



St Luke's Park Newsletter (3) 25.09.2026

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear SLP Families,

School Uniform

Please ensure that your child arrives at school in correct uniform. Please label all items of uniform with their name (biro on a laundry tag is just as effective as a name sticker). I have noticed standards slipping, especially regarding school ties which must be worn from years 1-6 unless pupils are in the yellow summer dress.

School Office – reminders

Thank you for responding to my message last week, the number of items being dropped off has vastly reduced. The office team have really noticed the improvement. I will repeat the message again below for anyone who did not see this last week:

Please ensure that your child has all the items that they need for their school day when they come in to school. If you absolutely have to bring an item to the front office, please be aware that this will remain at the office until office staff are available to bring it to class.

Thank you for advising us if somebody other than you will be collecting your child at the end of the day. Please continue to phone in these messages. Messages will go to classes at the end of the afternoon before Mrs Wood opens the gate and the children are seen out. If messages arrive into the office after 2.45 then please be understanding that this message may not have been relayed to your child's teacher by this point. Teachers will hold on to your child at the end of the day until confirmation of the alternative arrangement has been sought.

Christmas Fun

As you can see from our calendar, we have an exciting final week of term planned. This includes a pantomime trip to see Aladdin at the Towngate Theatre. You can secure your child's place by paying the initial deposit. Timings for the remaining monies are on the Arbor App.

Young Voices

You have received a letter from Mrs Stone, our music lead teacher, regarding Young Voices if your child is in year 5 and 6. Everyone I have spoken to about Young Voices has really spoken highly about this experience. The opportunity to perform at the O2 is really a special event. Please sign up via the link to the Young Voices site where you can also reserve your spectator seats if you wish to come and watch.

Secondary School Places

The window for applications to secondary schools is open. **All parents of pupils in year 6 need to apply for a place at secondary school by the end of October.** <https://www.essex.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/schools/admissions/secondary-school-places>

Without this application being made, pupils will be allocated a school that they may not have wished to be chosen for them.

Clubs

Teacher clubs will begin at the start of October. Please return the slip back to the office on the club letter sent out with children today.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

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:

Squirrels – Clara for individuality and Millie for creativity

Hedgehogs – Joseph for collaboration and Lorenzo and Molly Mae for Compassion

Badgers – Teddy for Resilience and Courtney for Independence

Foxes – Ollie for Courage and Max for collaboration

Woodpeckers – Jacob for creativity and David for resilience

Jays – Elora for respect and Elizabeth for creativity

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

Autumn Term - Dates for your Diary	
Friday 2 nd October	Inset Day – Pupils not in school
Tuesday 6 th October	6pm – Brockfield House information evening for parents
Friday 9 th October	PTFA – AGM –Parents are invited to the school hall just after drop off in the morning – School Hall
Wednesday 14 th October	School Photographs 8.00am – <u>Photos with siblings who do not attend SLP</u> 9.00am - Individual and sibling groups in school across the morning.
Thursday 15 th October	1.15-3.30pm Yr 5 / Yr 6 – Girls Football Tournament, Meadgate Primary School
Tuesday 20 th October	3.30pm-6pm Parents evening – NO TEACHER LED CLUBS
Thursday 22 nd October	3.30pm-6pm Parents evening – NO TEACHER LED CLUBS
Thursday 22 nd October	1.15-3.30pm Yr 5 / Yr 6 – Boys Football Tournament, Meadgate Primary School
Thursday 22 nd October	4.00pm - Little Owls – Visit to the library with parents
Friday 23 rd October	9.00am – Harvest Festival for children in Little Owls / Squirrels and Hedgehogs ONLY – Parent invited
	HALF TERM - Monday 26 th – Friday 30 th October
Monday 2 nd November	Back to school 08.30am - Pumpkin carving competition – children can bring in carved pumpkins to display in the playground from
Friday 13 th November	Children in Need – Children come into school with ‘Crazy Hair’ for a £1.00 donation on Arbor
Friday 20 th November	NHS Flu Vaccinations in school
Thursday 26 th November	EYFS – New Intake Tour for children starting in September 2027
Thursday 3 rd December	EYFS – New Intake Tour for children starting in September 2027
Friday 4 th December	PTFA Disco – Times to be confirmed
Monday 15 th December	9.00am KS1 Nativity Parents invited 2.30pm EYFS Christmas show – Parents invited
Tuesday 15 th December	9.00am KS1 Nativity Parents invited 2.30pm EYFS Christmas show – Parents invited
Wednesday 16 th December	Whole School Pantomime – Aladdin, Basildon Towngate Theatre
Thursday 17 th December	Christmas Jumper Day - Christmas Dinner Day KS2 Carol Concert 4-5pm
Friday 18 th December	Last Day of Term Class Christmas parties Festive Christmas visitor organised by the PTFA

♥ Update from your PTFA Committee ♥

🇬🇧 WE DID IT – £10,000 TARGET REACHED! 🇬🇧

We're absolutely delighted to share that, thanks to the incredible support of our school community, we have officially reached our £10,000 fundraising target for the Multipurpose Outdoor Classroom! 🙌♥

From events and raffles to the amazing 20.26 Summer Challenge, generous donations and every fundraiser along the way – thank you to everyone who has helped us reach this huge milestone.

