



Summer Term 1

GOD'S LOVE IN ACTION

WELCOME



Welcome to the Summer edition of this half terms magazine.

Last term was packed full of fun and inspiring learning opportunities across the academy. Lower Key Stage 2 had a fantastic time at Bilberry. Whilst EYFS & KS1 enjoyed having visitors from the emergency services.

UKS2 help lead the activities for Red Nose Day where All Saints raised over £1000.

There's lots we are looking forward to this term, especially Sports Week that is coming up.

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Executive Headteacher



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Early Years Foundation Stage

Nursery & Reception

PE DAY

Wednesday

Please leave your PE kit on your peg and take home at the end of term for washing.

Shared Library

3.10pm every
Monday

Handwriting Mornings

We will be having handwriting mornings every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday from 8.45am – 8.55am. All parents are welcome to stay with their child and do their handwriting

Last Term's Highlights



The children had a fantastic time with the doctors, firefighters and policemen visiting our class.

We have enjoyed learning about empathy and exploring what it means.



World Book Day was a fun day! The children enjoyed dressing up, reading stories and discussing them.

Topics This Half Term:

This half term we will be learning about the life cycle of a Caterpillar.



Key Stage 1

Years 1 & 2



PE DAY

Monday & Thursday

Please leave your PE kit on your peg and take home at the end of term for washing.

Guided Reading starts at 9:00am prompt - don't be late for school.

Last Term's Highlights



We had Our Senses assembly and enjoyed learning about how important our five senses are to us.



We have enjoyed a visit from a super cool Police Officer who came to talk about road safety with us! We asked lots of questions and learnt how to cross roads safely.



As part of our 'Transport' topic, we designed and made our own vehicles using junk models. We made planes, boats, cars and trains - they look amazing!



Topics This Half Term

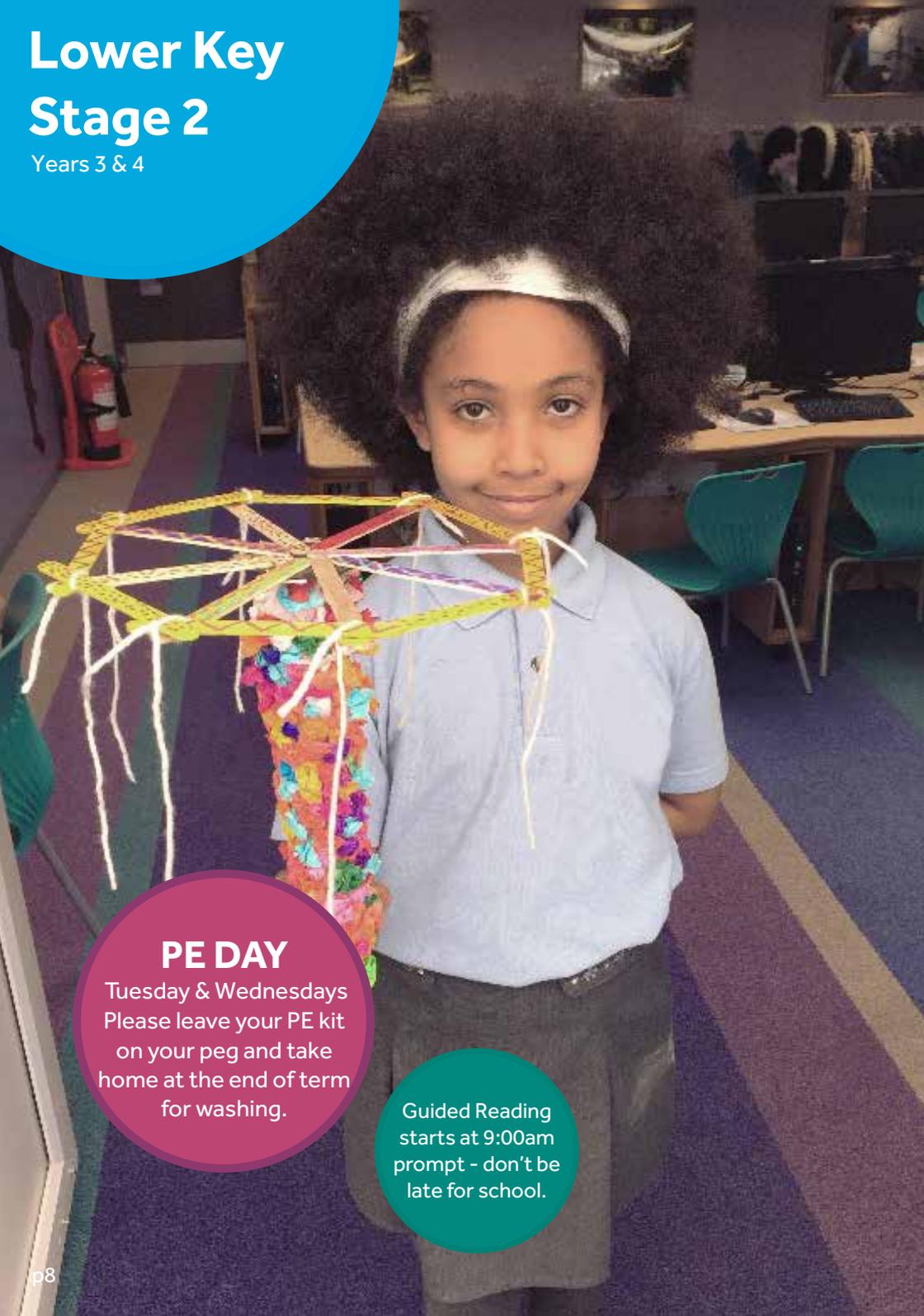
This half term, we will be become plant detectives for our Science topic and we will also be looking at Take One Picture.



