



ST. LUKE'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 18th September 2026

Week Commencing Monday 21st September 2026

- Monday**
- Woodwind Lessons**
 - Multi Sports Club for Years 1 — 6**
 - Year 6 SATs Meeting 5.00pm**
 - Reception Reading Meeting 5.00pm**
 - Year 1 Phonics Meeting 5.00pm**
 - Golborne High School Presentation for Year 5+6 Parents 6.00pm in School**
- Tuesday**
- Cello/Piano/Keyboard Lessons**
 - Prospective Parents Visit 10.00am**
 - Year 4 Wider Opportunities Brass Lessons**
 - KS2 Football Club**
- Wednesday**
- Voice/Drums/Guitar Lessons**
 - Prospective Parents Visit 1.30pm**
 - Year 5+6 Football Club**
 - Year 5+6 Hockey Club**
 - Lowton High School Presentation for Year 5+6 Parents 6.00pm in School**
- Thursday**
- Piano/Keyboard/Violin Lessons**
 - Friends of St Luke's AGM 6.00pm in School — Everybody Welcome**
- Friday**
- Year 6 Primary Progression Day at Golborne High School**



Friends of St Luke's AGM



Everybody is welcome at the Friends of St Luke's AGM in school on Thursday 24th September at 6.00pm.

The Friends of St Luke's are a group of much valued parents, grandparents and carers who support school through fundraising events.

Music Tuition

If your child applied to continue or start music lessons this half term, lessons started this week.

Music tuition fees are available to pay on School Hub.

Please note that lessons must be paid for in advance.

Please contact the school office if you have any questions regarding your child's music fees or lessons. Thank you.



Nut Aware School



Could we please remind all parents and carers that we are a nut aware school and ask that you do not send anything in to school that contains or may contain nuts. Please check packaging and ingredients lists before sending items into school in lunch boxes.

Thank you.

Changes to Collection of Children from School

Please could we ask that if you need to make changes to the collection of your children from school, that as much notice as is possible is given to the school office. We appreciate that this is not always possible, but if a last minute phone call is made to change arrangements it may not always be answered in time for the end of the school day.

Please would you remind your children that if the person that they are expecting to pick them up after school is not on the playground that they must come back into school and inform their class teacher or the school office. Thank you.



Wanted — Board Games and Jigsaw Puzzles



If anybody has any board games or jigsaw puzzles that they no longer need please could they be donated to school for our lunchtime library club.

Thank you.

Parking

Thank you to all of our parents and carers who are careful and courteous to our neighbours when dropping off and picking up from school. Following a request from neighbours, please could we ask that parents and carers are mindful that they do not block driveways or junctions, leave engines idling or drive at speed on residential streets.



Thank you.

Dogs

Please could we remind parents and carers that pet dogs are not allowed on the playground or cycle path for health and safety reasons.



Can we kindly request that if you bring your dog to school, to drop off or pick up your children, that you do not stand next to the entrance to the school path as we have a number of children in school who feel anxious near dogs.

Thank you for your understanding and co operation.

Church Dates for Dairy

Friday 25th September — Harvest Supper and Quiz at Broadmead Community Centre 7.00 — 9.00pm. Tickets are £8.00 including raffle entry.

To Reserve Tickets Please Call 01942 720947

Sunday 27th September — Harvest Festival 10.00am in St Luke's Church

Thursday 15th October — Baby Loss Awareness Wave of Light

Friday 16th October — LGN Community Choir and Ukulele Autumn Serenade 7.30pm in St Luke's Church 7.30pm.

To Reserve Tickets Please Call 01942 720947



Saturday 17th October — Lowton St Luke's Heritage Weekend in St Luke's Church

Sunday 18th October — St Luke's Day Service and Celebration of 275 years of St Luke's School 10.00am in St Lukes Church followed by a 'bring and share lunch'

2027 London Marathon

Mr Smith has been accepted to take part in the 2027 London Marathon. He will be raising funds for 'Zak's Goal' and bone cancer research in memory of Zak, who was a loved member and friend of our whole school. If you would like to make a donation please follow this link: <https://www.justgiving.com/page/matthew-smith-123> all donations will go to Zak's Goal.

Thank you for your generosity and your support for Mr Smith.



