



# ST. LUKE'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL Newsletter

Friday 20th March 2026

## Week Commencing Monday 23rd March 2026

**Monday** Rec, Year 1 and 2 Gymnastic Club

**Tuesday** Violin/Guitar/Piano/Keyboard Lessons  
Parents Afternoon/Evening  
Year 3 and 4 Football Club  
Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Rugby Club

**Wednesday** Voice/Percussion Lessons  
Parents Evening  
Year 5 and 6 Football

**Thursday** Piano/Keyboard/Woodwind/Brass Lessons  
Reception and Year 6 Heights and Weights

**Friday** Non Uniform Day — Please come to school dressed in sensible, weather appropriate clothes and footwear. If you are able to, please bring in Easter themed items such as Easter eggs, craft kits and soft toys, which will be used for prizes at the Easter Bingo. Thank you.



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### Comic Relief

Thank you to everyone who sent in donations for Comic Relief today.





### Personal Toys and Belongings

Could we please remind parents that children should not bring personal belongings such as toys, fidgets, books and teddy bears into school.



Each class in school has soft toys, books and fidget toys that the children can access if and when necessary during their school day.

Following the amazing generosity of our parents at last October's non uniform day, which raised funds for lunchtime toys and equipment, both the Infants and Juniors have a fantastic selection of activities and toys to keep them entertained over lunchtime — thank you.

Our Rainbow Room is also fully equipped with mindfulness resources for children of all ages.

Unfortunately, school is unable to take any responsibility for any personal items a child may bring into school that are misplaced, lost or damaged.

Please could we also remind parents and carers to ensure that all items of clothing worn for school are labelled with your child's name, including shoes — quite often children do have the same style.

Sports kits brought into school for after school clubs must also be clearly labelled with your child's name and placed in a named bag.

To avoid confusion at lunchtime, please could all lunch bags be labelled as children occasionally have the same one. In the interest of health and safety this also applies to the labelling of water bottles brought into class.



Thank you for your continued help and support.



### Parents Afternoon/Evening



Parents afternoon/evening will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday next week.

Parents/carers will received their appointment time once they have returned the slip indicating their time choices to their child's class teacher.



### The Friends of St Luke's 'Happy's Circus'

Please contact members of the the Friends of St Luke's or the school office if you are able to help in any way on the run up to, or on the day of , 'Happy's Circus'.

Volunteers are needed to help on the day with setting up and tidying up, ticket collection, the sale of refreshments and many other roles.

If you are able spare an hour or two the committee would be very grateful — *many hands make light work.*



### New Starter Music Lessons

A letter was recently sent out by Wigan Music Service

following a music demonstration in school to all

of our junior classes. This was followed up with an Abor text message last week.



If your child would like to start music lessons after the Easter holidays please complete the application form and contact the school office.



### Childhood Illnesses



Please could we remind parents to be vigilant in checking for and treating headlice and threadworms and reminding your children to wash their hands.



If your child is suffering from a high temperature or headache please seek medical advice before sending them into school — please do not mask the symptoms by administering paracetamol.

Could we please also remind parents and carers that if children are off school following sickness or diarrhoea they must remain off school for 48 hours following the last incident.

Advice and medication can be sought from your GP, School Nurse or Pharmacist. Information on childhood illness and infection can be found by following this link: [https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/sites/default/files/](https://www.publichealth.hscni.net/sites/default/files/Guidance_on_infection_control_in%20schools_poster.pdf)

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## Contacting Class Teachers



As parents and carers will be aware we have an open door policy here at St Luke's School.

Should you like to talk to your child's class teacher either before or after school, please contact the school office to make an appointment.

If you have an urgent message that needs relaying to your child's teacher at the start of the day, this can also be done via the school office so that the class and teacher can begin their day on time.

Could we please remind parents and carers that if you have an important message regarding your child that you should always contact the school office rather than using class DOJO, for example a change in pick up and collection arrangements.

If a teacher is off site, in a meeting or busy teaching their class they may not see the DOJO message until much later. It could take up to two school days for a DOJO to be responded to.

We would also like to ask that DOJO messages are not sent to class teachers during the evening, we appreciate that this is usually when parents are at home, but it can also be quite disruptive to our teachers family time.

Please note that you must notify the school office of all absences, appointments and holiday requests, these must not be sent via class DOJO.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

## School Car Park

Due to the limited availability of spaces on the school car park could we please request that where and if possible parents could avoid parking on it.

We appreciate that there are times when parents will need to use the car park and therefore we would like to remind you that the use of the car park is at your own risk.





### Easter Bingo Non-Uniform Day

To help us prepare for our upcoming Easter Bingo event on Wednesday 1st April, we will be holding a non-uniform day in school on Friday 27th March.

Children are invited to come to school wearing their own clothes on this day. Rather than making a monetary donation, we kindly ask if each family could contribute one prize for our Easter Bingo. Donations could include Easter eggs (both dairy and allergy-friendly options where possible), Easter craft activities, or small Easter-themed gifts.

Prizes will be used during the bingo event to help make it a fun and exciting occasion for the children. Any prizes that are left over will be donated to the local food bank or local charities.