Lower Key

Stage 2

Years 3 & 4



PE DAY

Tuesday & Wednesdays
Please leave your PE kit
on your peg and take
home at the end of term
for washing.

Guided Reading
starts at 9:00am
prompt - don't be
late for school.

Last Term's Highlights



Red Nose Day was a great success as the children created their own stalls/activities to raise a phenomenal £132 in just over an hour. The children worked incredibly hard to make the afternoon a success and came up with some superb ideas and ran their stalls very professionally.



Many of the children had a great time at Bilberry in the Lickey Hills. They took part in a wide range of activities that included; shelter building, raft building and survival skills. If you ever get lost on a desert island you know who to ask!



As a phase, we have designed our own theme park with a plethora of rides. From a modern roller coaster to a traditional carousel, each group produced a working model and evaluated their work. The electrical motors were a bit tricky!

Topics This Half Term

This half term we will be developing our musical knowledge, by composing our own piece of music, using a range of instruments. We will be recording this, so keep an eye on the website. We finish the term with Sports Week, when we will be competing against our peers, and learning about the benefits of sport and physical activity.



Upper Key Stage 2

Years 5 & 6



PE DAY

Thursday & Fridays

Please leave your PE kit on your peg and take home at the end of term for washing.

Guided Reading starts at 9:00am prompt - don't be late for school.

Last Term's Highlights



The Battle of Sterling bridge was a great highlight. UKS2 re-enacted the victory of the Scots with William Wallace. They put on a fantastic and dramatic performance. Well done!

We are very proud of how much hard work the children put into Comic Relief this year. UKS2 did a great job of baking delicious cakes in their own time and selling them to the rest of the School. They also completed a sponsored rowing challenge, where the children managed to raise lots of money.



The children have been hard at work practicing for the Symphony Hall - showing off their talents to the class by performing different versions of some classic tunes!

Topics This Half Term

This half term we will be preparing for SATs week which we know all the children are working hard for. We will also be examining different life-cycles and creating volcanoes for our Pompeii project.



Social & Emotional Learning



This half term our SEL focus is Motivation

Social and Emotional Learning (SEL) is the way in which we teach our children to develop fundamental life skills.

At St Thomas CE Academy we believe it is important to teach the **WHOLE CHILD** and not just focus on academic learning.

This provides the opportunity for for children to set achievable goals. We help them acknowledge they may come across barriers which they need to overcome. We look at how failure and mistakes can make us stronger – by learning from them. One of our favourite phrases is **FAIL** (First Attempt In Learning). This outlook on life encourages children to persevere and never to give up.

