

## CELEBRATING THE SUCCESS OF THE SUMMER TERM...



*Thank You*

It gives me great pleasure to share the July news, another incredibly positive, productive and busy month here at St Lucia's. We have had many successful events, which have been fantastic experiences for the children; we have laid foundations for positive plans to grow as school moves forwards, we have received some fantastic pupil results (following SATS, Phonics Screening, Multiplication Check and EYFSP) and we have been able to celebrate and say thank you to some very special people.

As my first term here at St Lucia's draws to a close, I would like to thank everyone who has welcomed me so warmly and supported the journey of our school moving forwards over the term. This certainly is an exciting stage in the development of St Lucia's. Thank you to Parents, Carers, staff and the wider St Lucia's Community for so many contributions and so much support, it is all beginning to gather so positively to have the best impact on the children. From daily communication with Parents and Carers, to volunteers leading Netball and Football coaching, the art competition, school trips and more; it is wonderful to see the children thriving within all of this.

Wishing you all a very enjoyable summer break. We will look forward to welcoming the children, new staff and new families to St Lucia's in September!

Miss Coleman



## ST LUCIA'S SPORTS DAY AND SUMMER FAYRE...

We were lucky enough to have the sun shining on us in the end, as our Summer Fayre and Sports Day unfolded! A huge thank you to the 'Friends' and many parent and carer volunteers who made this event possible for the children.

Our Year 5 and 6 pupils did a fantastic job of helping to run Summer Fayre stalls, the picnic lunch was enjoyed by all and then the main event, Sports Day, was thoroughly enjoyed! All of the children were absolutely fantastic throughout the races, showing fantastic support for their peers. A big well done to Red House, our Sports Day winners. Thank you to all the parents/carers and family members who came and supported the event. Our Summer Fayre raised just over £400, which will go towards our environment developments, particularly Forest School and our new ELSA/sensory room.





## WHOLE SCHOOL TRIP TO CHESTER ZOO!

An incredible day was had by all, as we ventured on a whole school trip! From our youngest Nursery pupil to our oldest Year 6, every pupil (and adult!) had a fantastic day, full of learning, fun and exciting experiences at Chester Zoo.



## SUMMER WORKING PARTY - HELP NEEDED!



**PLANS NOW AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE!**

We have some exciting plans to continue to develop the school site. We would be extremely grateful of any help and support available from the school community and wider local community!

**PLANNED DATES - W/C 21ST AUGUST 2023**

We hope to...

- Develop Forest School environment and classroom outdoor areas
- Refresh the paint outside of our demountable classrooms
- Repaint the fence at the front of school
- Refresh the paintwork in main reception

**HELP  
NEEDED**

Please let us know if you might be able to volunteer to join us or donate any materials. Please also spread the word locally about our project!



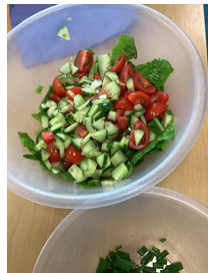


## POLICE DOG VISIT!

A big thank you to PC Anderson and PC Hindley who kindly visited with their amazing police dogs to give us a demonstration and presentation of police dog training. The children watched with great excitement and asked so many brilliant questions; they absolutely loved stroking the dogs.



## SALAD FROM THE RAISED BEDS!



We have all been enjoying some home grown salad with our school dinners in recent weeks. With so much produce from the raised beds Class 3 enjoyed a class project, making potato salad, to end the term!

## YEAR 5 AND 6 CELEBRATIONS!

We had some wonderful celebrations in store for our Year 5 and 6 pupils to celebrate their hard work and achievements and wish Year 6 well as they move on.

Year 6 has a special visit to Love2Stay, kindly half funded by Friends. The children enjoyed a range of activities, including tie dye, an obstacle course and canoeing.

Year 5 and 6 then enjoyed a surprise party, which was partly planned by our Y5 for their Y6 friends!





## SHROPSHIRE COUNTY CRICKET!

Last Friday we were lucky enough to have Ben Smith, a coach from Shropshire County, for a day of Cricket! Each class enjoyed the opportunity for a fun cricket session throughout the day. We look forward to further Cricketing opportunities next Spring!



