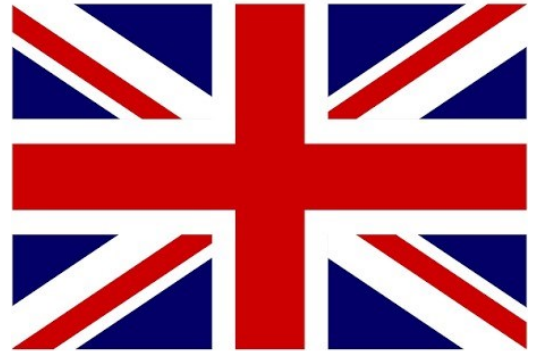




Following in the footsteps of Jesus, we learn, love and laugh together



Friday 9th May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

This has been a momentous week! Yesterday was the 80th Anniversary of VE Day. It was also the day that St, Peter's successor, the new Pope was announced. We pray for him and ask God to guide and protect him as he turns the page of a new chapter in our faith.

Today we all enjoyed our VE Day celebrations. They began with an assembly to reflect and to respectfully remember all who sacrificed their lives.

It was wonderful to see everyone dressed in the fashions of the 1940's. Everyone looked the part as we celebrated with our VE Day street party. Traditional fayre included Sandwiches Jelly and ice cream and butterfly cakes.

We all enjoyed traditional games of marbles, Jacks, hopscotch.

Thank you to all the staff who made this a very special celebration.

Wishing everyone a good weekend.

Best wishes ,

Eileen Murtagh

Attendance

Overall Attendance this week **97.83**.

Across the school, **47 minutes** of learning time was lost this week through late arrivals.

Don't underestimate the importance of 100% attendance. Even one day missed can have an effect on learning.

98% attendance means **4** school days missed
95% attendance means **10** school days missed
90% attendance means **19** school days missed
80% attendance means **38** school days missed
5 minutes late each day means **3** school days missed

Lower than 90% Attendance	90-95% Attendance	96-100% Attendance
	Class 1	Reception Class 2 Class 3 Class 4 Class 5 Class 6

Please be aware that requests for children to take holidays during term time will be classed as an unauthorised absence.

Please be aware that unauthorised absences that exceed 5 school days during term time will receive a fixed penalty notice (FPN).

Reminder - Dental or medical appointments

If you will be taking your child for an appointment please send us an email with the booking/screen shot for our files. Thank you

Free school meals

Have your financial circumstances recently changed?

If your child does not have Free School Meals, they may be eligible because of your family's income level. Even if you do not wish them to have the meals, this would mean the school could still claim Pupil Premium Funding that may be used to help your child.

For applications and more information visit: [Cheshire West and Chester website](#).

St Luke's Lion Cubs

We have missed seeing our Lion Cubs this week! Come and join us again on Wednesday.



A yellow poster with a red border. At the top, a green oval contains the text 'Come and Play St Luke's Lion Cubs' in yellow. To the right is a cartoon lion. Below the oval, it says 'Everyone Welcome! Babies and Tot's Group' with a small icon of an open book. The text continues: 'Every Wednesday 9.15am—11.15am during Term Time (see school website for dates)'. Below that is the school address: 'St Luke's Catholic Primary School, The Willows, Frodsham, WA6 7QP'. At the bottom, contact information is provided: 'For more information contact St Luke's main office admin@stlukes.cheshire.sch.uk 01244 259999'. The bottom section features three photos: a lion, a child in a tent, and a group of children playing. A small box at the bottom right states 'All Lions and Cubs welcome £2 voluntary contribution'.

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Preschool

Interest Survey

We are undertaking updated some market research as to what the interest and demand for a preschool at St. Luke's would be. Please complete the survey below and forward to anyone who may be interested.

[REGISTER INTEREST](#)

Little Church

Come and join the children at Little Church on Saturday 10th May during 6pm mass.

Dates for your diary

1st May: Year 2 Mini Kickers

8th May: VE day

9th May: VE Afternoon tea party

12th May: SATS week

23rd May: School Closes

2nd June: Year 4 Multiplication Check

9th June: Year 1 Phonics Screening

Marigold Class



Marigold class have started writing our Hot Task! We are pretending to be Major Glad (a toy who has been lost under the floorboards) and we are writing a diary entry about the Blitz and how the house has changed because the children have had to go away.

In Maths we have been measuring accurately and solving problems involving centimetres and metres.