Key Stage One

Learning Objectives

- To know right and wrong and make choices
- To know the difference between wants and needs
- To set a simple personal goal

Success Criteria

- I can make an informed decision
- I can list my basic needs
- I can choose a realistic goal

Lower Key Stage Two

Learning Objectives

- To understand what helps us overcome barriers
- To know how to make wise choices

Success Criteria

- I can identify ways to overcome barriers
- I can take responsibility for what i choose

Lower Key Stage Two

Learning Objectives

- To know how to be an effective leader
- To know why we need rules

Success Criteria

- I know the skills and stributes of an effective leader
- I know why laws are important





SATS

**BREAKFAST FOR YEAR 6 IS AVAILABLE AT 8AM
DURING SAT'S WEEK**

Make sure your child relaxes and has fun over the weekend and gets plenty of sleep.

Encourage your child to be confident about their ability to do well.

Support your child in working through their homework.

Use the internet to help:

[www.bbc.co.uk/
education](http://www.bbc.co.uk/education)



Easter Poem Winners

Mum came in and looked at the mess.
What a big mess you made, she cried.

Super vocabulary and use of sentence types well done!

Date: Friday 3rd March 2017
SC I can divide on a sign for my poem.
I can include rhymes.
I can include illustrations.
I can include a simile.
I can include a metaphor.
I can include a simile or metaphor in my poem.

Easter is a time to celebrate
time to create
something that shows kindness
to show how forgiving
very gift and joy
Remember this this poem with joy!

Excellent rhymes today, well done.

The Easter poem
The time has come
Eggs will rise with the sun
Angels sing in the air
Not all about easter eggs,
But also about celebrating
And creation
to represent the life
That God has original.



E Everyone loves a special Easter because it's a time of happiness

Mazing things come out like decorations and bunnies

So many people gather round at our amazing day

Transitions are here to stay, but remember that's not all to say

Eat, eat all the way but don't eat too much chocolate anyway

Resurrection is always available for everyone all day

by Olive.E
Yr 1st Thom SCE
Academy

Easter eggs, Yellow and blue
Easter eggs, For me and you.
Easter eggs, Candy sweet
Easter eggs, Are good to eat
Easter eggs, Pretty and funny.

What fun is it to have eggs that are white? That's why we slip them out of sight. It might be really hard to wait, but we know the results will be great. Red, Yellow, blue and green. The prettiest Easter eggs you've ever seen!

Dates for Your Diary

May

1

Bank Holiday - School Closed

4

School closed for voting

8

Key Stage 2 SATs

Monday 8 - Friday 12 May

9&10

EYFS LIEP - What Happens in a Synagogue?

Visit to Synagogue 9.30AM

15

Key Stage 1 SATs

Monday 15 - Friday 19 May

15&16

EYFS LIEP - What happens in Church?

St Luke's Church 9.30AM

22

Sports Week

Monday 22 - Friday 26 May

After School Clubs

Mondays

Fashion Designers

Year 3-4-5-6

Martial Arts

Year 1-2-3-4-5-6

Tuesdays

Capoeira

Year 1-2-3

Tag-Rugby

Year 4-5-6

Wednesdays

Art Attack!

Year 1-2

AVFC Football

Year 3-4-5-6

Thursdays

Gymnastics

Year 1-2-3

Ready, Steady, Cook!

Year 4-5-6

Fridays

Roller-Disco

Year 1-2

Vigour Boarding

Year 3-4-5-6



More information along with a downloadable sign-up form can be found on the Extended Clubs page of the school website.

SPORTS

Urban
Freestyle
Theme

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// 22-26 MAY //

World-class stunt team
performance by Team
Extreme

Sports Day Monday 22nd May

Academy Race Day @ NIA
Friday 26th May

Celebration Assembly at
NIA
(time to be confirmed)



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St Luke's Church



ST LUKE'S CHURCH AND ST THOMAS' ACADEMY

Hello everyone!

How fast this year is going! Both in your joys and your challenges I pray you find strength for each day and that you can be thankful for both the small things and the big things.

FOOD SHARE

Do you enjoy cooking? Would you like to meet other people?

Our exciting Food Share project is now underway it.

