



ST. LUKE'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 2nd October 2026

Week Commencing Monday 5th October 2026

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| Monday | Woodwind Lessons
Zactiv Workshop
Multi Sports Club for Years 1 — 6
Collection of Cauliflower Cards |
| Tuesday | Cello/Piano/Keyboard Lessons
Year 4 Wider Opportunities Brass Lessons
KS2 Football Club
Prospective Parents Visit 10.00am |
| Wednesday | Voice/Drums/Guitar Lessons
Year 5+6 Football Club
Year 5+6 Netball Club
Individual Photograph Collection |
| Thursday | Piano/Keyboard/Violin Lessons
Prospective Parents Visit 1.30pm |
| Friday | Normal School day |



Harvest Worship and Presentation of Reception Bibles



Thank you to everybody who joined us for Harvest Worship and the presentation of Reception Class Bibles yesterday afternoon.

A very big thank you for all the Harvest gifts that have ben sent into school, which have been sent to a local food bank to help the needy in our community.

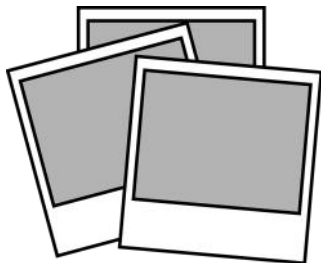
Cauliflower Cards

Please order your Cauliflower Cards Christmas items online at home and return your child's art work to school by Monday 5th October.

Thank you.



School Photographs



Please return all school photograph orders to school by Wednesday 7th October.

Thank you.

Earrings

Could we please remind parents and carers that earrings are not allowed to be worn by children in school for health and safety reasons.

If a child attends school wearing earrings parents will be contacted and asked to come to school to remove them.

Thank you.



Reception Eye Tests



Reception parents should have received a message yesterday via the Arbor App regarding their child's upcoming eye test.

If you do not wish for your child to have their eyes tested, please follow the link on the letter.

Speaking to Teachers

We know there may be times when you would like to speak with your child's teacher before school. To help keep mornings calm and focused for the children, we kindly ask that you pop into the school office first. Our office team will be happy to pass on a message or arrange for someone to speak with you as soon as possible.

This way, teachers can give their full attention to settling the children in and getting the day off to a positive start.

Thank you so much for your understanding and support with this.





School Discos — Change of Date and Time

Please note that the School Discos will now take place on Thursday 12th November.

KS1 — 5.00 — 6.00pm

KS2 — 6.15 — 7.15pm



In the Interest of Safeguarding — Childhood Illnesses

Could we please 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.



If your child is suffering from a high temperature or headache please seek medical advice — please do not mask the symptoms of a high temperature by administering paracetamol in order to send your child into school.

If your child is off school due to sickness or a contagious illness such as chicken pox and you still need to bring a sibling to school, please contact the school office to arrange drop off and pick up via the school office.



Please could we remind parents to be vigilant in checking for and treating headlice and threadworms.

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/Guidance_on_infection_control_in%20schools_poster.pdf



Appointments During the School Day

If your child has an appointment during the school day, please ensure that a copy of their appointment letter is sent into school for the official records. Thank you.

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.

We're doing a Christmas fundraising project!

Help us to raise funds!

Go to



cauliflowercards.co.uk/parents-shop



- Cards
- Mugs
- Playing Cards
- Spiral Books
- Gift Labels
- Wrapping Paper



ARTWORK MUST BE
RETURNED TO SCHOOL BY:

Monday 5th October



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Church Dates for Dairy

Thursday 15th October — Baby Loss Awareness Wave of Light

Church open for reflection, fellowship and candle lighting between 6.00 and 8.00pm



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'

Reception Admissions for September 2026

The online application form for Reception 2027 is now open.

Please follow this link <https://www.wigan.gov.uk/Resident/Education/Schools/School-Admissions/Primary-schools.aspx>

for the online application form.

Applications must be submitted by 15th January 2027.



Year 6 High School Applications

The online application form for Year 7 2027 is now open.

Please follow this link [Secondary schools \(wigan.gov.uk\)](https://www.wigan.gov.uk/Secondary-schools) for the online application form.



Prospective Parent Tours

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

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)

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

Monday 2nd November— School Re Opens

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

Thursday 12th November — School Discos, KS1 5.00 — 6.00pm, KS2 6.15 — 7.15pm

Friday 13th November— Children in Need Non Uniform Day

Monday 16th November— Anti Bullying Odd Socks Day

Friday 20th November— Children in Need Non Uniform Day

Friday 20th November— Flu Vaccinations

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Dates for your Diary Continued

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

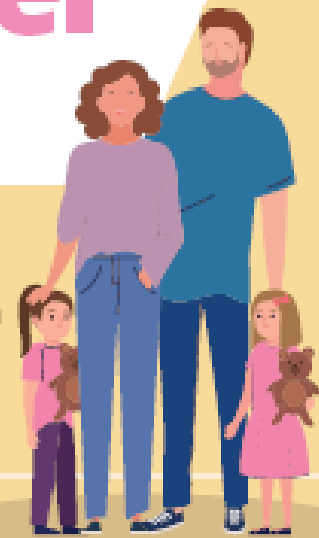


Parenting Offer

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

Wigan Borough
**family
hubs**



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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 10th October at 10.00am.

