PTFA will be sending in a sweet treat for the teaching team on everybody's behalf and will share a link for you to send your own free thank you card
- 26 June | Family magic show - this looks set to be an especially fantastic evening with Magic Max, Jones pizza, raffle & the PTFA sweet & drinks bar. Book now to avoid disappointment <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/GLDR>

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



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

JUNE

16

£4 PER CHILD

PLEASE BRING CASH IN A NAMED ENVELOPE

Dinners – Week 2 commencing 8th June 2026



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



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main	*NEW* Tomato & Quorn Pasta Bake (Quorn pieces in a tomato sauce served with cheese)	Homemade Pork Sausage Rolls	Pulled Pork served in a Yorkshire Pudding	*NEW* Sticky Chicken (Chicken breast in a soy and honey sauce)	*NEW* Fish-wich Fillet of Fish burger (Crispy fish served in a Brioche Bun)
Vegetarian	Cheesy Pasta (Plain pasta topped with grated cheese) (v)	Cheese Whirls (v)	Cheesy Beano (Cheese & Beans served in a Yorkshire Pudding) (v)	Sticky Vegan Quorn Sausage (in a soy and honey sauce) (ve)	Omelette (v)
On the Side	Green Beans (ve) Garlic Bread (v)	Mash Potato (v) Baked Beans (ve)	Roast Potatoes (ve) Yorkshire Pudding (v) Peas & Carrots (ve) Gravy (optional)	Egg Noodles (v) Broccoli (ve)	Chips (v) Baked Beans (ve)
KS2 Baguette	Choice of filling	Choice of filling	Choice of filling	Choice of filling	Choice of filling
Dessert	Cinammon Cookie (v)	Peach and Raspberry Tray Bake (v)	Fresh Fruit (ve)	Chocolate Oatcake (ve)	Mandarins and Ice Cream (v)

Available daily – Salad Cart, Mixed Yoghurt, Fresh Fruit and Water

(v) Vegetarian (ve) Vegan (GF) Gluten Free **Week 2 Menu Dates: 20/4, 11/5, 8/6, 29/6**

SECONDARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS ADVICE SESSION

SPECIALIST TEAMS FROM BOTH
BEAUCHAMPS HIGH SCHOOL
AND
THE BROMFORDS SCHOOL

EXPERT ADMISSION ADVICE

ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT THE PROCESS?

CONFUSED ABOUT YOUR CHOICES?

DONT KNOW WHAT TO
AND WHEN TO DO IT?

DO YOU NEED HELP WITH
YOUR ONLINE APPLICATION FORM?

IF ANY OF THIS APPLIES TO YOU PLEASE
DROP IN TO SEE US

SEN & EHCP SPECIALISTS

ARE YOU WORRIED ABOUT WHAT
SUPPORT MAIN STREAM SCHOOL CAN
OFFER YOUR CHILD?

NEED ADVICE ON THE CONSULTATION
PROCESS?

NEED HELP CHOOSING THE RIGHT
SCHOOL FOR YOUR CHILD'S NEEDS?

TUESDAY 14TH JULY 9:30-11:30
DROP IN SESSION NO NEED TO BOOK
NEVENDON CENTRE
NEVENDON ROAD SS12 0QG



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

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 or collect/drop off paper copies at Central Library Chelmsford (Essex Libraries).