## ROCKSTEADY ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCE

With great enthusiasm, pupils arrived to a 'rock band' experience in assembly last Tuesday. Pupils learnt all about the different instruments and the roles of the different band members. Everyone was most excited when Mrs Smith took on the role of drummer and Mrs Nelson played the keyboards!







## GOOD LUCK TO OUR YEAR 6 LEAVERS

Wishing the very best of luck to our wonderful Year 6 pupils, who leave us and continue their academic journey at secondary school. We are all extremely proud of you all, and wish you every success in the future! Do keep in touch with us, we look forward to welcoming you back to visit and hearing about your adventures.



## FAREWELL MRS BRENNAN, MRS BROOME AND MRS PYE

We have had three very special 'Thank You's' to make, to three ladies who have shown immense dedication to St Lucia's. Earlier this month we wished Mrs Pye a very happy retirement and thanked her for all of her hard work in the kitchen.

To end this term we have said a special farewell to both Mrs Brennan and Mrs Broome, we were delighted to be joined by Parents, past pupils and members of the St Lucia's community to celebrate and share fond memories of their time at St Lucia's. We would like to take this opportunity to thank them both for their kindness, care and commitment and wish them every happiness in retirement.





## UPCOMING DIARY DATES

Tuesday 5th September - Back to School! - First day of Autumn Term

W/C 11th September - new blocks of themed After School Clubs begin

Friday 16th September - Whole School Topic Day - children to dress up linked to new class topic (EYFS - Autumn/Harvest, KS1 - Toys, Y3/4 - Stone Age, Bronze Age, Iron Age, Y5/6 - The Vikings)

Tuesday 26th September - Families to Lunch - Surnames A-F

Tuesday 3rd October - Families to Lunch - Surnames G-P

Tuesday 10th October - Families to Lunch - Surnames Q-Z

Friday 20th October - Harvest Service at Church - Parents/Carers invited

Friday 27th October - PD day

W/C 30th October 2023 - Half Term

Tuesday 19th December - final day of Autumn Term - Break up for Christmas Holiday.

Further diary dates to be shared September 2023, advance notice given of the above dates to help with forward planning!

The full 2023-24 term dates can be found on our website.

## WRAP AROUND CLUBS IN SEPTEMBER

Sunrise and Sunset Club will continue to run 7.45-8.45am and 3.15pm onwards, until 5.45pm latest.

For the first week after the holidays After School Club will be just as wrap around care only for those who require it. From the second week we will begin a new block of themed club for the first hour (3.15-4.15pm) open to all, followed by wrap around/extended wrap around options. We have some exciting prospects planned and will share these upon our return and open the bookings.

Thank you for the positive feedback about the offer of breakfast at Sunrise Club and the extended wrap around (5.15-5.45pm) at Sunset Club.

## PARKING

Out of courtesy to local residents, please can we ask on drop off, pick up and when visiting the school site during the day, that vehicles are not parked in a position restricting access to any driveways.



Please see information of events and opportunities which may be of interest.

# POP-UP SUMMER

## Pop-Up Praise & Play

Friday 28th July, 11am - 12.30pm  
St Lucia's Church, Upton Magna

## Pop-Up Youth Night

Tuesday 1st August, 6.30 - 8pm  
Withington Village Green

## Pop-Up Family Fun Afternoon

Wednesday 9th August, 12 - 2pm  
St Lucia's School Field, Upton Magna

## Pop-Up Cafe

Thursday 31st August, 9am - 12pm  
St Lucia's Church, Upton Magna

**MORE INFO: REV OLIVIA 07494 781216**

# POP-UP SUMMER

## Pop-Up Praise & Play

Songs, stories and playtime for under 5s.  
Older siblings welcome.  
Please bring a picnic lunch.

## Pop-Up Youth Night

Football, food, friends,  
Uno and other games  
Year 6+

## Pop-Up Family Fun Afternoon

Bring a picnic, hang out on the field.  
Garden games, stories and songs!

## Pop-Up Cafe

Tea, coffee, cake.  
All welcome!

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