



ST LUKE'S NEWS 04.04.2025



= SPOTLIGHT =



Year 10 students Ciara Holdsworth and Lily Ballard recently graduated from the prestigious Junior Chef Academy at Britannia Royal Naval College in Dartmouth.

They were expertly supported by Year 11 student Oliver Brewer, who completed the programme last year. Working alongside professional chefs, they showcased their culinary talents by preparing an outstanding four-course meal for their families.

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 ITV WESTCOUNTRY NEWS —

On Friday 14th of March, we welcomed ITV Westcountry as they explored the layers of support we have in place for our students and the lasting impact of the pandemic, five years on. From academic interventions to intensive mentoring support, our focus remains on helping every student thrive, ensuring they have the resources, guidance, and encouragement to succeed.

A huge thank you to ITV Westcountry for highlighting this important conversation.



CELEBRATING SPORT



We are very proud of our own Millie Candler who has been selected to compete for England at the world championships for baton twirling in Italy later this year. She has been selected for junior dance solo as well as junior duet. Well done Millie

A huge congratulations to our talented gymnasts who took part in the Devon Schools Games Final Virtual Gymnastics Competition. They performed their best routines, showcasing skill and dedication, and made St Luke's incredibly proud.



Brooke Stride – Winner of the Rookie Award Routine
 Mirna Daoud – Winner of the Bronze Award Routine
 Zoe Adams – Winner of the Silver Award Routine
 Mea Thorne – Winner of the Gold Award Routine
 Ava Parish – Competed in the Platinum Award Routine
 Ruby Moore – Competed in the Platinum Award Routine



St Luke's Year 9 boys' football team have secured their place in the District Final with a dominant 7-1 away win against Cullompton! Aforesaid netted an impressive hat-trick, while Aaron Bowker stole the show with four goals. A fantastic performance – well done, team!



Our Year 9 boys' football team continued their strong form with a 3-1 victory over Clyst Vale in the District Cup. Aforesaid led the charge with two goals, while Jack added another to seal the win. A fantastic team effort – well done, boys! ⚽



Our Year 11 football team put in a strong performance against The Kings School in the District Cup. Despite a 5-3 loss, the team played exceptionally well and represented St Luke's with pride and determination.



Our Year 7 netball teams put in a fantastic performance at their recent netball tournament, competing against seven teams. With great teamwork and effort, our two teams finished 3rd and 7th respectively. A huge well done to all the girls

Aspirational Taster Day

Our Year 11 students had an incredible opportunity at Exeter College's Aspirational Day, designed for those looking to improve their Maths and English skills and prepare for Level 1 courses after school. During the event, they took part in engaging sessions focused on teamwork, study skills, employability, and personal development, gaining valuable insights and confidence for their next steps. A fantastic experience.



Duke of Edinburgh Update

Our Bronze DofE expedition is booked. As a reminder, the dates are:

- Practice Day Hike- **April 29th** (*meet at Haven Banks for a full day of walking and skills practice, more info to follow*)
- Full Bronze Expedition- **June 16th-17th**

As part of the package with Haven Banks, we also have two after school sessions to practice map reading, cooking with camping stoves and setting up tents. The next after school session will run from 3:15-4:30 on May 19th in Mr. Haynes' room HU4.



Onatti Theatre trip

Some of our keen linguists in Year 10 went out to the Exeter School to watch a brilliant play put on by the Onatti Theatre company. The whole thing was in Spanish and is designed to be a fun way to explore new vocabulary and inspire further study. We're very grateful to Dr Emmett and the Exeter School for making this happen.



Bicton College Visit

Year 10 students had visit from Katherine from Bicton College, who visited to share insights about the courses and opportunities available.



It was a great chance for students to learn more about their options for further education.

Staff Netball for Comic Relief

Our staff netball teams took to the court in support of Comic Relief, showing great teamwork and competitive spirit! It was a fantastic event for a great cause, and provided great value entertainment to the students who came to watch. Well done to everyone who took part.



