

St. Luke's C.E. Primary School



The St Luke's Way

Newsletter Summer 2

Friday 21st July 2023

Welcome to the final St Luke's Way of this academic year and our last time to share with you some of the wonderful things the children have been doing in school.

May we take this opportunity to wish those leaving us at this time a lot of luck in their next chapter.

Have a lovely summer!

Eco Team

Eco team has had a great year and we are looking forward to bigger and better things next year.

Our biggest success this year was achieving green flag status, through no ends of hard work from the children and their enthusiasm to make our school greener and more environmentally friendly. We have enjoyed regular litter picks, tree planting at the infants, bug hotel making at Winton rec and more.

As part of our application the eco team have written an eco-code which represents our school and how we contribute to making it better.



Eco Code

Everyone for eco
Care for the climate
Our school is helping
Cool ideas to share
One earth only
Do your bit
Every animal matters



Reception

Reception beach trip!

After learning all about beach safety when the RNLI came to visit us at school, last week reception went on a very exciting trip to Alum Chine. On the beach we reflected on what we had learned in order to keep ourselves safe and made sure we could locate the flags and RNLI lifeguards. We invited our families to join us and celebrate our first year at school together. We had fun building sandcastles, finding shells and stones, digging in the sand and paddling on the water's edge. We enjoyed our lunch on the beach whilst scaring away those pesky seagulls and ended the day with a tasty ice-lolly!



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Year One



Year One started the half term with a pirate day. We dressed up as pirates, made treasure maps, found and made our own message in bottles and went on a treasure hunt.

In Maths we have been learning to tell the time to the half past and the hour and learning about money.



We had an amazing sports day. We did dancing, core balance and movement, teamwork games, watched some Wimbledon and loved having the Bronze ambassadors help with some more sports activities.

This half term we went to Brownsea Island and enjoyed exploring the

outdoors and getting to travel over by boat.



As scientists we have been learning about materials and used our knowledge to make masts and sails for pirate boats.



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Year Two

In Year 2 this term, we have been celebrating everyday heroes. We had a dress up day where everyone came in as their favourite hero. They had a wonderful time talking about how these heroes help us in our day to day lives. We were also lucky enough to have a nurse visit to answer any questions that the children had!

The children have also enjoyed practising for their Year 2 end of year show. They showcased all the things they have been learning throughout the year. Well done Year 2!



Year Three

Year 3 had a wonderful day at Roche Court. They explored all kinds of different sculptures and enjoyed sketching these with pencils, graphite, and chalk.

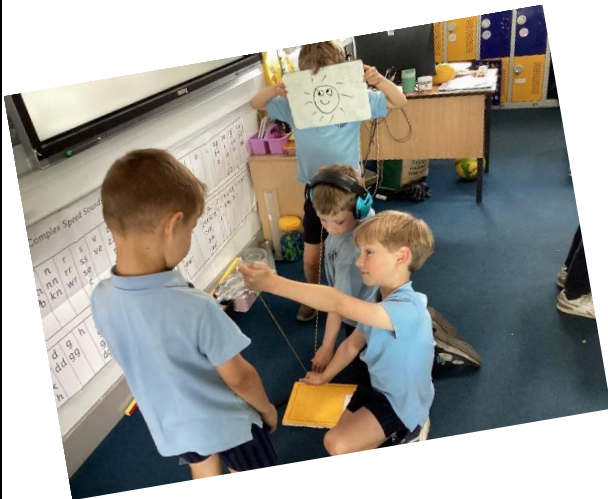


Year Three had a blast when Hermes came to visit us! He put the children through their paces to test that stamina, durability, speed and strength. Then they wrote fantastic newspaper articles about it!



Year 3 made clocks on the playground to support their learning on telling the time.

In science, they learned that light travels in straight lines and recreated this using wool and other objects.



Year Four

Light up Boxes

This half term, we have been working hard to design and create some light up boxes. We based our ideas on the book *The Last Bear*, a book we have been reading in English lessons. We had to first create our box and decorate it. Then came the tricky part, making the screen with our image. This was something that we struggled with but we persevered.