Bikes, Scooters and Outdoor Play Equipment



Could we please remind parents, children and siblings that bikes, balance bikes and scooters must not be ridden in the playground when dropping off and picking up.

Children are not allowed to use the outdoor play equipment unless they are supervised by school staff during the school day.

Please note that this is in the interest of the health and safety of all our children and families.

Thank you.



Toy Cars and Doll Clothes



If anybody has any toy cars or doll clothes that they no longer need, our Reception class would be very grateful of them.

Thank you.



School Meals

Orian, our school meals provider, make freshly prepared meals each day for our children and staff. Meals can be ordered daily before 9.30am, weekly or termly.



Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are entitled to a free school meal.

Please note that all meals must be ordered and paid for at home on School Hub.



Get ready St Luke's... Zack George, aka Gladiator Steel, is coming to school on Monday 5th October!

The Friends of St Luke's are delighted to be bringing Zactiv workshop to our school for a morning of energy, fun and inspiration, and there is NO CHARGE to pupils. This fantastic visit has been funded by a grant secured by the Friends of St Luke's (our PTA), meaning every child can take part. We shared the exciting news with the children in assembly on Wednesday!

Zack's interactive Zactiv presentation covers healthy eating, wellbeing and mindset, with breath-work, mindset activities and simple movements that everyone can join in with. There will be a whole-school interactive presentation, followed by classroom visits with Q&A, photo opportunities and signing. Every child will receive a **FREE** Zactiv water bottle and a signed picture of Zack to take home.

To really get into the Gladiator spirit, children can purchase their very own Gladiator-style foam hand for just £1.50. The foam hands will be given to the children on the day of Zack's visit, ready for them to cheer on Steel and get fully into the spirit of Zactiv.

To order a foam hand please use one of the payment methods below Foam hands will be distributed at school on Monday 5th October.

We can't wait to get St Luke's **ZACTIVATED!**

PayPal

Pay lowtonstlukespta@hotmail.com

Could you please ensure you select family and friends to avoid us having to pay PayPal charges. Please use your child's full name and year group as the payment reference.

Bank Transfer

Account Name: Friends of St Lukes

Account Number: 00854006 Sort Code: 30-19-56

Please use your child's full name and year group as the payment reference.

Cash

Please only use the cash option if you do not have the facility to pay via the other options. This must be given in a sealed envelope with the correct money, again with your child's name and year group. This can be passed on to your child's teacher.



Child's name: _____ Year group: _____

Payment made via (please tick): PayPal ☐ Cash ☐ Bank transfer ☐

Prospective Parent Tours

Tuesday 22nd September — 10.00am

Wednesday 23rd September — 1.30pm

Tuesday 29th September — 10.00am

Thursday 1st October — 10.00am

Tuesday 6th October — 10.00am

Thursday 8th October — 1.30pm

Thursday 15th October — 1.30pm

Tuesday 20th October — 10.00am

Thursday 22nd October — 10.00am

Tuesday 3rd November — 10.00am

Thursday 5th November — 1.30pm

Tuesday 10th November — 10.00am

Thursday 12 November — 1.30pm

Tuesday 17th November — 10.00am

Thursday 19th November — 1.30pm

Tuesday 24th November — 10.00am

Thursday 26th November — 1.30pm

Please telephone the school office on 01942 201140 to book on to a tour.



Dates for your Diary

Monday 21st September — Year 6 SATs Meeting 5.00pm

**Monday 21st September — Reception Class Reading Meeting
5.00pm**

Monday 21st September— Year 1 Phonics Meeting 5.00pm

**Monday 21st September— Golborne High School Presentation
for Year 5&6 Parents 6.00pm in School**

**Wednesday 23rd September—Lowton High School Presentation
for Year 5&6 Parents 3.30pm in School**

Thursday 24th September— Friends of St Luke's AGM 6.00pm

Friday 25th September— Year 6 Primary Progression Day at GHS

Monday 28th September— LHS Open Evening

**Thursday 1st October—Harvest Worship and Presentation of
Reception Bibles 2.15pm**

**W/C Monday 12th October— 275th Anniversary of St Luke's
School Week**

**Monday 12th October— Special 275th Anniversary Service with
the Bishop of Warrington**

Thursday 15th October— LLG Curling Competition

Friday 16th October— Decades Disco Day

**Saturday 17th October— St Luke's Church Heritage Day
Exhibition**

**Sunday 18th October— St Luke's Day Service in St Luke's
Church at 10.00am**

Tuesday 20th October—Parents Afternoon and Evening

**Thursday 22nd October— M&M Production of Snow White and
Non uniform Day (to raise funds for the School Fund, which is
used to buy such thing as the Reception and Year 6 Bibles,
Gardening Club equipment, Infant Christmas gifts amongst
many other things and also supports our sponsored child)**

