

A HAPPY
NEW YEAR

St. Luke's Catholic Primary School January Newsletter

Welcome back to 2013 and a Happy New Year to all our families. I hope you all had a wonderful Christmas and Santa brought everything your heart desired!

THANKS



A huge “thank you” to all our families who supported our many fundraising activities before Christmas. The Christmas Fayre was a great success and raised over £600. The Junior children went carol singing at Tesco on several occasions and raised funds for our charities as well as school fund. All monies raised helps us to provide extras for the children like gifts and parties and also enables us to subsidise school trips which in turn helps us keep the cost down for yourselves. We also contribute to local and national charities on behalf of the children of St. Luke's. So once again a huge THANK YOU!

Knowsley Foodbank

A big thank you to all our children and families who generously contributed to the Knowsley Foodbank. The organisers were delighted with our donation.

Weather Conditions

Please remember, we endeavour to keep the school open in all weather conditions as we fully understand the importance of a good education. However, should there be SEVERE snow at any time it may not be possible to keep the school open. In the event of extreme weather conditions we will always put a notice on the local radio stations or Knowsley website. We promise to keep disruption to a minimum.



School Uniform

Please ensure that your child's name is marked in all school uniform especially jumpers, cardigans and coats as we frequently find items of clothing. All lost property is put in a box near the pupils' entrance and you may search for lost items at any time.



Inhalers

If your child has an inhaler, or any other medication which must be kept in school, could you please check that it is still in date? We cannot allow children to use inhalers that are passed their use by date.

Free School Meals



If you think you may be entitled to free school meals for your child then please apply, even if you wish your child to continue with packed lunches. We ask this because the Coalition Government is basing some funding on numbers of free school meal entitlement, so the more children who are registered, the more money we get into our school budget. It is particularly important in the present economic climate when the Government is cutting education budgets. If you think you may be eligible please contact Steve Boardman on 443 4047.

He's Behind You

Panto time comes St. Luke's on **Monday 7th January** when our children will watch Aladdin.

Gymnastics Classes

The children in Yr 3 and Yr 4 will continue to benefit from specialist coaching in gymnastics every Thursday afternoon. The children learn many skills including balances and toss tailovers.



Recycle and Help our School

On **Friday, 11th January**, a company will collect clothing, bedding, curtains, matching shoes, bags, hats, belts, cuddly toys, in any condition from school. If your child could bring any of these items, in a bin bag, the company will weigh the bags and will pay money into school.



Child Care

We continue to offer child care places for all children including Nursery up to 5.00 p.m. each school day. These facilities have been OFSTED inspected and judged as good with many excellent elements. If you would like your child looked after by professional, qualified carers on Monday – Thursday, then please contact Mrs. Lankertis or Mrs. Dooley for details.



Emergency Contact

Please remember to notify us when you change your mobile phone or move house.



Non Uniform Day

Our next non uniform day will take place on **Friday, 25th January** when the children will have the opportunity to wear their own clothes for a donation of £1 towards school fund. **As this is a special concession if your child is unable to bring in £1 they must come to school in uniform.**

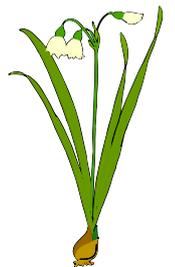


Rejoice Assembly

The children in Year 3 will lead our Rejoice assembly on **Wednesday, 31st January at 9.10 a.m.**, in school. All parents are welcome to attend.

Half Term

The school will close at the normal time for half term on **Friday, 15th February**. The children return to school on **Monday, 21st February**.



Birthdays

To all those children who celebrate their special day this month, Happy Birthday!



Kaitlyn Pollock, Ellie Scahill, Erin Piert, Grace Collins, Chloe Koo, Sean Hurst, Lauren Maloney, Jenson Jose, Daniel Miller, Callum Lang, Lewis Ward, Lena Joseph, Ben Babyson, Kate Aycayno, William Old, Jack Cowell, Poppy Martin,

Jack Fitzsimmons.

Thanking you for your continued support.

Mrs. M. P. Clarke
Headteacher