Year 7 Paignton Zoo Visit

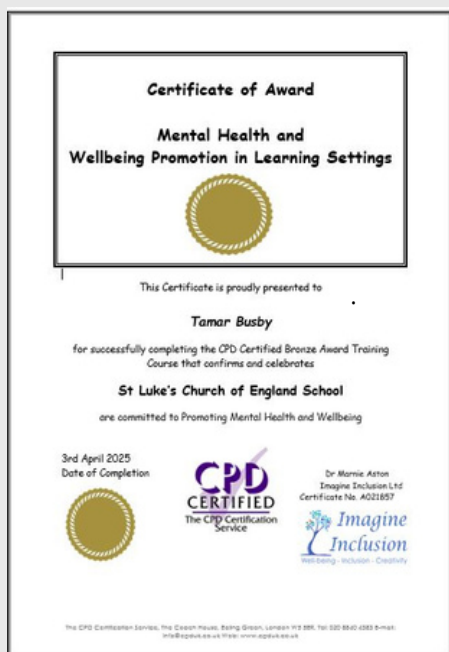


On Thursday, 3rd April, our Year 7 students had a fantastic day exploring Paignton Zoo!

They enjoyed seeing a variety of animals, learning about conservation, and making great memories with their classmates. A big thank you to the staff who helped make this trip a success.



Mental Health Charter Mark for St Luke's



We're proud to announce that we have been awarded a bronze Mental Health Charter Mark for our work supporting mental health and inclusion.



The process has involved rigorous auditing and action planning around our provision.

A huge well done to Tamar Busby, our SENDCo for all of the hard work in leading this effort. This achievement reflects a strong commitment to supporting mental health and wellbeing at St. Luke's Church of England School.

SPACE Raffle

We're pleased to share a fantastic raffle opportunity where four lucky people can win free entry to all of Devon's Top Attractions! This is a perfect prize for families looking for fun activities over the holidays.

To enter, simply scan the QR code on the attached poster or visit this link:

[Enter the Raffle Here](#)

Don't miss out – good luck!

Space Youth Services are one of the external agencies we work closely with. They provide vital time and space for young people across Devon for as long as they need it. They work with groups and individual young people, including those most at risk, to help them navigate the complex transition to adulthood with hope, positivity and purpose.

DEVON'S TOP ATTRACTIONS Golden Ticket

SPACE YOUTH SERVICES RAFFLE

Draw Date: 30/04/25

Looking for some fun this Summer?

WIN FREE ENTRY (one visit to each attraction) for 4 PEOPLE to Devon's Top Attractions!

Win an amazing prize valued at over £1,500 and help **Space Youth Services** to continue giving Devon's young people the space to grow and the time to thrive!

£2 ENTER NOW! Buy your tickets online! £2

THE SPACE GOLDEN TICKET
SPRING RAFFLE 2025

DEVON'S TOP ATTRACTIONS

Charity No.1173430 funding@spacepsm.org | 07590638378

Wonford Holiday Activity

This Easter, we're excited to be running the Holiday Activity and Food Programme at Wonford Sports Centre. We have a wonderful lineup planned, including festive arts and crafts, sports, and various activities, all paired with a hot lunch for the children. Ages 5-14 years. This programme is free of charge for children eligible for free school meals.

EASTER ACTIVITY CAMPS

VENUE: WONFORD SPORTS CENTRE

DATE: 7TH - 10TH APRIL 2025 12PM-4PM

5-14 YEARS

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STUDENT SURVEY

The results of our student survey are in. **715 students responded**, which is our highest ever number of responses for this survey. We're delighted to be able to share that number of positive responses was **higher in every single category compared to this time last year**. The areas students feel more positive about include behaviour, assessment and the curriculum.

We've had a significant increase the proportion of students who report that they are happy to be studying at our school (79%) and would recommend the school.

The largest increase was in our extra-curricular and sports offer, with **94% of students saying they are happy with the offer**.

There are a number of things we are continuing to work on as a result of the feedback, including reviewing the level of challenge in our curriculum or Year 7 students, and working to reduce variation in how happy different pupil groups report they are at school.



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.



