



## Newsletter

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### Attendance

Our target is 96%.

Attendance to date from  
September 2018.

Please note difference	W/B 11/03	W/B 18/03
Mango (Nur)	90%	90%
Peach (Rec B)	93%	93%
Apple (Rec N)	94%	95%
Beech (1E)	96%	96%
Maple (1T)	96%	96%
Birch (2R)	96%	96%
Ash (2S)	97%	97%
Oak (3B)	94%	94%
Lemon (3D)	95%	95%
Aspen (4KN)	95%	95%
Spruce (4L)	96%	96%
Palm (5A)	96%	96%
Cherry (5S)	96%	96%
Willow (6G)	96%	96%
Cypress (6S)	93%	93%



**Lemon Class Mass**  
**Monday 9.15am**  
**All Welcome**

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Parent Teacher Consultation meetings

Thank you for coming in such high numbers to the Parent Teacher meetings this week. Every time I came into the hall there was a buzz and certainly the bookings for teachers were high.

If you were unable to make an appointment during these two days, and you would like to see the teachers, they will still be happy to arrange a time to see you. You can either arrange this at morning drop off or afternoon pick up, but if you use before and after school club provision, please feel free to call the main office and the staff will do their best to liaise with the teachers and make an appointment for you. We know the incredible benefit of these meetings and for that reason we are keen to be as flexible as possible, to enable you to have a detailed discussion with the teacher about your child's learning.

### Please feedback to us on—

#### Our Travel Survey:

If you did come to Parent Teacher Consultation meetings, hopefully you were given a Travel Survey. It would help us enormously if you could give us your feedback as we can then use your voice to help us lobby for change with the Council. Please, if you complete the survey, can you return it to the school office. If you have not received one and you would like to share your views, please ask for a copy from the school office.

#### Our school lunches:

Hopefully, you also had the chance to taste samples of our lunch menu and see how, particularly the salads, are presented for the children each day. Many of you shared feedback with me during the evenings however if you would like to pass on any thoughts, about the menu or what you tried, please do not hesitate to email me on [head@st-lukes.towerhamlets.sch.uk](mailto:head@st-lukes.towerhamlets.sch.uk)

#### Our playgrounds:

I'm sure you also saw the display of playground proposals that was in the main school foyer. We will leave this up in case you missed it so you can take the time to see what we are hoping to do. Additionally, in the main hall, there was a drawing that the children have been creating with our consultant, Myra Heller. This ground work is so important with the children, to ensure that when the works are finally approved and implemented, the children feel that they are getting what they hoped for and that they have been part of the solution. Again, if you did not have the chance to see this, and the Consultant emerging drawings, please let me know because I would be only too happy to share them with you.

#### Bike to School week

Next week this is taking place. To encourage children to bring their bikes to school, each day a Golden Lock will be attached to a bike. Once we know whose bike it is their names will be gathered and they will receive a 'prize' in celebration assembly. This is an initiative designed to encourage car free methods of getting children actively to school.

#### Spring Concert—Thursday 4th April

Madame McLucas has gathered together 120+ performers. Here is the programme for the event.

Y1 Whole class drums, Sarvesh 1T and Hannah 1E reading

Y2 Angel 2S - Last Supper reading

Y3 RE Ambassadors - Chelsea 3D and Infiniti 3B - Easter Story Bible Reading

Y4 & 5 Brass players including Aarian R 5A doing a trumpet solo

Y4 Readers - Adam 4KN and Siyana 4L

Y4L Soloists - Lina and then Chao both playing the piano

Y5A - French Eastertide/Lent Canon, Brass and some Guitars with Riddhima, Jalil, Connor, Chloe, Sienna, Zac, Harsheel, Reggie, Aarian K, Aaryan R, Dua, Dinagdee and Vyom.

5A Alice - Grade 1 Piano piece

5A Freddie - Reading

5S Guitars and French Eastertide/Lent Canon - Oliver, Sam, Imran A, Tatiana, Lily, Bolu, Harry, Ivan, Ishaq, Farha, Farhan, Chloe, Ariane

Y6G Raj - Prayer

Y6 Presenters - Emily (6S) and Angelina (6G)

We ask that you arrive to watch the concert from 2:15pm. To avoid interruptions to the performances, we will close the doors at 2:30pm for a prompt start. Thank you for your understanding.

