

St. Lawrence CE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

As our Monday evening announcement from the Prime Minister indicated, St. Lawrence Primary will reopen to all its pupils on Monday 8th March and school attendance from this date will be mandatory. School staff are looking forward to welcoming all pupils back and we are hopefully on the road to returning to a more normal way of life. Although the information from public



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health is improving, it still remains high priority that that we remain alert and follow guidance to keep all of us in the school community as safe as possible. As a small school, we only have one drop off point so we will need to ensure we have a staggered start and pick up to avoid parents congregating at these times. Face masks must continue to be worn at all times and parents must leave the school site as soon as children have been collected.

Staggered start and end of day arrangements

Classes	Drop off time	Collection time
Class 1 (YR/Y1)	8.45am	2.45pm
Class 2 (Y2/3)	8.55am	2.55pm
Class 3/4 (Y4,5,6)	9.05am	3.05pm

For those parents who have siblings in different years groups we are asking parents to drop both children at the earliest time of the youngest sibling and collect at the latest time. For example - Y1 and Y5 siblings, drop off 8.45 and collect 3.05pm. Please note that this decision is to ensure KS2 children get the adequate teaching time available. Kay, our school cook, will be offering children a hot school meal option daily and children can decide on the day whether they would like a hot lunch. The universal school meal (free lunch) is still available to all children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

For further information on <u>schools returning to school</u>, please follow the link.



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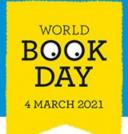
Home Learning

The home learning has been extremely impressive and we would like to express our thanks for how well you have engaged with SeeSaw over the last few weeks. We fully appreciate how difficult this can be, especially with different ages of children at home, with

differing needs but we thank you for working hard with your child and completing the tasks set. From the week commencing 8th March, we will no longer upload tasks to SeeSaw during the week but we will still use SeeSaw for uploading homework tasks.

Reading is the window to the world!

On Thursday 4th March it is 'World Book Day' and as a school we are passionate about reading so will be celebrating this event to encourage children's love of reading. If children are in school on this day accessing a key worker place they can dress up as their favourite book character or alternatively wear an outfit of their choice. For those children at home, you are welcome to do the same and dress up for



the day, uploading photographs of yourself in your chosen outfit to SeeSaw. This year, we will be encouraging the theme of the 'masked reader 'and asking children to become creative and make a mask of their favourite character. On Thursday, the activities set on the weekly timetable will be related to 'World Book Day' and we are asking children to choose at least 5 of the suggested activities. These activities will be uploaded to SeeSaw so children can see which ones they would like to participate in during the day.

School Uniform

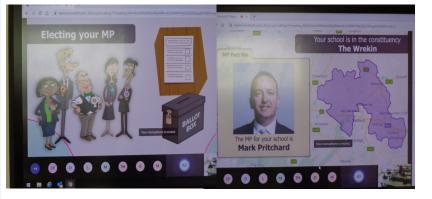
Over the last months we have had problems purchasing certain uniform items from our regular supplier. With that in mind, we have decided to use Baker and Son in Wellington as a preferred option. You will be able to order uniform online or pop in to store and hopefully this will be a more efficient service. We will inform you when the uniform is available to purchase.

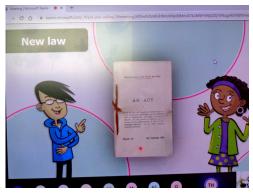


On Thursday 25th February, as part of upcoming Justice Week, years 5 and 6 took part in an online workshop with the UK Parliament Digital Workshop team.



In a very interesting, interactive session, the children had an introduction to our Parliament and our Parliamentary system. Specifically focusing on how you become an MP or a member of the House of Lords and also the process for making a new law.





Over the next week we will be asking the children to think about the law in the UK.

Can they imagine a world with no laws and how this could effect their lives?

What laws would they like to see introduced to improve the quality of life for children in the UK?

What process do they need to follow to bring their idea to the attention of their MP?



During Justice Week 2021 (between 1_{st} and 5_{th} March), Young Citizens will be running The Big Legal Lesson. By working together they aim to provide tens of thousands of children and young people with an increased level of understanding and knowledge about the law and our legal justice system.



Young Citizens is an education charity with over 30 years' experience helping young people to make informed decisions, take responsible action in their lives and get ready to shape the world they live in.



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<u>Return to school</u>

We will be sending information home next week about the days that classes will be participating in PE and Forest School sessions so that children can come into school dressed in PE kit on the specified days and bring in appropriate waterproof clothing. The first week back (week beginning 8th March) children will be participating in science activities to celebrate British Science Week - 5th to 14th March so that will be a wonderful, practical based week to get everyone engaged and working collaboratively together.

We are really looking forward to the School Community coming back together and heading towards a more normal way of life in the coming weeks and months.

With our very best wishes for a lovely weekend,

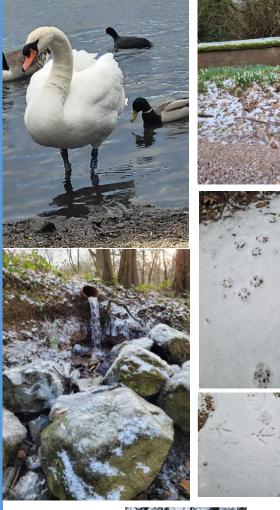
Mrs Moore, Mrs Nash and the team at St. Lawrence



Class 1—Forest photography competition. 'Wonderful in winter.'