Please send any donations into school with your child on Friday 27th March. Your support is always greatly appreciated and helps us to organise enjoyable events for the children.

Thank you for your continued support.





## **Easter Egg Decorating Competition** **– Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March**



**We are excited to invite the children to take part in our egg decorating competition! This is a wonderful opportunity for them to let their imaginations run wild and explore their creativity. There is no set theme for the competition – we want the children to come up with their own ideas, as long as the decorated egg remains the central feature of the design.**

**Each child will need to use a hard-boiled egg (or a foam or plastic alternative if preferred) and incorporate it into a larger scene. The possibilities are endless!**

### **Competition Rules:**

- 1) A hard-boiled egg (or equivalent) must be used as part of the artwork.**
- 2) Entries must be no larger than a cereal box or shoe box.**
- 3) Each entry should be clearly labelled with a title, your child's name, and class.**
- 4) We are kindly asking for an entry fee donation (any amount is greatly received) which will go towards art and craft resources for each class.**

**Please bring your donation, along with the children's creations, into your child's classroom on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> March. All entries will be displayed in the hall after school until 3:45pm if parents or carers would like to view the designs.**

**Prizes will be awarded for the best entries in EYFS/KS1 and KS2.**

**We hope the children enjoy creating their entries, and we are looking forward to seeing all the amazing designs!**



**Thank you, as always, for your continued support.**



**SATURDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026**

**ST LUKE'S PRIMARY SCHOOL, CHURCH LANE,  
LOWTON**



**Gates Open: 12pm**

**Circus Doors Open: 1.30pm**

**Show Starts: 2pm**

**Tickets:**

**£12 per ticket**

**£45 for a family of 4**

**Free for children aged 2 & under**



**HAPPY'S  
CIRCUS**



**FRIENDS OF  
ST. LUKE'S**

Registered Charity 1022101

Please follow this link if you would like to pre order your tickets for the circus

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/friendsofstlukeslowton/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=110694>

Tickets are £12 each or 4 for £45 (family ticket).

## Dates For Your Diary

**Tuesday 24th March — Parents' Afternoon/Evening**

**Wednesday 25th March — Parents' Evening**

**Thursday 26th March — Reception and Year 6 Heights and Weights**

**Friday 27th March — Non Uniform Day (please send in Easter themed items such as Easter eggs, activity packs and toys**

**Monday 30th March — Please return all Decorated Easter Egg entries to school**

**Wednesday 1st April — Easter Worship 2.00pm in School**

**Wednesday 1st April — Easter Bingo 6.00pm in School**

**Thursday 2nd April — School Closes for Easter at 3.15pm (After School Club Open as Usual)**

**Tuesday 14th April — School Re-opens**



## Wigan Family Hub

As part of the Family Hub offer, the Mental Health Support Team in Schools is offering a series of parent/carer workshops to provide a practical workshop looking at stress and perfectionism for parents/carers whose children attend a Wigan borough school/college.

We are pleased to offer a practical workshop which is designed to help parents/carers understand the impact of stress and perfectionism on children and young people. We will provide strategies to help support resilience and healthy coping mechanisms. This workshop is 60 minutes long and will be delivered by the Mental Health Support Team in Schools as part of the Wigan Borough Family Hub offer. If your child is struggling with stress and perfectionism, this will be a useful, informative workshop for you! We look forward to meeting you.

Please see below Eventbrite links to book, booking is essential.

Dates of each session and Family Hub are detailed below, all sessions must be booked via this link -

[Wigan Mental Health Support Team in Schools Events - 2 Upcoming Activities and Tickets | Eventbrite](#)



# If you're considering adoption, we'd love to hear from you.

We welcome enquiries from a range of backgrounds.

Single, married, LGBTQ+, renters, homeowners; enquire to adopt today!

Full training and long-term support will be provided.

[www.togetherforadoption.co.uk](http://www.togetherforadoption.co.uk)

01942 487272

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# St Luke's Church



## Lowton and Golborne Food Bank

St Luke's Church collect food items weekly for the food bank run by All Saints Church in Golborne. All the items collected are distributed to those who are in need within the Lowton and Golborne area.

If you would like to contribute towards the Food Bank, items can be brought to St Luke's Church before or after the services on Wednesday or Sunday morning (services run from 10.00am until approximately 11.00am) or be taken to St Luke's Church Thursday Coffee Morning. Thank you.



## Coffee Morning

Every Thursday St Luke's Church Fellowship Room (access on Slag Lane opposite Lowton West School), is open during the morning school run from 8.45am until 10.00am for tea, coffee and a chat.

## Forget-Me-Not Café

The café has relocated to Broadmead on Golborne Road where there should be adequate on site car parking spaces for everyone.



## St Luke's Church Services

Church services take place at 10.00am on Wednesday and Sunday — everybody welcome.

Refreshments will be served after the services in the Fellowship Room.



## Vestry Service

Weddings and Baptisms can be booked every Tuesday evening between 7.00pm and 8.00pm in St Luke's Church Fellowship Room (access on Slag Lane).



## Café Church

Café Church will take place every second Saturday in St Luke's Church.

*The next Café Church will be held on Saturday 14th March at 10.00am.*