The Last Bear,

We have loved reading this book in our reading sessions. The book has led to some fantastic activities in English and Art such as creating diary entries about meeting the polar bear and creating illustrations and paintings based on the descriptions in the book. In these images we have explored using watercolours. We have also written letters to Prince William explaining how climate change is effecting our planet and ways in which we think we could combat this. We look forward to hearing his reply in September!



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Year Five

Year 5 have been working really hard in teams to design, create and sell beauty products as part of our enterprise topic. They have hand-made each of these products and put hours of effort into creating the packaging and advertising too. Each team set up their own market stall on the playground, decorated with posters and armed with flyers to hand out, and sold their amazing hair masks, body scrubs and bath bombs to customers. Thank you to anyone who bought a product and supported the children's hard work. What a fabulous end to Year 5!



Year Six

Street dance workshop

We were hugely privileged to have Isaac and Isaiah come into school and run a rap and street dance workshop for the children. Rap has historically linked itself with civil rights and this was a great way for the children to develop their creative writing skills. The street dance was super fun with many of the children happy to showcase their talents in the dance circle at the end and even add their own break-dancing moves!



Priory

Year 6 represented St Luke's, alongside 8 other schools, at the Christchurch Priory for their leaver's service. As a school, we created our own prayer that was unique to us for the service and also our own rhythm as part of a collaborative 'Ubuntu' music piece. After the service, the children enjoyed various activities such as clay gargoyle making, stain glass window design, prayer tree and a climb up to an upper section of the church for the hidden museum. Although I am sure the most memorable part for most was having an ice cream with their friends!



Music Festival

The music festival was a vibe and the children really allowed themselves to get into the festival spirit, enjoying many rock songs (before their time) with friends.



Year Six did a marvellous job performing our production *What a Knight!* putting on a fantastic show over 2 performances to their parents. They did wonderfully well learning so many lines, songs and dances as well as remembering their timings, their cues and their stage positions. Also, they seemed to really enjoy themselves whilst performing. We are all so proud of their amazing efforts.





PGL

It seemed like we have been waiting all year for the year 6 residential trip to PGL and this July the much anticipated adventure to Osmington finally arrived. With bags packed (and some bigger than others, but not mentioning names) we left St Luke's with a few teary parents in our wake. Excitement was high as we entered PGL and grabbed our things to find our cabins and start exploring. The first night we were treated to some team games and a taste for what was to come. Over the next few days, year 6 showed lots of courage taking on new activities that definitely challenged their resolution. Vertical challenge was a popular favourite along with the zipline. Mr Wakelin definitely showed his competitive side on Aeroball and took no prisoners! There was a resounding theme of camaraderie and love over the entire weekend as the children cheered and supported each other. The children trusted each other to successfully complete the blindfolded low ropes and team work allowed them to effectively build buggies. The relationships the children have constructed over their time at St Luke's became even stronger as they shared precious time together before their next steps onto secondary. The smiles, laughter and memories will last with the staff as much as the children and we thank them for representing St Luke's to their best abilities. Thank you year 6!







Year 6 Leavers' Party









Pupil Achievement



A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS TO SKYE!

Skye has made an incredible achievement after being invited to trials with AFC Bournemouth and becoming successful. Skye is now officially an AFC Bournemouth academy player after signing on with them on 19th June!

Approximately 70 girls trialled, with Skye being 1 of 7 chosen to join the squad.

Here is a photo of Skye at the stadium when she signed her contract.

We wish Skye the very best of luck following this amazing opportunity.

STEM Visit to the Chiropractic College in Bournemouth

At the chiropractic college we learned a lot about science. Here are just 5:

1. We learned all about an array of medical models that help students with their future careers
2. We saw Mrs Kilner put on weighted body wear to simulate being an old person
3. We also wore glasses that gave you different eye conditions such as glaucoma and macular degeneration
4. We got to wear headphones that simulated conditions such as tinnitus and deafness
5. Finally we wore gloves that gave you tremors using small electrical pulses

It was an amazing experience and I have embraced my love of science.