To conclude our learning in Forest Friday about signs of winter and spotting wildlife during this season Class 1 were set the challenge of capturing the theme of 'Wonderful in winter' through taking photographs. Your entries were truly inspiring and you certainly rose to the challenge. A huge well done to all the children who entered, here are their amazing photos

Lottie





Rafael

Max



Class 1—Forest photography competition.

Emily







Isabella

We would like to give a special mention to Isabella who posted this amazing photograph showing rabbit prints. This gave us the inspiration to set this photography competition. Thank you Isabella



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⁹Class 1—Forest photography competition. continued.....



Oliver









⁹Class 1—Forest photography competition. continued.....

And the winners are

Emily (Year 1) for her stunning snowy, bare trees entry



And Oliver (Reception) for his magical, icy signs of wildlife entry.



Everyone who entered will receive a well deserved prize too - prizes will be sent home on Friday 12th March.



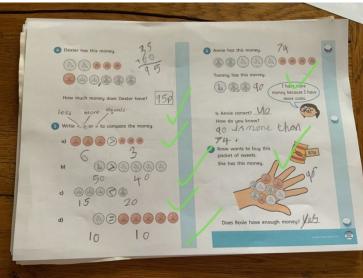
Home learning this week...

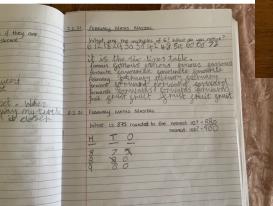
Class Two Home Learning



I have loved seeing and hearing about the extra learning you have been doing alongside the home learning. Well done Reid

Mr Al-Asmar





Olivia W. – Your home learning work has been terrific and I am so happy that you are now dividing by 2 and 3 confidently!

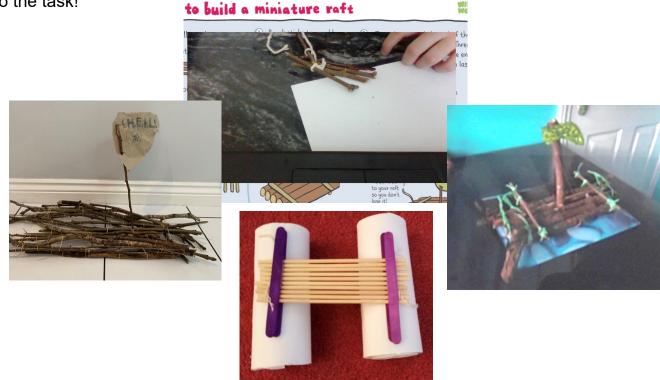
Mr Al-Asmar





Class Three Home Learning

This week, Mrs Standish wanted to share some of the amazing practical work that Y5 and 6 have produced at home as part of our remote learning timetable. In Forest Schools, the children were asked to design and make a miniature raft. Look these fantastic responses to the task!



This week as part this week's remote Art challenge, the children were asked to design a 'Flower Vase' using only plastic bottle, bottle tops and paints. Look at some of the amazing work sent in using these recyclable items!









Home learning this week.

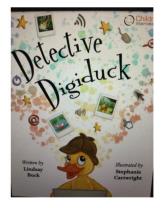
Safer Internet Day Tuesday 9th February

We acknowledged Safer Internet Day before half term and it was wonderful seeing children participate in the activities at home and in school









The children in Class 1 read the story of Detective Digiduck, helping them to understand that what they read or see online might be true, untrue or someone else's opinion.









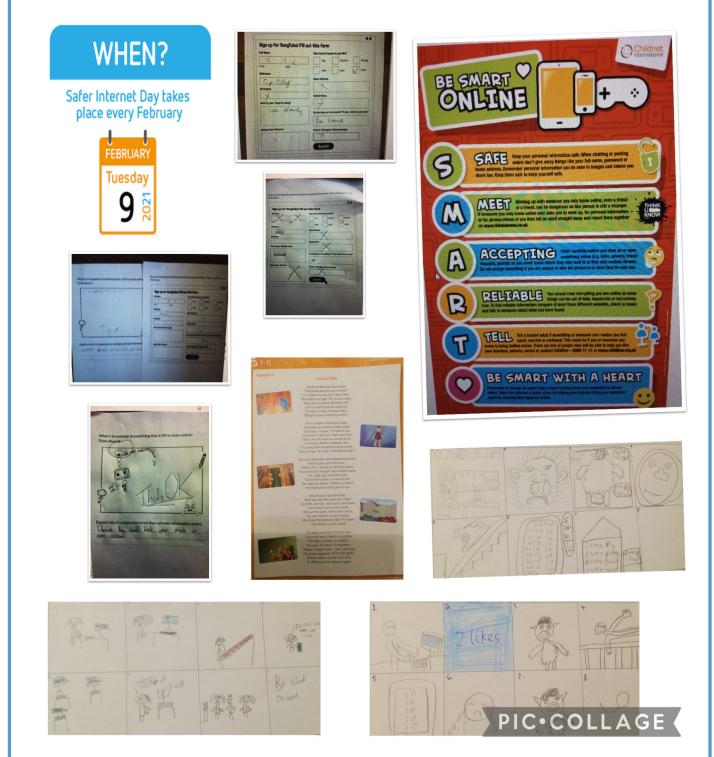








Safer Internet Day Tuesday 9th February



The children read the poem "Jessica's wish" and learnt how our different interests. Skills and opinions are what makes the internet such an interesting place. We also learnt how to stay safe by keeping our personal information private.