



# St Luke's Park Newsletter (25) 04/04/2025

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## Message from the Headteacher

Dear SLP Families,

### Amazing Performance

Well done again to children in year 3 and 4 for their fantastic performance of Hoodwinked at the end of term. Children worked so hard to learn their lines and songs, and I was so impressed by the way that children performed with such confidence.

As our expressive arts lead, Mrs Stone has really driven the progression in The Arts at St Luke's Park this year and we are really grateful for her passion and expertise in this area. A big 'Thank You' to her, and Mr Loughnane – plus all of those 'behind the scenes' who have helped make this a memorable event for children.

### School Trips

As we move into the summer term and (hopefully) more good weather, we will have a number of school trips coming up for children in years one, two and three in the next term. Further information about dates and costs will come to you soon. Year 4 will begin their swimming lessons next term, swimming each week on a Friday morning.

Swimmers will need to wear: a one-piece costume for girls and shorts no longer than the knees for boys. Both will need a swimming hat – there will be some available at the pool if you do not have one.

### School Dinner Booking

In the summer term, we will be trialling a new school dinner booking system so that all school lunch choices are made on the day. Following the Easter Holiday break, school dinners will not need to be pre-booked. Menus will be available to look at on our website alongside allergen information.

### What it means for your child

During registration, teachers will record who wishes to order a school dinner (and whether they would like the main or vegetarian meal) and who has a packed lunch for that day. These numbers will go straight to the kitchen so that Chef Julie can begin to prepare meals.

### What it means for you.

Rather than selecting a meal and booking this in advance, you will now only need to ensure your child's lunch account is in credit. The cost of the meal taken will then be deducted from your account. *If your child receives a free school meal (because they are in EYFS, yr1 or yr2 or they are entitled to Free School Meals) then you do not need to pay.*

We hope that this change will give families greater flexibility to book lunches when they wish, and reduce the administration around school dinner booking.

Although the system is set up and ready to go, we know that there can sometimes be the odd glitch or two when moving to new processes. If you have any queries or concerns then please get in touch with the school office.

### Staff Carpark

Parents are not permitted to use the staff carpark. This area is for staff car parking and deliveries to the school only with the exception of blue badge holders. Please do not drive into the staff carpark at any time.

### School Council

In the summer term we will elect new school councillors. These children will remain class councillors until the summer term of the following year. If children would like this role, they will be invited to share with their class why they would like to represent them, and elections will be held in the first week back after Easter.

Have a lovely weekend,

Ms Kendall-Hobbs

## Stars of the Week



### **This Week's Winners:**

Little Owls – Hallie for individuality and Olivia L for collaboration.

Squirrels – Ivy S for individuality and Rose for compassion.

Hedgehogs –Teddy for respect.

Badgers – Aria and Elliott for collaboration.

Foxes – Whole class for collaboration.

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

<b>7<sup>th</sup> April to 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	<b>Easter Holidays</b>
<b>21<sup>st</sup> April</b>	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Pupils return to school 8.30am
25 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 4 Only - Swimming lessons <b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025 inclusive</b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	Science Fair – Classrooms and Hall – 2pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> May	8pm - Bingo Runwell Social Club 20:00 (Adults only)
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
16 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30pm Royal Tiger Dinner & Dance (Adults only)
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Last day of term
<b>26<sup>th</sup> May – 30<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Half Term</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	<b>Inset Day – Non-Pupil Day</b>

## Summer Term

3 <sup>rd</sup> June	Pupils return to school 8.30am
9 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 1 - Phonics screening check Year 4 – Multiplication check
10 <sup>th</sup> June	PTFA – Father’s Day stall
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day – 9am
27 <sup>th</sup> June	PTA Summer Event – 6pm - Families
2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Reserve Sport Day
4 <sup>th</sup> July	8pm - Bingo Runwell Social Club 20:00 (Adults only)
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 4 Final swimming lesson
21 <sup>st</sup> July	End of term work viewing Summer Walk – 2pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Last Day of Term End of term Talent Show and Colour Run (TBC)
<b>23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	<b>Summer Holidays Begin</b>

**For a full list of upcoming dates and times please refer to the calendar on the school website**

<https://www.stlukesparkprimary.com/diary/list/>

Clubs for after the Easter Break:

Monday: Karate  
Tuesday: Crafty Katie  
Wednesday: Dance Club  
Thursday: Multi-skills

All bookings to be made directly with clubs.



# SCHOOLS CLUB AT ST. LUKES PARK

**DANCE YEARS 1-4**

**WED AFTER SCHOOL**

**MULTISKILLS YEARS 1-4**

**THURS AFTER SCHOOL**



For half termly costs and start/finish times, please visit:

Book online: [www.essexkidscamp.co.uk/activities](http://www.essexkidscamp.co.uk/activities)

Email: [info@essexkidscamp.co.uk](mailto:info@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 4.15 pm. Collection is from the school main entrance.

**Tuesday's - for all year groups**

**Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> April till Tues 20<sup>th</sup> May - 5 week block**

**Cost is £30 for the half term**

**You can join mid term if spaces are available.**

**To book: Text or call Katie on 07929 044959**



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## Karate Club

If you would like to enrol your child for karate class after the Easter break, please contact the instructor Chris via text message

on: 07887 898159

You will then be redirected for enrolment via the YKA web site online bookings page for more info and payment details.

web site: [www.yoseikan.co.uk](http://www.yoseikan.co.uk)

# PTFA News

## Update from your PTFA Committee

This week we held our **annual PTFA Easter Egg hunt**. The children all had a craft from the PTFA to decorate which was hidden for them to find! Once they found their craft - they collected an Easter Egg!

## Royal Tiger 16th May



We've sold more tickets but we still need more sales for this event to go ahead - so if you're thinking of coming, please get your tickets **before 6th April!** We really appreciate your support. There's no forced fun on the evening - just dinner with those who you choose to book a table with. You don't have to stay for the disco - stay as long as you want! Spread the word to family and friends - The more the merrier. Thanks! Tickets available here: <https://st-lukes-park-primary-ptfa.sumupstore.com/product/royal-tiger-ptfa-dinner-and-disco>

We've arranged for a **clothing drive fundraiser on the 30th April** with The Little Recyclers. Simply fill any bags with clothing and drop off at Runwell Social Club small car park on the 30th April between 08:00 and 13:00. No loose items please. The Little Recyclers will collect and then give our PTFA pot 45p for every kilo! More info attached.

We're also arranging our very first **movie night** for the kids afterschool. Date to be confirmed but watch this space!

## PTFA events - Dates for your diaries:

4 Apr Bingo Runwell Social Club 20:00 (Adults)  
30 Apr Clothing Drive Recycling Drive Runwell Social Club 08-00-13:00  
2 May Bingo Runwell Social Club 20:00 (Adults)  
16 May Royal Tiger Dinner & Dance 19:30 (Adults) \* Subject to ticket sales  
10 Jun Marvellous Men (in school event - children only)  
27 June Summer Family Event 18:00 (Families)  
4 July Bingo Runwell Social Club 20:00 (Adults)

If you've any questions or suggestions for the PTFA team, get in touch at [stlukesparkptfa@gmail.com](mailto:stlukesparkptfa@gmail.com).

We're also on Facebook - St Luke's Park PTFA and Instagram [st\\_lukes\\_park\\_ptfa](#)

Thanks, Laura, Nicola, Liz, Claudia, Ashlee, Kayleigh, Melanie and Maria.