



ST LUKE'S NEWS 14.03.2025



SPOTLIGHT



Visit from the Bishop of Exeter

It was a pleasure to meet with Bishop Mike and showcase all the great work of students and staff here at St Luke's. It was also a great opportunity to recognise the incredible contribution that various church groups and individuals make to our school community. From our team of volunteer chaplains and mentors, to the team that run the ICE café for students, to the fantastic Foundation Governors who support the strategic direction of the school, we are so grateful to them all.

We are excited to share with you a roundup of celebrations, important information, and key upcoming events. From memorable moments to important updates, here's what you need to know:

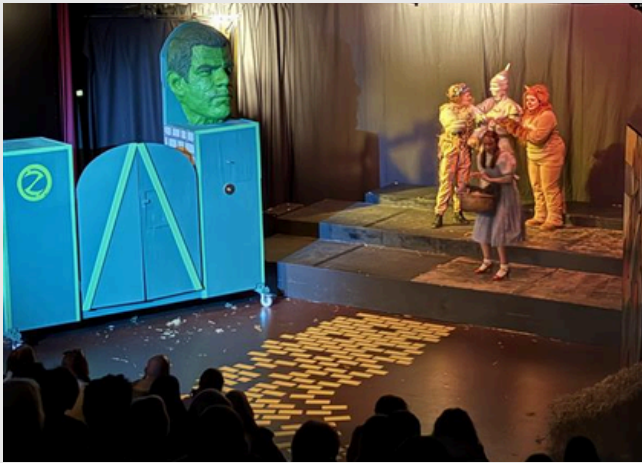
ST LUKE'S SCHOOL REVIEW

We welcomed colleagues from across our family of schools just after February half term to review everything we do for our students. The feedback was overwhelmingly positive. The team particularly highlighted the impact of our new 'Habits of Engagement' in the classroom. The report noted: "the continuous improvements in the quality of education are resulting in strong and strengthening Key Stage 4 outcomes"



The Wizard of Oz

What a fantastic show! Huge congratulations to all the students for their incredible performances, and thank you to the many staff involved for their dedication and hard work over the past months.



Congratulations Miss Sincock

Over the half term break, Vickie Sincock, English Teacher and Head of Year 10 organised a punishing 24 hour row for charity. This incredible challenge was set up in order to raise money for two fantastic charities: Samaritans and Mind.

By the end of the event, Vickie had raised an amazing £2,136 + £481 in GiftAid. Well done Vickie, we're really proud of your hard work.

Thank you to everyone who made generous donations.



Poets Laureate Success



Students attended the Devon Performing Arts Festival. They all recited a piece of poetry or delivered a reading and they all performed beautifully.

Four students from Years 9 and 10 performed in the Poets Laureate class, a Year 11 in the Sacred Text class and a Year 7 in the Set Poem class. Between them they brought back a great haul of commendations and trophies.

World Book Day

We celebrated World Book Day on 6th March, holding a book swap and cake sale in the library. Every lesson started with teachers sharing a short extract of their favourite books





Our U16 Basketball Team have continued their brilliant season so far winning their final group game by 3 points which took them through to being one of the last 32 schools in the National competition. Immediately after this win they then played and the next knock-out round game, winning the close encounter 49-41 to take them through to the last 16. Last night they **made it through to the last 8** with a stunning home win!



Year 8 Boys Football played brilliantly with one of our teams progressing through their group stage and losing on penalties in the final. Our other team finished second in their group and narrowly lost in the 3rd/ 4th play off to mean our teams finished 2nd and 4th overall 🎉



Our under 13 girls football teams were also in action last week with two teams playing in a Ted Wragg Trust tournament held at Cranbrook. The girls were a joy to take and as with all our teams, represented themselves and our school exceptionally.



PE Round Up

Don't forget we run two FREE fitness classes for parents and our community every Monday (in term time) 17:15 – 18:00 with qualified instructors. These classes are for everyone, with all abilities welcome. We want to expand the physical activity opportunities we offer to our students to our community and would love to see you at our next session.

The PE Team also continue to provide offer a huge volume of extra-curricular opportunities for our students and on average have offered more than a game every two days this term.

We've also had fixtures for our year 9 mixed Dodgeball team, our year 10 boys Football team performed valiantly against a Torquay Boys Grammar Team who made it to the last 16 in the National Cup, losing narrowly in the County Cup and our year 9 boys team playing some fantastic football only to narrowly miss out on progressing in the County Cup.