Best wishes, Rebecca Abrahams

## Class catch-up

### Bonjour

Je voudrais..., s'il vous plaît / s'il te plaît. » = "I would like..., please." Pronounced, "Jshuh voodreh..., seel voo pleh / seel tuh pleh." Music: Please let Mrs McLucas know (or via class teachers) if you are interested in your child joining the THAMES Isle of Dogs' Children's Choir, Wednesday 4-5pm at St Edmund's School.  
7 THAMES Award string players worked hard and enjoyed their orchestra rehearsal at Rich Mix on Wednesday. Steve and Alasma were impressed with their playing and their behaviour. Well done!

### Nursery

In Nursery this week the children have been busy wrapping present for our Easter bunny!! We have been working really hard with our sound of the week 'h' as well as counting how many cars are on the road, in the sea and in the air. Next week we will be continuing with our Easter celebrations with reading The Easter Story and talking about how we celebrate Easter with our families. Look out for information about our upcoming Easter hat parade, details next week !!

### Reception

This week in Literacy we had a look at non-fiction books (information books, real life and facts). We learned about how these books often have pictures with labels and we wrote labels. In maths we learned about estimating (guessing) and then counting to check if we made a good or bad estimate. We has some special visitors to talk to us about the Hindu festival of Holi. A big thank you to those parents who met with us this week. It has been great to talk about the good progress your children are making in Reception. Thank you once again for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend.

### Year 1

Year 1 have been working hard this week, especially on our writing and maths. In English we have begun to write our own versions of Rumpelstiltskin and changing the main character. In Maths we have been learning how to divide numbers by sharing by 2 or 3. In Geography we have been learning about contrasting weather around the world and the differences between very hot places and very cold places. We even packed a suitcase for each weather condition! In RE we have been retelling all the important events in the Easter story. Have a good weekend!

### Year 2

This week in Year 2 we have been busy working on finding fractions of a shape and an amount. Next week we will be moving on to consolidate Money. In Literacy this week we have enjoyed exploring our new text 'The Sea Monster' and writing our own alternative endings to the story. Next week we will continue to use this to plan and write our own monster narratives. Have a lovely weekend!

### Year 3

We have continued investigating volcanoes this week and how they are formed. We have learnt some col facts and presented so others can learn too! We are learning to read aloud and perform the story "Brown Bear" in French. In literacy, we have been experimenting with using different sentence starters to make our writing more descriptive. We are learning to read aloud and perform the story "Brown Bear" in French.

### Year 4

This has been a busy and studious week in year 4, as it is assessment week so we have been taking a number of tests in reading and maths. In our geography, we have been looking at lines of longitude and latitude, and have used these to find the co-ordinates of different places across the world. In our RE, we have been learning about the Christian values of sharing love and peace, and how Christians might demonstrate this. Next week, in our English, we will be studying poetry. In French, we have been consolidating numbers to 31 and months and are looking at where Roman ruins exist in France. Have a lovely weekend!

### Year 5

In French, we are designing a "Menu du Jour", a typical French set lunch / dinner menu. For ideas and all sorts of interesting facts about France, have a look at <http://www.euroclubschools.co.uk> French zone. Have a great weekend

### Year 6

We have been bringing history to life in Year 6 with a role play session on The Blitz and are looking forward to writing diary accounts on this. In maths, we have been focussing on time and timetables so if you are using public transport this week please do take the opportunity to quiz your children. We have enjoyed seeing so many of you at parents evening this week and if you haven't been able to see us please do speak to us to arrange an alternative appointment. In French, we are learning facts about the key leaders in WWII in 1940 in the context of France. Have a great weekend.

## Community House News

**Coffee Morning** on Mondays from 9.00am in the Community House, please come along and join us for a coffee and a chat.

**Keep fit:** on Thursdays 9.00-10.00 in school. Crèche available on site.

**ESOL Life Skills Course:** on every Thursday, To develop their English Language Skills for work, further learning and everyday life.

**Employability Course:** Mondays 9:00-11.30. This course is in preparation to getting back into work. Building skills and confidence.

## Anna Fiorentini Easter Holiday Course

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