

## WELCOME BACK!

We hope you've all had a lovely summer. This week, we've welcomed several new children to our St Lucia's school family.

3 children in nursery, 8 in Reception and 6 new children across Year 2, Year 4 and Year 6.

Mr Mistry visited Class 4 yesterday and is looking forward to teaching Science, French and guided reading each Friday during this term whilst Mrs Bishton waits on the arrival of her new baby.

## NEW CLASS NAMES



**Chestnut  
Nursery**



**Rowan-Class 1  
Reception**



**Oak-Class 2  
Year 1 and 2**



**Willow-Class 3  
Year 3 and 4**



**Birch -Class 4  
Year 5 and 6**

Following our new school vision and values launch last term, we have decided to give our classes tree names linked to our school logo!

## NEW LAPTOPS

We are delighted to now be able to provide a new laptop for all children in key stage 2 and delivery is expected shortly!

## ECO SCHOOL AWARD



A huge 'Thank You' to Mrs Brennan and Miss Reacord, our Eco committee members- George N, Alice, Harrison, Pacey, Zara, George L and Jessica and support from our governor, Mr Willmore for all the hard work and effort shown over the past year to improve sustainability within our school and help us achieve the Green Flag Eco School status! A brilliant achievement!

## SCHOOL COUNCIL

Children will soon be voting for our new school council representatives to help lead projects and drive school improvement with support from our Vice Chair Mr. H. Barnes.

## ECO COMMITTEE

Our pupil representatives will continue their work again this year.

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Thank you for the returned replies to after school activities. Pupils in the Oak class upwards brought a letter home yesterday outlining all the options. We will be rotating a variety of clubs for different age groups over the year in six week blocks. Places will be confirmed shortly.

This half-term, the following clubs are:

- ✓ Chess
- ✓ Cookery
- ✓ Eco/Gardening
- ✓ Tennis
- ✓ Forest School

### **THANK YOU**

Many thanks to Mr Willmore, Mr Glazebrook and his team along with all other helpers for hugely improving our school grounds over the summer holidays!

You will have noticed the smart and tidy new garden border at the front of the school, the cleared landscaped bank by the car park. The playground blackboards have also been re-painted in addition to lots of other really useful repairs. We are very grateful for everyone's help to support us.

### **ACORN WASTE MANAGEMENT**

We have worked in community partnership with Acorn Waste Management over the summer as part of their local project linked to the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. St Lucia's school has been lucky to receive full support in providing us with newly constructed raised beds, one for each class. These are located on the school field by our running track and will be well used during the year. We will release a photo of thanks in next month's newsletter.

### **SCHOOL LUNCHES**

All children in the Reception class, Year 1 and 2 continue to receive daily free school meals from the government funded Universal scheme. Children are provided with a choice of meals each morning which are made fresh to order by our school kitchen staff Mrs Alexander and Mrs Pye.

If your child is now in Year 3 upwards, children can still choose a hot lunch, but for a cost of £2.40 per day. Please bring cash or a cheque made payable to Shropshire Council in a labelled envelope with your child's name and the amount and days of lunches required. We asked that this is paid in advance as lunches can not continue to be provided if there are outstanding arrears.

### **BRITISH FOOD FORTNIGHT**

Look out for a selection of British foods between 19<sup>th</sup> September and 2<sup>nd</sup> October.

### **LUNCH MENUS**

New lunch menus will continue to be available on our school website shortly. These are arranged in three week blocks. We ask that parents support us with school lunches as much as possible to help keep sustainability of the service, particularly with rising food costs. To support parents, the governors have kept the price of school lunches the same at £2.40 per day.

### **AUTUMN TERM TOPIC**

The topic for all classes this term is 'Our Wonderful World'. Within this learning we will focus on the environment and continue our Eco work. More information will be shared relating to class coverage via our class website pages this term.

### **PARENT QUESTIONNAIRES**

Thank you to those families who took the time to respond to our parent questionnaire at the end of last term. All the replies received by the July date have been collated. A more detailed summary will be provided on our website and please be assured that any additional comments have also been considered and actioned too.

We were pleased to see that 100% of parents agreed or strongly agreed that their child was happy at school and also felt safe. 100% of parents also agreed or strongly agreed that St Lucia's school provides a good range of subjects and 100% would recommend our school to others.

### **CALENDAR DATES**

We recognise that these are important to you, especially for working parents to be able to plan in advance. Please therefore see a list overleaf of future diary dates. Christmas events will be shared in next month's newsletter.

# St. Lucia's School and Nursery Calendar Dates-Autumn 2022



Further details will follow nearer to the time.

**1. Whole School Visit to Attingham Park-Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**2. Phonics Parent Workshop for Reception - Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2.30-3.00pm**

**3. Macmillan Coffee/Tea afternoon - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2.45-3.45pm.** *Parents/Grandparents welcome. Drinks and cakes served without the children until home time. If you would like to come with your child, please bring them after school between 3.15 - 3.45pm.*

**CAKE DONATIONS WELCOMED AND APPRECIATED.**

**4. Welcome assembly for the new Reception children - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September at 2.30pm.** *Parents of new Reception children are welcome to join us. This will be led by the Team Rector, Rev. Andy Ackroyd.*

**5. Nasal Flu vaccination for all year groups - Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

**6. Key Stage 2 English Workshop for parents - Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2.00-3.00pm and a repeat session at 3.30-4.30pm** *For parents of children in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6*

**7. Tea, Toast and Twitter -Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 4pm**

*For the past Year 6 group. This will be held in school and led by Rev. Andy Ackroyd*

**8. SATS workshop for parents of children in Year 2- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2.00-3.00pm**

**PD Day - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

**HALF-TERM Monday 24<sup>th</sup> - Friday 28th October (Return to school Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October)**