

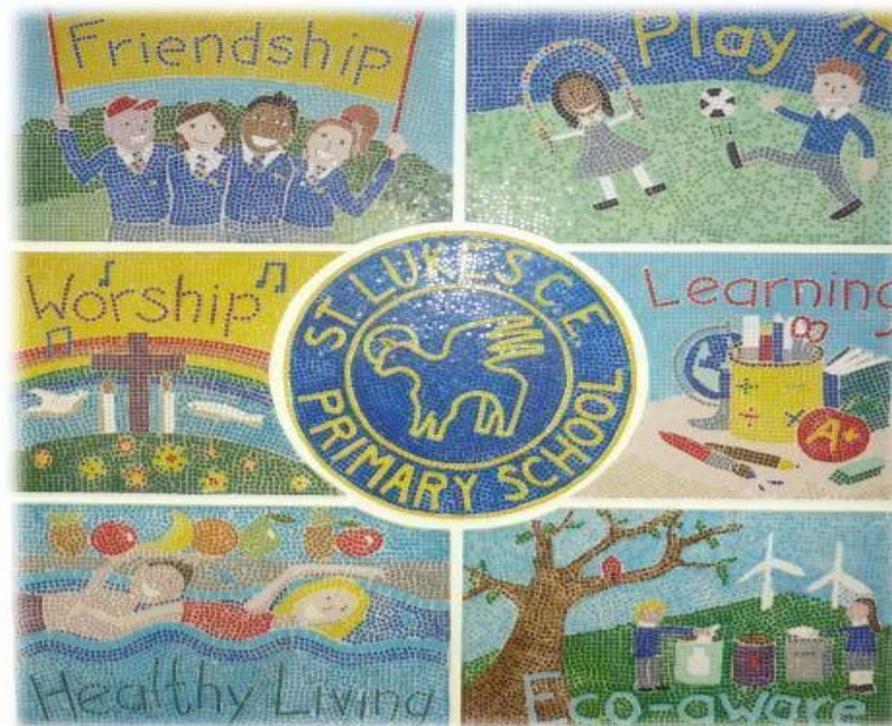


### Contacts

At St Luke's we have an open door policy and it is important that we work in partnership. If you have any concerns about your child or are worried about anything, then please do not hesitate to speak to either myself or Mrs Shelley,

# Year 6

# Autumn Newsletter



Mrs Woodward, Mrs Shelley

Welcome back! I hope that you all enjoyed the holidays and a good rest. Year 6 promises to be a challenging and rewarding year, it will be your child's final year in primary school. This is certainly an exciting and busy time!

Here are a few details that you may find useful.

Topics this term

- ◆ Shakespeare
- ◆ South America
- ◆ Saints
- ◆ Science - Evolution and inheritance, living things

### Our class readers

During the first half term we will be studying a selection of Shakespearean plays. After half term we will be reading Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Murpurgo.

As part of our science work, we hope to dissect a pig's heart with the help of an expert!

### Homework

Homework this term will have a greater emphasis on reading (known as the reading challenge!) spelling and arithmetic. We would be grateful if you supported your child with these each week. Beyond that, the children will be expected to complete only one of the topic based challenges set on the homework sheet. They will be asked to bring this in during the final week before half term to share their hard work with the whole class.

### Home reading

Children will be expected to complete the reading challenge each week and use the reading diaries provided to record in. Please check their home reading and sign accordingly. Words that the children have spelled a word incorrectly during independent writing may also be noted in these journals. You can help your child improve their spelling by looking at these together. I will monitor the books that they read and celebrate their efforts in school.

### Spellings

Children will be taught a spelling rule each week and take home a sheet reflecting this rule each Friday. They will be tested on these words each Monday, but whilst this will help to keep the children motivated and learning spellings, a half termly general test will be used as a true assessment.

### PE

PE day will be on a Tuesday and a Thursday. Please encourage your child to remember to bring their kits in for these days.

### Residential

As you are aware, we will be off to Boreatton Park very shortly and will need your medical forms back as soon as possible please. There will be an information meeting held before the information meeting next Tuesday, a letter will follow.