

### St. Lawrence CE Primary School

**Executive Head Teacher - Ms. Helen Osterfield** 

Head of School - Mrs. Alison Moore

Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 25th October 2019

We have had a wonderful first half term and children are fully immersed in their class topics learning lots of facts and information and retaining information so they have depth of knowledge. As part of Class One's theme 'Me and My Place in the World' children have been exploring and finding out about the locality of the school. This week the children went on an expedition across the fields to visit Mrs Sankey's farm and were learning about the crops that have been growing. Children have been handling sugar beet, maize and wheat and talking about the food that they eat everyday that are made from these crops. Class Two have been finding out about Phileas Fogg and his Around the World in 80 days journey. In Class Three their theme of 'Significant Journeys' has been underpinned by learning about the explorer Ernest Shackleton and they have an exciting expedition planned to Arthog Outreach Centre that will bring their learning to life! We look forward to hearing more about this in the coming weeks.

We have arranged a Forest School day on Tuesday 5th November which will be led by Judie Ellis from Wrekin Forest School in Kynnersley. Activities planned will be around the theme of Bonfire Night and teaching children about British historical events linked to Guy Fawkes. Can we just remind you that children will need to bring waterproofs and wellington boots in a named bag on this day. These forest school sessions will replace PE sessions and we ask parents to dress children in uniform for the top half but children can come in to school wearing jogging bottoms or warm trousers. We thank you for your co operation with this in advance.

Its been a busy week with PE in school and I would like to personally thank Mr AI-Asmar and Mr Matthews (Sports Apprentice) for their organisation with these events which I hear were particularly successful. A big thank you to the children who as usual, showed great sportsmanship and behaviour and these events and came back really enthusiastic about their participation.

On a final note, over the last few weeks we have had a number of parents notifying school about their concerns about parking. As the safety of our St. Lawrence pupils' and their families is at the forefront of everything we do we would like to remind you to drive carefully and slowly through the village and park responsibly. I know that it is quite difficult as we do not have designated parking bays, however we would really appreciate it if you could co operate and be mindful of other people.

.Wishing you all a wonderful half term holiday.

Mrs Alison Moore and the team at St. Lawrence





#### <u>Class One</u>

Soraya—for supporting and helping her peers Finn W—for his creativity and inspiring ideas

#### <u>Class Two</u>

Sophie A - for being kind, helpful and supportive Eliza—for working hard all week

#### Class Three

Poppy - For showing 100% resilience and perseverance throughout the week Sophie— for always working hard in class and for a great effort in homework each week.

#### HEAD TEACHERS SPECIAL MENTION

Reid - For his wonderful Autumn Poem.

He even sang it to all of us in the tune of Autumn Days, well done Reid!

#### House Points Winners

This week the winning house was St. Patrick's with a staggering 107 points. Well done to Raymond and everyone who is a member of this house.

House name	Points this week	Points so far
St David	74	319
St Patrick	107	362
St Andrew	64	329
St George	82	267



#### Cultural Pathways: Mexico



#### Class 3

Mrs Leon talked to the children in school about life in Mexico. She showed them great videos and a PowerPoint presentation about several aspects of life in Mexico such as food, sport, art, music, leisure, history, geography etc. The children had a chance to generate their own questions about Mexico and Mrs Leon answered as many of these as she could.

All children in school then made Mexican pinatas!



#### Class 2 Pinata photo's







#### **KS1 Sports Hall Athletics**

On Wednesday afternoon, 9 Year 1 and Year 2 children participated in an event that included 16 other schools. The children were incredible all afternoon; cheering each other on and encouraging children from other schools. The smiles on the faces of all the children involved from St Lawrence were near permanent throughout the event. I also received lovely comments about the attitude, politeness and enthusiasm of the children from teachers of other schools and event organisers.

The children took part in the following events: jumper, bouncer, thrower, launcher, bowler, stepper and relay races.

We look forward to the next KS1 events that will be taking place over the year.

Well done all!

Mr.Al-Asmar and Mr.Matthews







#### Year 5/6 Football Festival at St Georges

Nine schools from across Telford participated in a Football Festival on Thursday morning. The children from St Lawrence were their enthusiastic, energetic, supportive and determined selves throughout the morning. Over the 6 games played, myself and Mr Matthews observed some excellent performances from all of the children regardless of the results. Charlie G produced some outstanding saves in goal while also providing assists for goals using quick thinking to throw the ball upfield towards our strikers. Lucas and Rachel contributed to the successes of the team with timely challenges at the back and goals; Rachel scoring a goal where she battled through half of the opposing team with the ball!

Austin, Ellie and Charlie all showed wonderful energy and commitment in midfield winning challenges and playing key passes in attacking moves. The defensive work shown by Finn and Poppy throughout the morning was exemplary and incredibly important to the team's results.

Well done to the children on their hard work and achievements.

Mr.Al-Asmar and Mr.Matthews

Link for Class 1 Spanish songs

Please find below the link for the playlist of Spanish songs that Mrs Leon has been teaching in class 1.

https://tinyurl.com/y4cah5d8





#### **BEATING ANXIETY WORKSHOP**

There are still places available at the Beating Anxiety Workshop that we will be holding on Monday 4th November at 3.15pm—4,15pm if you would like to attend.