It stops food being wasted – every Monday morning I pick up food from a local Tesco

Express that would have been put in the bin at the end of day on Sunday

It helps us learn new recipes – as we think what to cook with the food

It provides a fun morning – being alongside others, cooking and some eating too!

Do come along or talk to Rev Amanda about the project.

SUNDAY SERVICES

Our Sunday service at **11am** every week is a time of song, prayers, and a talk based on the Bible. It is a time to worship God together. During the service there is a group for children where there is crafts, a story time and games.

You are always welcome.

HALF TERM ACTIVITY MORNINGS

During the Spring Bank Half Term there will be two activity mornings running from **10.30 – 12noon**.

Tuesday **30 May** we will have a craft morning

Thursday **1 June** there will be a games morning

At each session there will be a refreshments and a Bible story

Children must be accompanied by an adult.

ALL FREE. ALL WELCOME

Please be assured that I hold children, parents and staff of St Thomas' in my prayers. I'm also always available if you want a chat.

Rev Amanda 0121 622 2435 <http://www.st-lukes-church-centre.org.uk/>

End of term Stars



MOST IMPROVED READER OF THE TERM

Nursery: ANIYAH'RAE
 Reception: ELDANA
 Year 1: REAIAH
 Year 2: JOANNE

Year 3: OMARION
 Year 4: L'NAYAH
 Year 5: REECE
 Year 6: DEARNO



Nursery: ARJUN*
 Reception: LADEN
 Year 1: NADIR
 Year 2: ASHI

Year 3: ELISE
 Year 4: MEKKHI
 Year 5: ARMAN
 Year 6: JAHQUAN

MOST IMPROVED WRITER OF THE TERM

MOST IMPROVED MATHEMATICIAN OF THE TERM

Nursery: ANANYA
 Reception: KAI
 Year 1: VANESSA
 Year 2: ELVA

Year 3: ARTAN
 Year 4: FRANKY
 Year 5: MICHELLE
 Year 6: KIYAN



NURSERY: ZACHARIAH
 RECEPTION: KHEIRRA
 YEAR 1: TAMIRA
 YEAR 2: RYAN

YEAR 3: HENOC
 YEAR 4: MAHDI
 YEAR 5: SARAH
 YEAR 6: A'MARN

SPORTSPERSON OF THE TERM

Citizenship Award

Citizenship Award



Ethan

He is very polite. Every morning, he comes in and says "good morning" to the teachers. During independent activities, he is always on task and shares with his friends. At tidy up time, he always make sure all the equipment has been put away and the chairs are tidy. He always takes responsibility for his own actions.

Nursery



April 2017



Citizenship Award



Kade

Kade is an active and enthusiastic learner. He loves sharing his ideas with the class. He is always on task during independent activities. He is kind and caring to his friends.

Reception



April 2017





Citizenship Award

Ruqayya

Ruqayya is a delight to teach and to have in the classroom. She helps other children and enjoys doing tasks for the teachers. She always has a smile on her face and contributes to lessons and class discussions. She is positive and friendly inside and outside of the classroom.

Year 1



April 2017



Citizenship Award

Elina

Elina is a quiet, responsible young lady. She enjoys helping in lessons and is gradually starting to grow in confidence. She works extremely hard in lessons and is a very good friend to others. She is positive and friendly, kind and caring - what a superstar!

Year 2



April 2017

Citizenship Award



Citizenship Award

Rebecca

She is a quiet and hardworking girl who always tries her best. She never gives up and perseveres through any problem, with a positive outlook. Rebecca is hungry to succeed in all areas of the curriculum.



Year 3

April 2017



Citizenship Award

Zakira

She has been working really hard in all subjects, and has an excellent attitude to learning. Has become a fantastic role model in the class and can be trusted to carry out important jobs independently.



Year 4

April 2017





Citizenship Award

Collins

She has a kind heart and a fantastic nature, never complaining about another child. She is a friend to everyone she meets and has been working hard ever since joining our school. Always willing to help and take on extra jobs.

Year 5



April 2017



Citizenship Award

Abdul

A great all rounder! Full of laughs and always working hard - trying his best to improve and succeed. Never complains and always helps out in the classroom. Great attitude!

Year 6



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