



'Being the best we can be'

St Lawrence Primary Newsletter

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Listening and Learning

Respecting and Caring

Trusting and Forgiving

Helping and Supporting

Smiling and Inspiring.

Dear Parents,

Here we are at the end of another busy week in school.

The new School Council met for the first time today and they decided what roles each of them would have for the coming year. One of their first tasks will be to ask their classmates what their special project could be this year. It will be very interesting to see what they decide upon.

The Annual General meeting of The Friends of St. Lawrence was held this week. They have generously donated monies, yet again, to enable us to purchase new resources to benefit our children's learning. I would very much like to thank them for this. They have already planned some events for this term which have been added to the 'dates for your diary' later on in the newsletter. It was lovely to welcome Olly's parents for the first time. If there are any other parents who would like to attend further meetings these dates have also been included too. If you are unable to attend these meetings but could offer help and support at upcoming events then please see the Chair of the St. Lawrence Friends, Mrs. Mainwaring, or myself. Your continued support is very much welcomed and appreciated.

Mrs. Tudor, Mrs. Roberts and our Arts Mark Ambassadors (Erica, Kian and Isabelle) have been busy working towards our Platinum Arts Mark Award alongside staff and children from William Reynolds and Coalbrookdale Primary Schools. The children worked with visiting artists and helped interview them with a view to selecting one to work across school with all of our children. The subsequent Artwork produced will be displayed at an event later on in the school year.

Sadly, this weekend marks the end of an era. On Sunday, Reverend Ward will take his last church service as he prepares to retire. As always we welcomed him into school today to say goodbye and give him a heartfelt gift. For the past twenty-six years, the Reverend has led worship in school and church, attended special events such as Harvest, Nativity and Easter plays and been an active member of the

school's governing body. On behalf of the School Governors, Staff and children I would like to express our sincere thanks and gratitude for everything he has done to help develop the children's spirituality and faith, through his humorous stories, wisdom and wit, as well as helping to shape our school into being the best it can be.



As you know, when and where possible, we try very hard to operate an 'open door' policy. As a staff we try to make ourselves available to speak to parents when we can. I'm sure that you will appreciate that this is sometimes difficult and not always possible, especially in the mornings when the children are entering the classroom, so we try to endeavour to make alternative appointments after school when we can. If there is ever anything you would like to discuss or share please speak to one of us or alternatively to me when I am on the playground in the mornings or at the end of the day.

God Bless you all and have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,
Mr. Lambie

TEACHING ARRANGEMENTS

We would like to inform you about the teaching arrangements for next week. These absences are to cover important staff training and teacher planning time.

Tues 26th September – Mrs Jenkins and Mrs Kynaston (am).

Mrs Tudor to cover Class 1 (pm).

Tuesday 28th September – Mrs Sankey to cover Class 2 (pm).

Wed 27th September - Mrs Jenkins and Mrs Kynaston (am).

Mrs Tudor to cover Class 1 (pm).

Wed 27th September - Mrs Sankey to cover Class 2 (pm)

Thurs 28th September – Mr Mac to cover Class 3 (pm).

Thurs 28th September - Mrs Sankey to cover class 2 (all day)

Friday 29th September – Mrs Tudor to cover Class 1 (pm).

Friday 29th September – Mrs Tudor to cover Class 3 (am).

Friday 29th September – Mr Mac to cover Class 3 (pm).

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Teacher awards

This week's awards go to.....

CLASS 1 : Eliza : for being sensible and always beautifully behaved.

Luke : for showing us that he can sit and listen beautifully on the carpet.

CLASS 2 : Missy : for fantastic independent English work.

Lizzie : for excellent scientific knowledge.

CLASS 3: Lauren : for great multiplication maths work.

James : for his detailed descriptive writing.



HEAD TEACHER AWARDS

Erica, Isabelle M, Kian and Finn – for working with and helping to select an artist to work in school.

STAR AWARDS

Awarded by Kay the cook.....

Lois : for her increased confidence at lunchtime.

Svenna : for being very helpful at lunchtime.

Kian : for his excellent manners at lunchtime.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

We would like to invite you to our Harvest Festival Service which will be held on **Friday 6th October** at 9.30am in St Lawrence Church. We are collecting for the food bank/YMCA. If you would like to donate packets/tins of food, no perishable items, please bring them in on the morning of Friday 6th October. We will be creating a display of produce together with the church. We look forward to seeing you at the service.



PARKING AND TURNING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

Please be aware that it is an offence to park on the yellow lines outside the school railings. You must not wait, park or drop any children off where there are restrictions shown by yellow lines along the front railings or the school entrance.

Please leave the disabled space free so it is available for blue badge users only.

Can we also remind you all not to turn your vehicles in the school driveway or in any of the neighbouring driveways. Thank you.



LOST PROPERTY

Isabelle B in Class 1 has mislaid her school cardigan. It has got her name inside. If your child has taken it home by mistake could you please return it to one of the members of staff in Class 1. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary.

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| SEPTEMBER | |
| Sunday 24 th | 10.30am – Rev. Ward’s last service at St Peters Edgmond. |
| Friday 29 th | Class 2 trip – Chester Zoo |
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| OCTOBER | |
| Friday 6 th | St Lawrence School Harvest Festival Service. |
| Friday 6 th | Take away tea. |
| Sunday 8 th | 10.15am – St Lawrence Church Harvest Festival Family Communion. 6.30pm – Harvest Songs of Praise at St Lawrence Church. |
| Wednesday 11 th | 6.30pm Friends meeting. |
| Wednesday 18 th | Whole school Diwali Celebrations / Family day (details to follow) |
| Friday 20 th | Break up for half term. |
| Monday 30 th | Back to school. |
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| NOVEMBER | |
| Wednesday 6 th | 6.30pm Friends meeting |
| Tuesday 7 th | Parent appointments (details to follow) |
| Wednesday 8 th | Parent appointments (details to follow) |
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| DECEMBER | |
| Friday 1 st | 3.05pm - Christmas Fair. |
| Tuesday 5 th | Christmas performance -1.30pm |
| Wednesday 6 th | Christmas performance -1.30pm and 6.30pm (details to follow) |
| Sunday 10 th | 3.30pm – Christingle at St Lawrence Church. |
| Tuesday 12 th | Christmas breakfast and Whole School Theatre trip – (details to follow) Carols by Candlelight in Church at 7pm. |
| Thursday 14 th | Carols by Candlelight at St Lawrence Church |
| Friday 15 th | Break up for Christmas |
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| <u>JANUARY 2018</u> | |
| Wednesday 3 rd | Back to school |