#### CHANGE OF MENU

After half term the dinner menu will return on Week One.

However, that week it is Bonfire Night and the children requested Hot dogs.

So please note the changes below:

MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER—Pizza day

TUESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER - Hot dogs

The rest of the week will be as normal





#### SECONDARY ADDMISSIONS

Applications for Secondary schools must be sent back to Telford and Wrekin admissions by 31st October.



#### POPPY APPEAL

After half term your child will be able to purchase a Poppy for a small donation.

Also available this year for a suggested donation are zip-pulls 50p, Reflectors 50p, wristbands £1.00 and Snap-bands £1.50



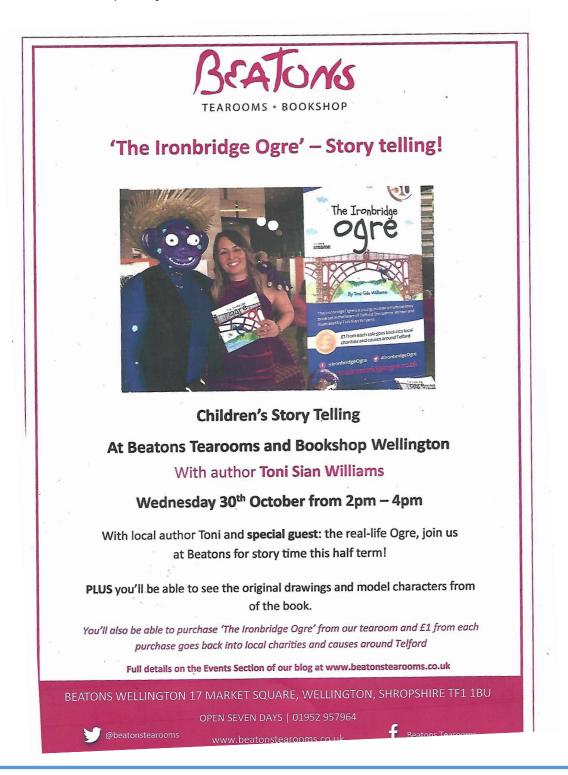
#### LOST PROPERTY

Oscar (Class 2) has lost his coat. It is dark grey, has a furry hood and a NY Brooklyn badge on the left arm. His name is written on the label in the back. If your child has taken it home by mistake could you please return it to school as soon as possible.

Beatons tearoom has recently opened in Market Square in Wellington and next week we have a local author, Sian Williams, coming to do a book reading of her own book 'The Ironbridge Ogre' - a wonderful children's book she has beautifully written. She will also be bringing along the real life Ogre! **Class One children will be focusing on this book after half term**.

The session will start at 2pm until 4pm and we are running an offer for every adult who purchases a hot drink, the child will receive a free apple, or orange juice along with a slice of homemade cake.

The event itself is completely free to attend.





#### FRIENDS OF ST LAWRENCE EVENTS DIARY

Friday 15th November:

Tuesday 19th November:

Friday 29th November:

Monday 2nd December: Wednesday 4th December: Tuesday 10th December: House Penny Race - Bags to be sent home for the collection of 1p, 2p & 5p collection Friends of St Lawrence PTFA Meeting 6pm school all welcome Mufti day for donation of Chocolate Tombola Wreath making night - Tickets on sale now £15 each House Penny Race - Return bags to school for counting Children's Secret Shopping Afternoon! 9.00am - 10.00am pre Christmas Nativity drinks and cakes in the church 4.00pm onwards after performance celebration at school Santa Claus during school hours ticketed event.

Thursday 19th December:



Let's Get Ready To Ramble

Chetwynd Deer Park, Newport, TF10 8EU

Open to the General Public For the Afternoon Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2019 1pm – 4 pm

Non – Members £5 per adult (minimum entry) Children FREE A discretionary donation by members is kindly appreciated.



Profits will go to Children In Need. Both the Pedestrian Entrance & Main Entrance will be open for entry, Parking available through Main Entrance only. Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times.



<u>OCTOBER</u>	
FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER -	Last day of Term
	Take away tea available after school

#### **NOVEMBER**

MONDAY 4TH NOVEMBER - Back to school		
Anxiety work shop for Parents 3.15—4.15pm		
TUESDAY 19TH NOVEMBER— PTA meeting 6pm in school		
FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER—Children In Need (Details to follow)		
FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER— Mufti Day in exchange for chocolate		
Wreath making night 7—10pm		

#### **DECEMBER**

TUESDAY 3RD DECEMBER - Class 3 Arthog Outreach WEDNESDAY 4TH DECEMBER—Christmas secret shopping TUESDAY 10TH DECEMBER— 9—10am Pre Christmas drinks and cakes in Church 10am—Christmas performance in Church 3pm—Christmas performance in Church 4pm onwards after performance celebration at school WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER - Whole school - Panto at Theatre Severn (afternoon showing)

THURSDAY 19TH DECEMBER—Father Christmas in school

FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER - Last day of term

BACK TO SCHOOL—Monday 6th January 2020