



St Luke's School Flyer

7th February 2025

Dear Parents, Carers and Families of St Luke's,

School Trips

As a school, we really understand and value the important role school trips play in improving a child's attainment, emotional intelligence and cultural capital. Teachers think carefully about how to find opportunities that offer enriching experience along with being value for money.

Cumulatively, a large amount of money has yet to be paid for existing school trips and excursions. Unfortunately, any amount that isn't paid has to be absorbed directly from school funds which we use to support the children in school. I am sure you can appreciate that school finances are exceptionally tight currently.

If we are not able to adequately cover the cost of trips, this may result in them being cancelled which is not what we want. Please check Arbor to check if you have any outstanding debt or contact the school office. Thank you for your support and understanding.

Attendance

Please see below the school's attendance figures for January. Once again, please ensure that your child is in school as often as possible.

Attendance data 24-24		Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-25
Thurnby St Luke's	Reception	93.3%	98.2%	94.5%	92.7%	92.2%
Thurnby St Luke's	Year 1	97.9%	95.6%	96.3%	95.3%	93.3%
Thurnby St Luke's	Year 2	96.7%	92.2%	93.6%	93.4%	92.9%
Thurnby St Luke's	Year 3	96.9%	94.0%	93.8%	98.6%	94.2%
Thurnby St Luke's	Year 4	97.4%	95.4%	97.9%	96.0%	90.6%
Thurnby St Luke's	Year 5	94.1%	91.3%	91.5%	94.8%	90.8%
Thurnby St Luke's	Year 6	98.4%	95.6%	96.9%	97.0%	92.2%
		96.4%	94.6%	94.9%	95.4%	92.3%
	Without Early Years	96.9%	94.0%	95.0%	95.9%	92.3%

Times Tables Parent Workshop

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended our Multiplication Workshop. Currently improving confidence and ability in times tables is a key focus on the school with children showing significant gains.

Please ensure that your child regularly uses Times Table Rock Stars, little and often as it will significantly help your child's attainment in school.

This week children and staff fought out a tightly contested Battle with the children coming out on top! Well done to all those children who helped to beat the teachers

Parental Consent for Photos

A polite reminder that we are still waiting for some families either to confirm or refuse permission for photographs of your child to be taken and potential shared with others for school purposes. We are very proud of the work completed by the children and are keen to further share their successes. Obviously we very respect your wishes as parents and are sensitive to this. If you have not done so already, please take a moment to complete the permission request on Arbor.

EYFS Writing Workshop

We would warmly like to invite EYFS Parents and Carer's into our Writing Workshop on Tuesday 11th February 3:30-4:00. The workshop will take place in the EYFS classroom and will be packed full of helpful hints and tips to promote and support writing with your child at home.

Parents and Carers Evening

A date for your diaries, we will be hosting our Spring Parents and Carers evening at the school on the evenings of Tuesday April 8th and Wednesday April 9th. Further booking information will be released in the coming week

Bike Ability

Bike Ability Week for Year 6 has been a great success! Despite the rainy weather, the children showed incredible enthusiasm, perseverance, and teamwork. They embraced every challenge and learned valuable cycling skills that will benefit them for years to come. It's been wonderful to see them grow in confidence and ability, and we are so proud of their efforts throughout the week. Thank you for your continued support!



February Online Newsletter

Please see attached February Online Newsletter

Dates for your Diary

Event	Date
Year 1 Puppet making Parent Workshop	Wednesday 12 th February 2025 1.45pm

Friends of St Luke's events

A reminder of upcoming Friends Events:

Event	Date
Mother's Day Fayre	Friday 21 st March
Summer Fayre	Saturday 28 th June

Term Dates

Schools Close	Thursday 13th February 2025
Mid-Term Break	Friday 14th February to Friday 23rd February 2025
Schools Close	Friday 11th April 2025
Easter Holidays	Monday 14th April- Friday 25 th April 2025
Summer Term 2024	
Schools Open	Monday 28th April 2025
Bank Holiday	Monday 5th May 2025 (May Day)
Schools Close	Thursday 22nd May 2025
Spring Bank Holiday	Friday 28th May to Friday 30th May 2025
Schools Open	Monday 2nd June 2025
Schools Close for Summer	Friday 11th July 2025

A Reading from Scripture

Psalm 37

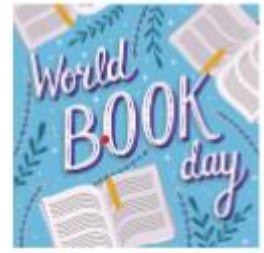
Of David.

1 Do not fret because of those who are evil or be envious of those who do wrong;

2 for like the grass they will soon wither, like green plants they will soon die away.

3 Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. 4

Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.



World Book Week Extravaganza 2025

Once again, we are extremely excited to be celebrating World Book Day this year with a range of exciting activities planned for a full week-it's going to be epic!

At St Luke's, we understand the importance of reading, both for pleasure and for learning. We see this week as a wonderful opportunity to celebrate reading, books, authors and learning with aspiration.

Wild Reading Competition

This year we are introducing a Wild Reading Competition for all children. Please send in a picture of yourself reading in an unusual place with a short explanation of why you enjoy reading there: in the garden, under the bed or even in the attic! Prizes will be given out for the most creative and wild reading places. Please either send a picture with a short explanation in with your class teacher or email the school office at Office@stlukes.risemat.co.uk

We will be running Book Swap. Building on last year's successful Book Swap, we would like to invite children to bring in books they would like to swap with new reading materials. Therefore, from week commencing 24th February, children can bring their used books and receive book tokens ready for our Book Swap Day.

Aspiring Authors

Miss Mayer-Gibb has kindly organised an opportunity for children to have their writing published (at a small cost). More details to follow shortly.

Thursday 6th March- World Book Day! Come dressed up as your favourite book character! Children will engage in classroom activities, meet up with another Reading Buddy from another key stage, as well as joining in with countless other primary school with online events led by authors and BBC presenters.

Finally, World Book Day book tokens from the Literacy Trust will be given out and sent home shortly to every child, so please make sure that you take advantage of this offer.



A Prayer for the Week

Dear God

When we're worried or concerned 'Help us to look up' and find help from those around us When our hearts feel heavy or sad 'Help us to look up' and find small things to be grateful for As David looked to the mountains, 'Help us to look up' and find you.

Amen

Have a wonderful weekend and see you next week.

Mr G Skye and the St Luke's Team

