

# St. Luke's Catholic Primary School

## Summer 1st Half Term Newsletter 2017

May I take this opportunity to welcome you all back after Spring break and hope you are all energised and ready for the Summer term. I would also like to thank you all for your support during our Lenten activities. There were some excellent Easter bonnets, Egg scenes and Easter Egg decorating. All of our efforts raised **£861** which is donated to our nominated charities.

### Governor Elections

We would like to welcome Mrs Scott who was elected as Parent Governor to our board of Governors. Thank you for your responses in the election process.

### New Entrance/Breakfast Club

As you will be aware we have recently had a new exterior door fitted to our breakfast club/afterschool club room. From Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April we are using this as the only entrance to breakfast club in the mornings. This will require children to enter across the playground to access this door. We appreciate that this is a busy time for many parents and children, but the extra 1 minute walk will eliminate the safeguarding risks attached to children walking across the car park. Afterschool Club users can be collected at the usual exit.

### Swimming

**Year 3** will be taking part in a block of 7 swimming lessons starting **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April** (See dates for diary below for further dates)

**Year 4** will be taking part in a block of 7 swimming lesson starting **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** (See dates for diary below for further dates).

**Girls - Swimming Costume & Swim Cap (NOT BIKINI)**

**Boys – Traditional Swimming Trunks (NOT SWIM SHORTS) & Swim Cap if hair is long**

*Please note: Instructors will not allow pupils to swim if they do not have the correct swimwear.*

### Summer Uniform Reminder

You have two options when purchasing St Luke's uniform. We use a local supplier called Top Form, Unit 22, Sinclair Way, Prescot Business Park, L34 1PB and an online supplier called [www.gedasports.co.uk](http://www.gedasports.co.uk).

### Reception – Year 6 Classes

During Summer term, boys are allowed to wear pale blue polo shirts and grey shorts. Girls are allowed to wear pale blue gingham summer dresses. Please note black school shoes (Not trainers) should still be worn. Children's footwear will be checked.

### Nursery

Girls can wear a red gingham summer dress and boys can wear a navy polo shirt and navy shorts.

**Children can also still wear the traditional St Luke's School uniform throughout this period if they wish.**

### British Values

This term we are focusing on British Values at St Luke's. These are democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs. These values are taught discreetly throughout our school and discussed in individual lessons. Please take the opportunity to discuss British values with your child as they have shown lots of enthusiasm for this.



### First Holy Communion and Confirmation

Children in Year 4 will be receiving the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Confirmation on **Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May (Group A) & Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> May (Group B) at St Luke's Church at 11am. All are welcome.** (note for your diary Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am is Thanksgiving Mass in Church for First Holy Communicants, which will be followed by a celebratory breakfast in the school hall)



### Robinwood Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017 Payment Deadline

The last payment deadline for this residential experience is **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May**. The full balance needs to be paid by this date. If you are unsure of your outstanding balance please speak to Miss Evans in the office.

More details will be sent out next half term.

### Nursery Intake Meeting

There will be a meeting for parents of next year's Nursery on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May at 1.30pm in St Luke's school hall. If you know anyone that is looking for a place for their 3 year old next year, please encourage them to apply early, as places are limited. There are also full time Day Care places available for September. Apply within for more details.

### Year 6 SATS Week

Week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> May will be the start of SATS for Year 6. To encourage children to be in the right frame of mind and set them up to achieve their absolute best we will be providing a breakfast consisting of a selection of fruit, croissants, brioche and milk etc. Breakfast will start at 8.30am in the Year 6 class.

### School Website

All information about the school, including term dates, will be available on our own website [www.stluke.knowsley.sch.uk](http://www.stluke.knowsley.sch.uk) We have had a few problems with people looking at the Knowsley website for St. Luke's and getting incorrect term date information. Please remember to look at our own website, it is far more accurate.

### Bouncy Castle/Assault Course Attendance Reward

Due to the success of the bouncy assault course last ½ term for children who achieved national average of 96% or above. We will be giving the children another opportunity to enjoy a similar award on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May. We appreciate your continued support in our efforts to improve school attendance and promote good life habits.

### Non Uniform Days

Our next non uniform days will take place on **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April** and **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May** when the children can wear their own clothes for a voluntary donation of **£1** towards the Catholic School Levy. This is instead of requesting this payment once a year in a lump sum from parents and gives the children the opportunity to do something they like. May I remind parents of the need to ensure that the clothes the children wear on non uniform days are suitable for school. Please ensure shoulders are covered and footwear does not have high heels!

### Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> , 19 <sup>th</sup> & 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Y3 – Swimming
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> , 25 <sup>th</sup> , 26 <sup>th</sup> & 27 <sup>th</sup>	Y3 - Swimming
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April	Y4 – Communion Meeting 3.30pm & 5pm at Church
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	Y4 – Mass at Church 9.15 – 12pm
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>NON UNIFORM DAY</b>
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	<b>BANK HOLIDAY</b>
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 - Swimming
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	SATS Week
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> , 9 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> & 11 <sup>th</sup> May	Y4 – Swimming
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 6 SATS Party
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	Holy Communion Group A – 11am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Nursery, Reception & Year 1 rejoice assembly 2.40pm
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>NON UNIFORM DAY</b>
Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Holy Communion Group B – 11am
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Attendance winners – Bouncy Reward
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Nursery Intake meeting- 1.30pm
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	School closes- normal time
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May	INSET Day (Pupils do not attend)

**THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY PUPILS BREAK UP AND SCHOOL CLOSSES AT NORMAL TIME.**

**FRIDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY IS AN INSET DAY FOR STAFF ONLY, IN SCHOOL.**

**MONDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> JUNE PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL.**

**MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY IS A BANK HOLIDAY.**

Thanking you for your continued support from a happy and proud headteacher.

Mr. A Crist  
Headteacher