MENTAL HEALTH WORKSHOP FOR FAMILIES



The poster for the Mental Health Support Team (MHST) features a brain icon with the text 'MENTAL HEALTH IS IMPORTANT' and a heart icon. It includes a line drawing of two people hugging. The text on the poster reads: 'The Mental Health Support Team', 'Our mental health support team welcome families from both St James and St Lukes to an evening of workshops on Thursday 27th March 2025', 'These workshops will cover a range of topics on how to support your young person at home.', 'Anger management and how to cope with emotions', 'Anxiety with tips in over coming this fear', 'Sleep Hygiene and getting the right amount of sleep.', 'MHST MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAM', 'St James', 'St LUKES', 'Location - St James School', 'Thursday 27th March 4-6pm', and 'Workshops will last 20 minutes with 10 minutes to ask questions after the workshop. Each workshop will be repeated so families can attend numerous topics over the evening.'

MENTAL HEALTH IS IMPORTANT

The Mental Health Support Team

Our mental health support team welcome families from both St James and St Lukes to an evening of workshops on Thursday 27th March 2025

These workshops will cover a range of topics on how to support your young person at home.

Anger management and how to cope with emotions

Anxiety with tips in over coming this fear

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PARENT INFORMATION

Medical Consent

We would like to ask for **your consent to administer paracetamol to your child during the school day** if needed for minor ailments such as headaches, period pain, or similar discomforts. If you are happy to provide consent, please do so by clicking on **'Parental Consent' within the MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) app**. This will help us to support your child's well-being while they are in school.

Update on Catering



We are pleased to share that we have appointed a new caterer. Educatering, which is part of Goosemoor, is a Devon based family business who closely align with our values as a school community. We are looking forward to enjoying their fantastic food once they join us on Tuesday 1st April.

Please avoid topping up accounts on Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th March.

As a reminder, **the cut off for pre-ordering lunch for 28th and 31st March is the 17th March**. We will not be able to accept any orders after this date so that we can plan for those days. Please pay for your child's pre-ordered lunch by going to your MCAS app, go to store and select the option to pay for each day. Please do not pay via your child's school lunch account. Unfortunately we cannot accept cash on this occasion.

If you have not pre-ordered for lunch on these days, your child must please bring in a pack lunch. The kitchen will not have any additional food to fulfil last minute orders on the day.

Please note that the cash loader will no longer be accepting cash from the 25th March and all payments will need to be made via the MyChildAtSchool (MCAS) app.

UNIFORM

PRICE & BUCKLAND

Our school uniform supplier Price and Buckland launched their new website on the 11th February, parents who have ordered from them previously will need to re-set their password and they can use the same password as before. Parents, who are new to Price & Buckland, will need to register as usual.

The new website will give parents the following benefits:

- Parents with children at different schools will be able to order from multiple schools with ease.
- Parents will be able to spread payment across 3 months through Klarna.
- Parents will be prompted how close they are to the free delivery threshold.
- Parents will have more payment options with the introduction of Apple Pay and Google Pay.

Below is the new web address and direct link to your school's new uniform 'shop'.

<https://price-buckland.co.uk/st-lukes-church-of-england-school-devon>

NEW SCHOOL UNIFORM WEBSITE LAUNCH

On the **11th** of February we will launch our **NEW** website.
The URL remains:
www.price-buckland.co.uk

Website QR code.
This will take you to the homepage to search for your school

Account
If you have ordered from our website before, go to the **Account Section** and **re-set** your password. You can use the same password that you have currently.

Orders
You can then see previous orders and manage your account.

Any Questions? Call us on 01159 640827

UNIFORM - DONATIONS

If your child has outgrown any of their school uniform, we would greatly appreciate any donations of clean, good-quality items. These donations help support other families and ensure all students have access to the correct uniform.

Please drop off any items at the school reception. Thank you for your kindness and generosity!



