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This week's gospel tells us of the need of resilience, as the task that God sets his disciples, is not an easy one. We watched the <u>story</u> of Derek Redmond, the athlete from the Barcelona 1991 Olympics, whose injury stopped him from succeeding. His determination is what we remember from that race, not the athlete who won gold. Like St Peter and St Paul, who we celebrated on their feast day on Thursday, God chooses those who are imperfect to be his followers, those that fail are stronger.-*Mrs A M Kendal, Head of School* 

"Proceed calmly in life." Pope Francis

## Pupil of the Week:

Pupils who gained a certificate this week are:

Reception - Isabelle

Year 1 - Miyah

Year 2 - Assiah

Year 3 - Amenzie & Gabriela

Year 4 – Ameliah

Year 5 – Oscar

Year 6 - Ameerah

**House Points:** Well done to **St Francis** this week's winners with **132** points!

St Bernadette – 80

St Francis – 132

St Paul - 77

St Theresa – 100

St Thomas More – 130

St Anne Line – 108

Michael Rosen: The brilliant Michael Rosen gave a fantastic workshop for parents of early years children last week to celebrate the Essex Year of Reading. See link <a href="here">here</a> to watch yourself at home and learn more about sharing the wonder of language with children.

**Nursery Reading session:** On Thursday the nursery welcomed parents and siblings to a wonderful story telling afternoon.

They had fabulous time sharing their favourite stories in all different parts of the nursery, under trees, in their reading corner and around the climbing equipment. Thank you so much for joining with us and sharing the wonder of books with our children.

**GREEN DAY:** Next Wednesday, **6th of July** is our 2022 Essex wide Green
Day. Children are invited to wear
something green in exchange for £1. The
money raised will go to Step up to the

plate national food campaign. CAFOD Club will help children understand how we grow and share food around the world. We'll find out how we can call on the government to fix the broken food system and keep the promises they made at COP26.

PE KITS: Next year we will be returning to having PE Kits kept in school and children will change whilst at school for their relevant PE lessons. Parents will need to ensure their children have a full PE kit in a blue kit bag in school at the start of the term. These will be sent home half termly for washing. See the link for the correct PE uniform Uniform Regulations If you have younger children, it is essential to ensure they can dress themselves independently as this is an important life skill.

St Peter and St Paul Feast Day: Thank you to the Year 3 children who led the readings for our feast day mass on Wednesday. It was lovely to welcome back members or our community to join us for this celebration.

Open Classroom: After school on Monday 11th July parents are invited into class with their child/ren to see displays and work from this year. Next year's classroom may also be visited to see the next step in learning.

## Calling all families at St Luke's!

We are doing a survey about the kinds of books that our families are reading at home and sharing with each other. We want to make sure that the books in our library inspire our children to read and to do that we need to know what you are reading at home and what books our pupils like! Please fill in these two

surveys- one is for you as parents to fill in and one is for your child. Thank you.

Our School Reading Survey

Pupil Library Survey

Free School Meals: Automatic entitlement to free school meals finishes at the end of Year 2 and only children from low income families are eligible from Year 3. An application for your child to receive a free school meal must be made here or by calling 0345 603 2200.

**After School Clubs**: Please note that Monday's after school clubs have now finished.

**New Dinner Menu:** Our school dinner menu can be located here W/C 4<sup>th</sup> July is week 2.

## **Upcoming Dates:**

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> July: Start of Y6 Activity Week Mon 4<sup>th</sup> July: Virtual parents evening Tue 5<sup>th</sup> July: Nursery Prayer Service 1.15 Parents Welcome

Tue 5<sup>th</sup> July: Face to Face parents evening

**Wed 6<sup>th</sup> July:** Green Day **Thur 7<sup>th</sup> July:** Transfer Day

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> July: Reception Class Assembly 9.05

(Parents Welcome)

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> July: Parents open evening Wed 13<sup>th</sup> July: Reception Trip. Basildon

360 Play

**Thur 14<sup>th</sup> July:** Year 5 Soap Making at St

Thur 14<sup>th</sup> July: Year 5&6 Production 7pm Tue 19<sup>th</sup> July: Leavers Mass 7pm Thur 21<sup>st</sup> July: PTA school disco

Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> July: End of summer Term – All children finish 1pm

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept:** Year R to Y6 return to school

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept: Nursery return to school