Dates for your Diary Continued

**Friday 23rd October— School Closes for Half Term at 3.15pm
(ASC open as usual)**

Monday 2nd November— School Re Opens

**Wednesday 4th November— School Discos (Infants 4.00—
5.00pm and Juniors 5.15— 6.15pm)**

Thursday 12th November— Year 5&6 LLG Hockey Competition

Monday 16th November— Anti Bullying Odd Socks Day

Friday 20th November— Children in Need Non Uniform Day

Friday 20th November— Flu Vaccinations

Wednesday 2nd December— Flu Vaccination Catch Up

**Thursday 3rd December— Christmas Fayre Non Uniform Day
(KS1 please bring chocolate items and KS2 filled bottles)**

Thursday 3rd December— Year 3&4 Fencing Competition

**Tuesday 8th December— Non Uniform Christmas Jumper Day
for Save the Children and Christmas Dinner**

Wednesday 9th December— Infant Nativity 2.15pm and 5.00pm

**Thursday 10th December— Junior Carol Service 2.15pm in
School and 5.00pm at Church**

**Monday 14th December— School Choir Singing at Liverpool
Anglican Cathedral**

Tuesday 15th December— School Christmas Parties

Thursday 17th December— Christmas Worship 2.15pm

**Friday 18th— School Closes for Christmas at 3.15pm (ASC open
as usual)**

Wednesday 6th January— School Re Opens



Meet the Friends of St Luke's

Over the years, Friends of St Luke's has organised a wide range of events and fundraising activities for the children and families of St Luke's. From school disco's, sponsored dances, Christmas and summer fairs and a circus, all events have brought much fun, laughter and special memories for the children. More importantly we have raised valuable funds for the school which has helped to improve the school experience.

Victoria - Treasurer

I'm Victoria, mum to Charlie (y6) and Freddie (y4). I joined when Freddie was in y1 as I wanted to help to ensure the school continued to benefit from the valuable extra funds the PTA raises. I love being part of something positive, using my event planning skills and working alongside other parents to make a difference.



Emily

I've been part of the PTA for 10 years now, and with my youngest in y6, I'm wondering where the time has gone! I love getting involved because I have seen how much the children enjoy the events and activities we put on, and it's a great way to help raise money and give something back to the school.



Nina

I'm Nina, mum to two children in y3 and y4 and I have been part of the PTA for 3 years. I love being part of such a friendly and enthusiastic team, seeing the children enjoy everything from discos to sponsored dances. As a busy working mum, I know how hectic life can be, so I love that everyone contributes what they can, when they can.



Sarah

I'm Sarah, mum to a child in y6 and I first started helping with the PTA when my daughter was in y1. I especially love our Mother's and Father's day sales, seeing the children's excitement as they choose a special gift. I've also loved being involved in our first ever colour run. It's lovely to give something back to our amazing school and work together as a team.



Tori

I'm Tori, mum to Rupert (y1) and I joined when he started reception. Through my work supporting the DfE School Rebuilding Programme, I see first-hand how valuable additional fundraising can be for schools. I've loved helping organise events including the circus and Christmas fair, it's a great way to have fun and meet other parents.





Alexandra

I'm Alexandra, I have a child in y1 and I joined when my daughter was in reception. As a full-time working parent, I've really enjoyed meeting other parents and becoming part of such a supportive and welcoming group. It's incredibly rewarding to see the children enjoy our events and know that our efforts are helping make their school experience even more special.

Tracy

I'm Tracy, mum to Maddie (y1) and I joined when she was in reception. As a single mum who was relatively new to Lowton I joined to get more involved in the school, community and a way to meet other parents. It has been wonderful to be part of such an amazing team, see the children get so much enjoyment out of the events and help raise much needed funds for the school.



Want to get involved?

