



# St Luke's Newsletter



Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to everyone in this new year of 2017. This time of year is scary for me because I can remember when the year 2000 looked so far in the future that it might never happen!

It has been lovely chatting to the children and finding out all the great stuff they got up to over the holiday but most of them seem fine to be back and there have been a lot of smiles on their faces and positive energy displayed. Today, in our whole-school assembly, we looked at the year ahead of us and several pupils shared their New Year resolutions. Amongst the many health/fitness/change-in-attitude promises, came one particularly ambitious - and very commendable - resolution from Toju in Y5 *to not play on his PS4 for the whole of the year!* We were very impressed at this and hopefully will follow his resolve with great interest as the year progresses.

The school has come to life quickly and with a new year comes new changes. Breakfast club is now open to Reception children as well as Y1-Y6. Nursery parents were sent a letter yesterday about proposed changes to the way they take their sessions, allowing them to 'bunch' together to have their child in for some whole days rather than just mornings.

In December I wrote to parents about proposals to start a flexible after-school club running up until 5.30pm, Mon-Thurs, and 4.30 on a Friday. I am now organising this and hope to start on the week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> January. There will be the option of a 1hr or 2hr slot at a cost of £3 for 1 hour or £6 for 2hours.

When letting us know of sickness please could I ask all parents to phone in on the day if your child is not going to be in and **not** notify us via email as this is not always accessed immediately and can lead to confusion - I am looking in to putting a second phone line into the office to make it easier for you to contact us.

Once again, a Happy New Year to all our families and have a lovely weekend.

*Matt Hipperson*



We would also like to introduce you to Miss Youbi from France who will now coach Y3 & 4 basketball on a Friday afternoon. She will also run a basketball after-school club for one hour (3:30-4:30pm) on the same day.