PE AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

It's been wonderful to see so many students already participating in our after-school PE clubs. Please make sure your child knows about the exciting activities we offer. These are fantastic opportunities to get involved, have fun, make new friends, and stay active – and the best part is, **all sessions are free.**

AFTER-SCHOOL PE CLUBS

SPRING TERM

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Netball Boys & Girls Courts Mrs Robson & Mrs Antonello	Football (Competitive) Boys & Girls Astro Mr Hill	Cheerleading & Dance Boys & Girls Dance Studio Mrs Holt	Basketball Boys & Girls Sports hall Mr Evans and Mr Cahill
Fitness Boys & Girls Dance Studio Mr Gillard		Dodgeball Boys & Girls Sports hall (left half) Mr Lidstone	Football Boys and Girls Astro Mr Hollis
Self-Defence Boys & Girls Sports hall Exeter Self-Defence		Fitness Girls ONLY Fitness Suite Miss Eldon, Miss Hardacre & Miss Busby	Dance Academy (invite only) Dance Studio Mrs Holt
			Fitness Boys ONLY Fitness Suite Mr Kelly

GET READY TO GEAR UP FOR SOME ACTION-PACKED FUN WITH OUR
AFTERSCHOOL PE CLUBS! 🏃🏆🌟

ALL STUDENTS INTERESTED IN PE CLUBS NEED TO FOLLOW THESE SIMPLE STEPS:

- 1 AFTER THE FINAL BELL RINGS, HEAD DOWN TO THE PE CORRIDOR.
- 2 CHANGE INTO YOUR PE KIT.
- 3 GO TO THE DESIGNATED VENUE STATED FOR THE CLUB YOU'RE ATTENDING.

🕒 TIME: 15:10 – 16:10

🎟️ COST: COMPLETELY FREE FOR ALL STUDENTS!

WHETHER YOU'RE INTO ATHLETICS, SELF-DEFENSE, BASKETBALL, OR ANY OF
OUR OTHER EXCITING CLUBS, THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE!

DON'T MISS OUT ON THE OPPORTUNITY TO STAY ACTIVE, MAKE FRIENDS,
AND HAVE SOME FUN AFTER SCHOOL!

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Day	Club	Year Group	Time	Room	Staff
Monday	Self Defence <i>External Provider</i>	All	3:10-4pm	Sports Hall	Mr Sloan
	Drama Club	All	3:10-4pm	DR2	Mr Horwood
	Science Club	All	3:10-4pm	SC5	Miss Hardacre
	Homework Club	All	3:10-4pm	Library	Support Staff
Tuesday	Sparx Reader	7	Break 1 Break 2	EN1	English Team
	Spanish Speaking Practice	11	3:10-4pm	ML1	Dr Emmett
	French Speaking Practice	11	3:10-4pm	ML3	Miss Busby
	Homework Club	All	3:10-4pm	Library	Support Staff
Wednesday	Sparx Maths	All	Break 1 and Break 2	MA1	Maths Team
	Drama Club	11	Break 2	DR2	Mr Horwood
	Sparx Science Help	All	3:10-4pm	SC8	Dr Smith
	Values Club	All	3:10-4pm	SC1	Miss Bartlett
	Production Rehearsals	Production Cast	3:10-4pm	DR2	Mr Horwood
	Props Club	All	3:10-4pm	AT2	Mr Anthony
	Axiom Maths	All	3:10-4pm	MU1	Mr Boot
	Homework Club	All	3:10-4pm	Library	Support Staff
Thursday	Pride@StLukes	All	Break 1	ML1	Dr Emmett
	Sparx Science	7 and 10	Break 1 and Break 2	MA1	Science Team
	Dodgeball	All	3:10-4pm	Sports Hall	Mr Lidstone
	Production Rehearsals	Production Cast	3:10-4pm	DR2	Mr Horwood
	Homework Club	All	3:10-4pm	Library	Support Staff
Friday	ICE Café	7	Break 1	HU5	Mr Greenhalgh
	French Speaking Practice	11	3:10-4pm	ML2	Mrs Perenet
	Homework Club	All	3:10-4pm	Library	Support Staff

PARENT SURVEY - SELF HARM WORKSHOP

The Mental Health Support Team have been working alongside St Luke's staff to develop a workshop for parents and carers who would like to know more about how to support their child if they are experiencing self-harming behaviour in relation to their anxiety or low mood. In order for us to make sure that we are providing the right information and support that parents and carers are looking for, we have created a short survey which we are asking people to complete by **Monday 17th March 2025**.

We would appreciate any time you can give to complete the short survey that should take 5 minutes to complete. We are planning to deliver the first workshop on this on the week commencing Monday 28th April 2025

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UPCOMING EVENTS & KEY DATES

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- 3rd March - 14th March - Year 11 Mock Exams
- 17th March - 21st March - Assessment Week
- 24th March - Non Pupil Day
- 27th March - Year 11 Progress Evening
- 4th April - Last day of term 12.45pm finish