Our Brand New Catering Service

Our new school catering service launched on April 1st, offering fresh, locally sourced, and nutritious meals provided by Educatering. Over the past few days, students and staff have been trying out the new menu, with taster pots available to encourage them to explore different options. Thank you to our families for your patience and encouragement as we implement this change, and to our staff for their hard work in providing nutritious and delicious meals each day.



Don't forget that toast and porridge is available to all students free of charge every morning in the canteen.

We've appreciated the feedback from our families and students and look forward to refining our catering service further and sharing more updates in the coming months.

🔗 View our menus & FAQs here: <https://www.stlukescofe.school/lunch>

'ASK THE HEADTEACHER' COFFEE MORNINGS



Our Headteacher coffee mornings are your opportunity to come into the school and meet informally with the Headteacher and other staff

- ✓ Ask any questions
- ✓ Drop into some classrooms
- ✓ Network with other parents



TUESDAY 3RD JUNE 08:45-10:00



St Luke's School

Please sign up by emailing
office@stlukescofe.school



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 SUMMER TERM

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Rounders Boys & Girls Field Mrs Antonello	Table Tennis Boys & Girls Sports Hall Mr Hill	Dance Boys & Girls Dance Studio Mrs Hall	Basketball Boys & Girls Sports hall Mr Evans and Mr Cahill
Functional Fitness Boys & Girls Dance Studio Mr Gilford		Power Lifting Boys & Girls Fitness Suite Miss Edlan & Mr Mulliner	Football Boys and Girls Astro Mr Hollis
Athletics Boys & Girls Field PE Team			Dance Academy (invite only) Dance Studio Mrs Hall
			Orienteering Boys & Girls PE Mr Craig

All year groups are welcome!
Please get changed into your PE kit and meet the member of staff in the area.
You will receive 3 Class Chart Points for every club you attend ☺

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!

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.

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Here is the enrichment programme on offer for the Summer Term.

Day	Club	Year Group	Time	Room	Staff
Monday	Creative Writing Club	All	Break 2	EN2	Miss Jones
	Innovation Competition	All	3:10pm-4pm	HU1	Mr Bruce
	Homework Club	All	3:10-4pm	Library	Support Staff
Tuesday	Sparx Reader	7	Break 1 Break 2	EN1	English Team
	Chess Club	All	Break 1	MA7	Mr Wyatt
	Greek and Latin Mythology	All	Break 1	EN5	Miss Gripshi
	St Luke's Christian Union	All	Break 1	HU5	Chaplains
	Homework Club	All	3:10-4pm	Library	Support Staff
Wednesday	Sparx Maths	All	Break 1 and Break 2	MA1	Maths Team
	Lamda Club (public speaking & Drama)	All	3:10pm-4pm	SC1	Miss Moan
	Sparx Science Help	All	3:10-4pm	SC8	Dr Smith
	Values Club	All	3:10-4pm	SC1	Miss Bartlett
	Ecology Club	All	3:10-4pm	SC4	Dr Adams
	Axiom Maths	7	3:10-4pm	MA2	Miss Williams
	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
	Cycling Club	All	3:10-5pm	Atrium	Mr Cahill
	Homework Club	All	3:10-4pm	Library	Support Staff
Friday	ICE Café	7	Break 1	HU5	Mr Greenhalgh
	Invertebrate Zoo	All	Break 2	SC4	Dr Adams
	Craft Club	All	Break 2	SC6	Miss Statton
	Homework Club	All	3:10-4pm	Library	Support Staff



As Easter approaches, may this break be filled with joy, laughter and precious moments with loved ones.

We wish you all a restful and rejuvenating break.

Happy Easter from all of us!

UPCOMING EVENTS & KEY DATES

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- 4th April - Last day of term 12.45pm finish
- 22nd April - First day of Summer Term
- 5th May - Bank Holiday
- W/C 6th May - Year 11 GCSE Exams start
- 8th May - Year 7 Progress Evening 4pm-7pm
- 12th May - HPV Immunisation Clinic
- 22nd May - Year 9 Progress Evening 4pm-7pm
- 26th May - 30th May - Half Term