In The Vine and The Branches we have been learning about when Jesus appeared to his apostles and what he did to prove to them who he really was.

In History we have been concluding our unit about The Great Fire of London, and how the fire service has changed since then.

We have been finding out about VE day and what this means. We pretended we had just heard Winston Churchill on the wireless making the announcement and we wrote about how we felt. We talked about having mixed emotions about the war and how we hope for a future of peace.

Year 1 have been working hard with their phonics practice, getting ready for the phonics screening check in June. Please keep practicing with your child and read as much as possible.

Tulip Class



This week in English, Tulip class have been working hard on our hot tasks! We are writing a persuasive piece about why people should take care of our planet and our oceans. We have learnt lots about whales throughout the topic, including some shocking information about whales being fished, hunted, and their habitat being polluted. We have written some really convincing pieces about how we can protect these amazing creatures!

In Maths, Year 4 are well into the swing of their learning about decimals. We compared $\frac{1}{10}$ to 0.1 and started ordering decimals on number lines to compare their size. Year 3 have started a new topic of measurement and have been looking at calculating grams and kilograms. We have applied our knowledge of place value from the start of the year to help us.

In Science, we have continued to learn about plants, and this week have been looking at how plants make their own food in a special process called photosynthesis! We discussed how the leaves and the sun are vital in this process. We have also been monitoring the growth of our plants and some of them have grown a few inches since last week!

This week we were lucky to take part in a surprise Tennis lesson with a coach from Helsby tennis club. We worked in groups to practice our ball control, passing the ball, and even tried to perform some tricks! We had a lot of fun.

We have been celebrating VE day in our class by learning all about people's roles during and after the war. We watched some videos to explain why the end of the war was so prominent, and we considered people's emotions during and after. We wrote postcards imagining we had hosted a street party for VE day, and we made some doves to show what peace means. We looked at some photographs from the 1940s and talked about what we could see happening in the primary sources. We saw pictures of nurses celebrating, men putting up speakers to hear the King's speech, and street parties happening up and down the country! We are excited to have our very own on Friday afternoon...

Bluebell Class



Although the week has been slightly shorter, we have still had lots of purposeful learning taking place in Bluebell class. Our Year 6 children have been working incredibly hard in the lead-up to their SATs next week. Their focus, determination, and positive attitude towards revision and practice tasks have been commendable, and we are confident they will approach next week with confidence.

In English, we have been writing our "hot tasks" this week, producing some fantastic biographies all about astronaut Chris Hadfield. We have enjoyed exploring his extraordinary life and achievements, from his journey into space to his musical performances aboard the International Space Station. The children's writing has been detailed, engaging, and thoughtful, reflecting the research and planning they carried out in previous lessons.

This week, we have also been learning all about VE Day — an important moment in British and world history. We have enjoyed researching the events leading up to Victory in Europe Day, the celebrations that followed, and the stories of those who lived through the Second World War. A particular highlight was joining a special webinar, where children had the privilege of hearing directly from veterans who shared their personal experiences and reflections. This was a powerful and moving opportunity, helping to bring their learning to life in a way that was both informative and respectful.

After understanding the significance of this special day, we have really enjoyed taking part in our own VE day street party celebrations this afternoon. It has been great to finish the week dressed in our 1940s attire and celebrate the 80th anniversary of this significant time in history as a school community.

Tennis Party



We enjoyed having a visit from Mike @ Helsby Tennis Club. He came to teach us some tennis games and skills and he invited us to a Tennis Party this weekend.

(See invitation) Please go along and find out more about what Helsby Tennis club has to offer.

Award winners

Well done to this week's award winners...

Headteacher Awards



Subject Awards



Raise the Praise Champions



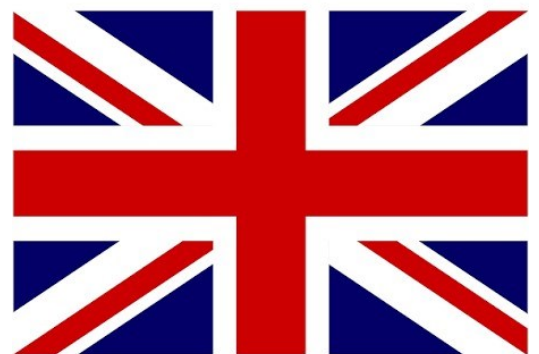
Pride award



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