We'd love to welcome more parents to our team. You don't need lots of spare time or big commitment - whether you can help at an event, volunteer for an hour, share an idea or offer a particular skill, every little bit makes a difference. Even grandparents or other family members can get involved.

Come and join us, lend a hand when you can and help us make school life even more special for all our children.

Does your employer offer match funding?

Match funding is where employers can match money you raise or contribute to fundraising for charitable events. If your employer offers match funding and you would like to consider one of our events, please get in touch.



Keep up to date with upcoming events and information on our Facebook group www.facebook.com/groups/lowtonfosl/
We also post regular updates through the school newsletter.

Get in touch

We are a friendly approachable bunch, you can catch one of us in the playground at drop off/pick up. Or, drop us a message on Facebook or send an email lowtonstlukespta@hotmail.com

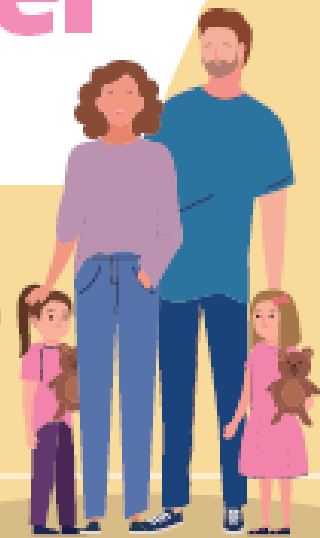


Parenting Offer

Supporting Families to Thrive

Wigan offer a range of evidence-based parenting programmes designed to support parents, carers and from pregnancy through to adolescence.

Our programmes are delivered across the borough through our Family Hubs, with both daytime and evening sessions available to make them as accessible as possible. Whether families are looking to strengthen relationships, build confidence, manage challenging behaviour, or navigate changes, there is a programme to meet their needs.



Our Parenting Programmes

The Nurturing Programme

Supports parents to develop positive relationships with their children by exploring behaviour, communication, emotional wellbeing and understanding children's needs.

Togetherness Teen

Designed for parents and carers of teenagers, helping families strengthen relationships, improve communication, and confidently navigate the challenges of adolescence.

Riding the Rapids

A series of age-specific programmes supporting parents of neuro-diverse children through key developmental stages:

- Preschool - Primary - Secondary

These programmes aim to help parents to understand and manage challenging behaviour shown by their child.

Youth Connect 5

Supports parents and to improve communication, emotional wellbeing, build stronger connections and promote positive family relationships.

Family Transitions

Helping separated parents adjust to significant changes such as separation, blended families, bereavement, or other transitions, while understanding the impact of parental conflict on children and supporting children's emotional wellbeing throughout these changes.

Reducing Parental Conflict Online Programmes

Our flexible online courses help parents strengthen their relationship and reduce the impact of conflict on children.

Say It Better

Develops positive communication skills, helping parents manage disagreements more constructively.

Growing Together

Supports expectant parents to understand how conflict affects children and provides practical strategies to improve relationships and create a positive home environment.

Who Can Access the Offer?

Our parenting programmes are available for parents, carers and families living in Wigan Borough. Professionals are encouraged to discuss the programmes with families and support referrals where appropriate.

Why Attend?

Families who attend our programmes often report:

- Improved parent-child relationships
- Greater confidence in parenting
- Better communication within the family
- Increased understanding of children's emotional needs
- Practical strategies to manage behaviour and conflict
- Stronger family resilience

Find out more

To find out more about upcoming programmes, session times or to make a referral, please contact earlyhelpdevelopmentteam@wigan.gov.uk

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Wave of *Light*

for baby & infant loss awareness



St Luke's Church will be open for private reflection,
prayer, candle lighting and remembrance activities for
anyone affected by the loss of a child at any time,
including those affected by infertility



All are welcome



St Luke's Church, Lowton, W3 2JA
15th October 2026
18:00 - 20:00

ACTIVITIES REFRESHMENTS FELLOWSHIP



LOWTON ST LUKE'S

CAFE CHURCH

**JOIN US FOR WORSHIP, LEARNING, FELLOWSHIP AND
FUN AT OUR FAMILY CAFE CHURCH SERVICES**

**2ND SATURDAY OF THE MONTH
FROM 10AM**



ALL ARE WELCOME



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 12th September at 10.00am.

