



## St Luke's CE Academy, ENDON

### 'Helping Lights Shine for All'

28<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

We are well and truly in to the swing of things now and the children have settled brilliantly to their learning. There is an exciting and purposeful atmosphere around school – we thank for your part in supporting that.

#### **Parent Surveys**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the parent survey – we have received an unprecedented number of returns. We have not yet processed the returns but an early theme is evident: opening of doors and finishing times.

I would like to apologise for what had become a growing pattern of doors opening late and over-running at the end of the day. We have set about resolving this and whilst not promising perfection we hope you will see a difference.

We hope to share the results of the surveys with you in the next newsletter.

#### **Pupil Voice & Leadership**

This week the applications and elections for the wide ranging leadership roles for children in school have been completed. We are thrilled with the children's willingness to contribute and take the chance to put themselves forward for additional responsibility. We now have more than fifty children in leadership roles across the school; School Council Representatives, House Captains, Charity Event Co-ordinators, Worship Leaders, Playground Leaders, Sports Crew and Eco-team.

Each week our children meet as a whole school for a Learning Forum, where they help shape what happens within our school. Later this term we hope to be able to invite you into school to come and share in one of these sessions – they are usually at 10:00am, for half an hour, on a Thursday.

#### **Upcoming events:**

##### **E-safety workshop – Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

Previously we mentioned that this event would be ticketed but as you will be aware from the letter that came home last week, only a returned slip noting your plans to attend is necessary. At this point, only ten slips have been returned and we politely urge you to make arrangements to attend and return slips as soon as possible.

We have invested significantly in inviting a children's e-safety specialist to deliver a Parent Workshop for us all. What our children do, and who they have contact with, on line is a concern and responsibility for us all. This workshop will provide some insight into e-safety and provide some practical advice and approaches to keeping our children safe.

##### **Family Photos – Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October**

As highlighted on the Important Dates for the Autumn Term, the photographer for the individual and family photographs will be in on Monday. If you would like photos taken with siblings with children who do not attend our school, please arrive between 8:15 and 8:45 – you will need to come to the car-park door.

**Harvest-time Coffee Morning – Wed 10<sup>th</sup> Oct**

As part of our harvest giving we are planning to share tea/coffee and biscuits with some of the older generation in the village, who are visiting school on the 10th. We are keen to strengthen even further our community links and bridge the relationship gap between the different generations. There will also be chance for the children to share a book.

We may possibly need some volunteers on the day before to help bake some biscuits – the exact plan for the event will be determined with the Worship Leaders early next week.

**PSA Meeting – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> Oct @ 6:30pm**

The PSA are always looking for new people to come and support. The next meeting will be held at school. Please come along.

**Year 1 & 2 Harvest Show – 17<sup>th</sup> Oct (6pm) & 18<sup>th</sup> Oct (2:30pm)**

Parents of children in these classes are warmly welcomed to join the performance of the harvest show. More details to follow.

**Year 3 & 4 Stone Age Day – Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> Oct**

Watch this space!

**Parent consultations – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October**

Please note that arrangements for parent consultations have been adjusted and will now take place on one day, between 1:30 – 7:30pm. We hope that the advanced notice will help support the logistics for your family.

**PSA Disco – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October (KS1 – 2:30 – 3:15pm) & (KS2 - 3:30 – 4:15pm)**

Details to follow