



St. Lawrence CE Primary School

Executive Head Teacher - Miss. Helen Osterfield

Head of School - Mrs. Alison Moore

Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 24h January 2020

Firstly, please can I remind parents that on Tuesday 4th February we will be holding a Phonic Workshop for Parents of children in Class 1 at 2.30pm in the school hall. If parents of children in Class 2 would like to attend also as a refresher you would be most welcome. I will be revisiting the Read, Write, Inc Phonics Scheme that we currently use in school as well as supporting parents with strategies to support their child at home with early reading. On the same day Mrs Standish will be holding a KS2 SATs Meeting with parents of children in Year 6 at 3.15pm. This will provide parents with an opportunity to find out about the statutory assessments at the end of Key Stage 2 which take place in May and ask any questions about this process. We look forward to welcoming you into school on this day.

Mrs Leon is currently undertaking ELSA training and will be a fully qualified Emotional Literacy Support Assistant here at St. Lawrence by the end of her programme of study. ELSAs help children and young people learn to understand their emotions and provide time and space for pupils to think about their personal circumstances and how they can manage their feelings. You can find out more about ELSAs at www.elsanetwork.org and access more details on our school website. As emotional health and well being is at the forefront we believe that having a member of staff trained will benefit our pupils and support the work already taking place.

As a school we place high priority on reading and here at St. Lawrence we view reading as 'the window to the world.' A child's reading skills are important to their success in school as it helps them access the breadth of the curriculum and improve their language and communication skills. In addition, reading is a fun, imaginative time for children, opening doors to all kinds of new worlds for them. With this in mind, we have noticed an increasing amount of children not reading at home and not practising the skills of reading. We need your support as your time dedicated to reading stories and reading individually with your child will improve their word recognition, vocabulary and comprehension. Please could you sign the reading agreement in front of the reading diaries and record times when you have read at home. Having parents in partnership with school significantly helps confidence and fluency.

Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Alison Moore and the team here at St. Lawrence CE Primary School.



Celebrating Success this week!

Class One

Finn - Super Science work with his knowledge & understanding

Emily - Super maths work and fabulous homework

Class Two

Harry - for his wonderful English work

Elizabeth - for being the “Best she can be”

Class Three

Lucas – amazing fractions all week

Kaleb – 100% effort in all tasks, especially recorder and DT



‘Commando Joe Bear’

This week’s ‘Champion of Resilience’ goes to Cora for her positive attitude and resilience with swimming.



House Points Winners

This week the winning house is **St David’s** gaining **163** points.

Well done to **Poppy** and everyone who is a member of this house.

House name	Points this week	Points so far
St David	163	1235
St Patrick	137	1378
St Andrew	134	1225
St George	117	1204

Guide Dog Visit

On Friday 31st January, we are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Janet Mitchell and her guide dog Inca to our school.

Mrs Mitchell has an amazing relationship with Inca and will be talking to all the children about the wonderful work of the Guide dogs for the Blind Association.

Those children who wish will also have the opportunity to meet Inca up close.

It would be a lovely gesture if we could present Mrs Mitchell with a contribution to The Guide Dog Association.

If you would like to donate please send a suggested donation of £1.00 to school on Friday 31st January.

Thank you



PRICE INCREASE FOR SCHOOL MEALS

There will be a price increase of 5p for school meals from April 1st 2020 making the cost of a school meal £2.35. Full week cost £11.75

A new menu will be sent home with your child before the Easter holiday and the new menu option will start after the Easter break.



Diary Dates

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 4th February - 2.30pm Phonics meeting. Reception and Year 1 parents

3.15pm SAT's meeting

Thursday 6th February - Hoola Nation

Friday 7th February — Mufti Day in exchange for cakes.

Friday 7th February — 2pm—3pm Cakes and Coffee afternoon for parents

Wednesday 12th February - Class 3 at Charlton : School of Rock

Friday 14th February- last day of school

Monday 24th February - Back to school

MARCH

Wednesday 11th March - Year 2 Big Sing @ Telford International Centre

Thursday 12th March - Year 5 Big Sing @ Telford International Centre

Wednesday 25th March - Individual School photographs

APRIL

Friday 3rd April - Last day of term.

Monday 20th April - Back to school