

March Newsletter

March 2024

OUR EASTER SERVICE: RESURRECTION ROCK!





It was wonderful to share our Easter Service 'Resurrection Rock' at St Lucia's Church. After the pupils' excitement and enjoyment throughout our Christmas service preparations we were inspired to continue the theme! It was lovely to see pupils hard work come together and confidence shine as they shared the Easter story.



SPRING SURPRISE



As a 'Thank You' for a fantastic Spring term there was a special surprise waiting for the children and their families back at school, after the Easter Service. Home Farm at Attingham helped us to arrange an exciting selection of Spring visitors for the pupils to meet. Children were excited to hold chicks and rabbits and even met a lamb, a kid and some hens!



SENSORY AND SPIRITUALITY WORKING PARTY PROJECT





We are so grateful to the volunteers who supported us to make such fantastic progress with our new Sensory and Spirituality garden. We were overwhelmed with the generosity and kindness from our school community. Special thanks to Mr Glazebrook and team, Mr McGrath and Mr Willmore. A huge thank you to all who came along to support us over the two days. We are so excited for the next part of this project and creating this space for our pupils.





EYFS TRIP TO LUDLOW





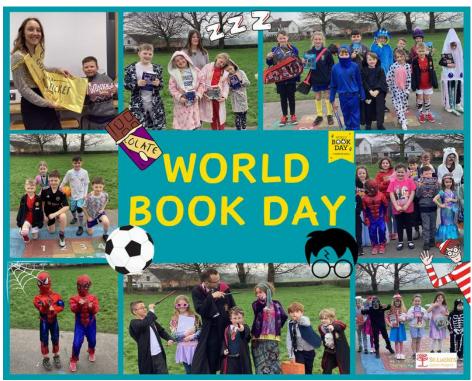
As part of this term's topic – Castles, EYFS visited Ludlow Castle and Museum. After an exciting journey on the coach, the children took part in various activities including a role play banquet. The children had a great time learning about the castle and what it was like to be a cook a long time ago. It was lovely for the children to see a castle in real life and make connections with their learning this term!



WORLD BOOK DAY - 7TH MARCH

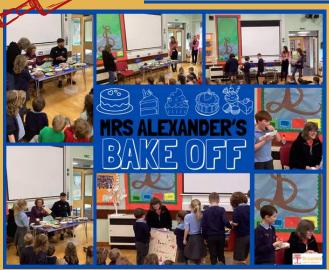


On Thursday 7th March, World Book Day took over St Lucia's! We had lots of amazing costumes from the pupils favourite books, we had comic book action heroes, sportspeople, animals, wizards, schoolchildren and more! Thank you for all the help and support with the costumes, we loved all the time and effort that had gone into them! The children partook in World Book Day activities such as quizzes, bookmark making and enjoyed hot chocolate, kindly donated by the Haughmond, in our relax and read zone!





MRS ALEXANDER'S BAKE OFF



At the start of the month, Mrs Alexander retired from her role as Cook. She had been working at St Lucia's, providing delicious and nutritious food for the pupils and staff for over 25 years! To say thank you for this dedication, we made her the head judge of her surprise bake off! Mrs Alexander judged alongside Mrs Nelson and Mr McPhail and rated the impressive 13 entries the pupils had made. 13 lucky children also got the opportunity to judge alongside the panel. Thank you to all the pupils for putting so much effort into their baking and, of course, thank you Mrs Alexander!

WILLOW BASKETBALL COMPETITON

At the start of the month, Mr Smith took 10 pupils from Willow class to a basketball tournament at Belvidere School. Our two teams played 5 games each and ended up in second and third place overall! Mr Smith was really impressed with their hard work and their team mentality. They represented the school amazingly!



















We have also had four of our Year 5
pupils participating in a Maths
Challenge at Wrekin college. They
worked together in pairs to solve
physical and mathematical puzzles,
moving around the room. Our St
Lucia's team ended up placing in the
middle of the leader board - well done!









CROSS COUNTR

We were very proud to be represented by some fantastic runners at the inter-school Cross Country event at Attingham Park.

