

January Diary Dates

Tuesday 5th	8.45am	School Opens
Tuesday 5th	9.30am	Pantomime in school. Jack and the Beanstalk – No Charge.

HOLIDAY DATES

School Opens	8.45 a.m.	Tuesday 5th January 2016
School Closes	3.15 p.m.	Friday 12th February (Half Term)
School Opens	8.45 a.m.	Monday 22nd February
School Closes	3.15 p.m.	Thursday 24 th March (Easter)

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St Lukian Newsletter



January 2016



Welcome back and Happy New Year! I hope you had a great Christmas. I'm certain 2016 will bring with it many successes for all our pupils.

Icy Conditions! - Please ensure that as you enter the school grounds pupils stick to the gritted areas. This will help to keep everyone safe! Our snow and icy conditions policy is available from the school office on request.

Year 6 SATs Parents Meeting – shortly we will be holding an information meeting for Year 6 SATs. If you have a child in Year 6 please try to attend as we will be sharing lots of important information. Date and time to follow soon.

“Catch it, kill it, bin it” – we will be spending time with pupils discussing basic hygiene and the above campaign. Please be sure to discuss this with your child so that we can minimise the effect of seasonal coughs, colds and flu like symptoms! Check out the posters around school for more information. We will also be encouraging hand hygiene to prevent the spread of nasty viral infections!



Labelling your child's uniform – Please make sure that anything your child brings to school, ie uniform, PE kit, lunch boxes, hats, coats and scarves are clearly labelled with their name. Thank you.

Christmas Fayre - We raised a whopping £1,222.30. Thank you all for your support. I would also like to thank the following businesses for supporting our Christmas Fayre:

Portofino, Hanley
Woods Pies, Cheadle
Marks and Spencer, Hanley
Brewers Fayre, Hanley

Morrison's, Hanley
Fenton Fun Factory
New Vic Theatre, Basford

Parking – Please park safely and legally around school. Please do not park on the zig-zag lines outside school. Parents/Carers that do this risk causing serious injury to pupils as it makes it difficult to get a clear view of the road. Please can you ensure that you do not park in Residents Only bays. Not only will this

land you with a ticket but it also makes life difficult for our local residents. Please be respectful of this. Remember that there are lots of spaces to park for free on St. Anne Street during the morning drop off. The bottom of Wellington Road is also an area with lots of space to park legally and safely.

E-Safety – We will be holding our E-Safety training sessions for parents shortly. More information on dates and times will be released shortly. We now have pupil E-Safety Officers in school who will help children to pass on any internet or mobile phone based worry that they might have. We also have chip@sqfl.org.uk who the children can send worrying or upsetting emails to, so that we can deal with them. Our E-Safety policy is available to view in the school office. It is reviewed by School Council annually so that the Cyber-bullying element is considered alongside our Bullying Policy. Please visit our website for lots of information about keeping your child safe both on and off line. Our website provides direct information or links to other websites that can give advice. The “NSPCC”, “thinkyouknow” and information about radicalisation are all there for you.

Snow – Every year we try to make sure that, whatever the weather, our school remains open. In the event of snow we have to make a decision based on the number of staff we are able to get into school so that we can operate in line with legal ratios. We will also make a decision early, normally by 7.30 a.m. so that alternative arrangements can be made.

Annie - We have organized a theatre trip to see “Annie” (starring Lesley Joseph) on the evening of Thursday 4th February. More details to follow.

School Trips – School trips are an important part of your child's education and we do everything we can to minimize costs through subsidy and aiming to stay local where we can.

We are noticing that there are ever increasing costs which are usually down to transport. We are happy to support parents on payment plans for trips where difficulty is experienced. Please speak to the school office if you feel that this would benefit you.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr M.A. Barlow
Headteacher