We're so excited to see the project become a reality and create a fantastic new space for our children to enjoy. We'll keep you updated as plans progress!

🎢 LEGOLAND Tickets

For those who have booked tickets for our LEGOLAND INSET Day on 2 October, we're expecting to receive the official tickets shortly and will arrange for them to be distributed via the school next week.

Please remember, the TryBooking tickets you received when booking were for our reference only – you will receive official LEGOLAND tickets for your visit.

🍁 In Case You Missed It – Autumn Term Save the Dates

We've got lots coming up this term! Take a look at our Autumn Term Dates for Your Diary and get those dates saved 📅

There's plenty to look forward to, including RSC Bingo Nights, our Little Recyclers Clothing Drive, Winter Disco and a very special festive visitor... 🎄

More details will follow ahead of each event.

🔔 PTFA AGM – 9 October

A quick reminder that our AGM takes place 9 October, 8:45–9:30am in the School Main Hall. Younger siblings are very welcome.

We need a minimum number of parents/carers to attend so that we can vote in our 2026/27 Committee. You don't need to volunteer for a role – simply coming along helps!

Thank you, as always, for your amazing support – £10,000! We did it! 🇬🇧♥

Your 2025/26 PTFA Committee

Liz, Kirsty, Nicola, Claudia, Sam, Bessie, Kayleigh & Sophie

St Luke's Park Primary School

Autumn Term April 2026-October 2026

	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 Whirl (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	Cinnamon 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 – Weeks commencing: 7th September, 28th September, 19th October

Please see the attached special menu for Census Day –
Thursday 1st October 2026

Please note that there will be no Sticky chicken / Quorn
sausage served on this day

Clubs



Essex Kids Camp ST. LUKE'S PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

SCHOOL CLUBS AT ST. LUKE'S PARK

- FOOTBALL - YEARS 1 - 6**
TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL
- DANCE - YEARS 1 - 6**
WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL
- MULTISKILLS - YEARS 1 - 6**
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



Essex Kids Camp ST. LUKE'S PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

MORNING ACTIVE CLUB

Start the school day with something fun!

GET CREATIVE

- Minecraft-style magnetic building blocks
- Colouring
- Games
- Creative activities

GET ACTIVE

- Football
- Dancing
- Wall bars
- Sports
- Different activities each morning!

STARTING MONDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER
EVERY SCHOOL MORNING FROM 7.45

A fun, flexible before-school club for children at St Luke's Primary School, Wickford.

EVERY SCHOOL MORNING FROM 7.45AM ONWARDS
Drop in from 7.45am

FLEXIBLE BOOKING
BOOK INDIVIDUAL MORNINGS
Only book what you need

SAVE WITH A WEEKLY PASS
GREAT VALUE FOR BUSY FAMILIES

BOOK ONLINE TODAY!
www.essexkidscamp.co.uk



Crafty Katie
St Lukes Park Primary
CRAFT CLUB

Fun weekly themed crafts and activities often to include Sand art, wooden crafts, foam crafts, sequins, modelling, brick build, and more. Club runs straight from class and finishes at 4.15pm. Collection is from the main school entrance.

Tuesdays for all year groups
Tuesday 8th September to Tuesday 20th Oct/15th Dec
7 week half term / 14 week full term
Cost is £42 for the half term, £84 for full term
You can join mid term if spaces are available.
To book: Text or call Katie on 07929 044959

Wood, fabric, sand and more!



Made with AI

Crafty Katie

AFTER-SCHOOL LEGO CLUB

Build • Create • Imagine

Tuesdays to 4.15pm
For all year groups

Starts Tuesday 22nd September

Join us for an afternoon of **colourful creativity** – towers, vehicles, mini-worlds, challenges team builds. Perfect for budding engineers and imaginative minds.

What's included:

- Weekly themed LEGO challenges
- Free-build zone
- Team builds
- ★ Plus Magnetic Minecraft blocks!

To book text Katie on 07929 044959

Book Now!
£25 for 5 weeks

Karate Club: <https://www.yoseikankarate.co.uk/service-page/mondays-st-lukes-park-school>