Pupils raced alongside other pupils in their year groups. A really big well done to:

Tommy (2nd place), Harry (24th) and Isobel (33rd) Isaac (31st), Jack B (35th) Eva (3rd), Tilly (2nd)





SUMMER TERM CLUBS





We are so pleased to have so much positive feedback around the opportunities for our pupils and are please share our new themed clubs running until May half term:

Monday - Sweet Treats - each week have fun following a simple recipe to create an edible treat with Miss Bennett and Miss Charnell!

Tuesday - Craft and Create - children will be given the opportunity to let their creativity flourish as Miss Oliver leads them in some exciting crafty acitivities!

Wednesday - Shropshire Sings - have some fun learning some new songs with Miss Coleman and Miss Bennett and get ready to represent St Lucia's at this years Shropshire Sings event!

Thursday - Gardening - Get your green fingers at the ready and enjoy gardening with Jacqui, Mrs Wood and Mrs Nelson!

Friday - Rounders - our ever popular Friday sports club will be focused on Rounders this term, as Mr McPhail teaches tips, tricks and techniques on the field!

Wraparound provision is available from 7:45 to 5:45 daily (until 4.15 Friday). All clubs can be booked on the SchoolMoney app, please see the School office with any questions.



WELCOME TO MISS JONES



Following Mrs Alexander's retirement, we have welcomed Miss Jones, our new Cook in Charge! Miss Jones has spent two weeks getting to know the children and has developed a set of new menus with the help of the School Council! The three week menus will start the week back after Easter (w/c Tuesday 9th April) and can be found on our website - under 'School Lunches' in the Parents' Area.









<u>FRIENDS UPDATES</u>



During March, Friends, our PTA, have hosted some fantastic events! The first was Mother's Day craft night where the children made cards and hanging decorations in preparation for Mother's Day. Secondly was a family bingo night where families came together to enjoy a few games of bingo, winning lots of Easter treats and prizes! The Friends also organised Easter Egg hunts for all the pupils on the field on the last day of term, going out in Class Groups to hunt the grounds looking for clues and eggs!









SCHOOL UPDATES



The Library van is back!

Earlier this month, the library van was repaired and is now back to visiting the village every other Friday! Pupils will continue to rotate in small groups, visiting the library and choosing a selection of books to bring back onto school each fortnight.

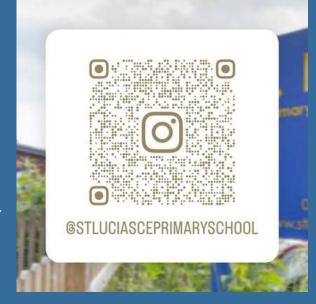
Understanding Your Child course complete

The last week of the Spring term saw the last session of our Understanding Your Child course. We want to say a huge thank you to Bev Williams, Mrs Wood and the parents who participated in the course and enabled us to host this. We are so glad that Parents and Carers found this such a positive and beneficial experience and look forward to working further with the Parenting Team at Shropshire to share opportunities.

FIND US ON INSTAGRAM!

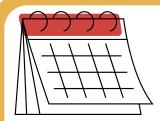
We have set up a school Instagram page to enable us to share highlights and snippets of life at St Lucia's. The intention of the page is to have a more instant facility for us to share insights of school life.

Please search for us @stluciasceprimaryschool to see updates. We would love you to like and share our posts and help to celebrate our school!

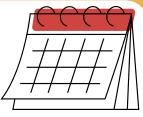








DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Tuesday 9th April - First day of Summer term

Monday 12th April - Y5/6 Tag Rugby Competition

Friday 19th April - Summer term topic day, letter to follow (EYFS - Chestnut/Rowan - Our World, Y1/2 - Oak - Kings and Queens, Y3/4 - Birch - Ancient Egypt, Y5/6- Willow - Ancient Greece)

Saturday 20th April - Final 1.1 miles for the cumulative half marathon at the West Midlands Showground

Thursday 25th April - Family to lunch - Surnames A-F Thursday 2nd May - Family to lunch - Surnames G-P Thursday 9th May Family to lunch - Surnames Q-Z

Monday 13th May - KS2 SATS week

Monday 27th - Friday 31st May - Half Term

We look forward to our class trips and other events across the Summer term.

Further dates to follow.







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