

Executive Head Teacher - Mrs Rebecca Nash Head of School - Mrs Alison Moore



Dear Parents,

7th May 2021

We do hope that you had a lovely long Bank Holiday weekend and enjoyed the additional day, hopefully spending quality time with your family. This week has been a short week in school and we really do appreciate your understanding and patience with us yesterday, with school being a polling station. Thank you to those parents who were able to keep their children at home for the day, this was extremely helpful as numbers of children accessing key worker places was kept to a minimum.

Last Friday (30th April), our Year 4 children visited Chetwynd Deer Park and had the most wonderful afternoon exploring and taking part in the 'Spring Explorers' activities. Mrs Barker and Mrs Sankey accompanied the children and were most impressed with the organisation and the fact they got the whole park to themselves! The children In Y4 were a sheer delight and I heard it first hand that their enthusiasm, behaviour and interest was impeccable. Chetwynd Park will be offering a 'Photography Workshop' for Y5 on the afternoon of Monday 24th May 2021. We will be sending out further information next week to the parents of those children involved.









You will have received a Parentmail yesterday from our Chair of Governors, Mr Paul Evans, notifying you of Mrs Nash's recent news. This news was shared with the children today but please be rest assured it was delivered at an age appropriate level of understanding and with sensitivity. Should you feel your child needs further discussion around this area please contact the school office to have a chat Mrs Moore. Mrs Nash remains heavily involved with St. Lawrence in her role as Executive Head teacher and will continue leading weekly virtual Worship sessions in school. When a school community is faced with challenging and difficult times strength and courage comes from the support gained from one another and our Christian faith. We all wish Mrs Nash and her family the very best in the coming weeks and months and offer our continued support, she will never be far from our thoughts.

<u>Mufti Day</u>

Next Friday (14th May), we will be having a wear what you want day in school and ask for a voluntary contribution (minimum £1). The proceeds from this event will be donated to Breast Cancer Now. We do hope that you will support this event.



Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend Mrs Moore, Mrs Nash and the Team of St Lawrence





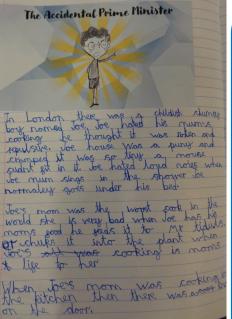


As we come to the end of the first week of May, the science experiment seedlings have begun to shoot and demonstrate to us that with the right growing conditions, plants can grow in any space!

Hopefully, with more consistent weather, we can plant our new additions to school outside.

The children have produced some fantastic writing in the style of a fable using our focus text 'The Accidental Prime Minister'. I have been really impressed with the quality and presentation of the work produced.





This week in Forest School, the children have learnt the skill of tying Square Knots. We applied this to creating Knot Art using different coloured string and rope to make shapes and patterns. Our focus work this week in topic lessons has been on Scotland. We have made the connections between St Andrew and the Scottish Flag while comparing the different man made and natural features of the country. The children were fascinated by the Loch Ness Monster.

I've used purple and brown string for my knot art.



The knot is really strong for making shelters.



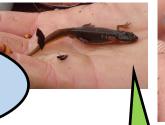




Outdoor Excitement for Year Last Friday, St Lawrence School achieved an exciting milestone, in the relaxing of Covid Restrictions. We had our first school trip, since restrictions began in March 2020! HURRAH

Year 4 had an amazing visit to Chetwynd Deer Park, near Newport. They took part in, pond dipping, bug eating and a bug search around the park.

> "This experience was great because it was really educational."



Class 3 Nows



"This is a Caddis Fly larvae"



"We found a young Great Crested Newt. The Park Ranger, Martin, was very excited because it was the first one that he had seen there!"





We found loads of tadpoles and two Water boatmen."













"We could try the meal worms and crickets. I ate five mealworms and one cricket!"









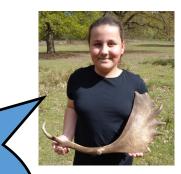


Can you see the oak tree lion? "We found a millepede and a Cardinal Beetle. The beetle is rare and again it was the first one the Park Ranger had seen at the park! Year 4 are awesome!"

It was great fun because Izzy found a Fallow Deer antler, that we could take back to school."

"The deer had only lost it two days before. We learnt that deer, nibble on the old antlers for the minerals."

In the park there were really old, gigantic, nobly, oak trees !" "We found, a complete deer head skull with its antlers. It was amazing and awesome."





Celebrating Success this week!



<u>Class One</u>

- Millie for always showing a positive attitude and trying hard
- Noah for his wonderful work in all areas but particularly in his story map

<u>Class Two</u>

- Isla excellent contributions in all lessons
- Beth for her wonderful independent writing this week

<u>Class Three</u>

- Jessica for excellent effort in maths work.
- Zaine for being confident and always contributing to discussions





FRIENDS OF ST LAWRENCE

The next PTFA meeting will be held on Thursday 20 May at 8pm via Zoom. The meeting will be open to all parents/carers/grandparents

A Zoom link will be sent out nearer the time for you to join the meeting.

The PTFA would like to thank the school, children and families for supporting the Easter sponsored walk/run/cycle.

Whilst we are still awaiting final figures as there are some sponsorships still to be returned, we are hopeful that it will have been a very successful event.

If you still have sponsor money to bring into school could you do so as soon as possible and drop it off at the school office. Thank you.



<u>The UEFA Euro 2020</u>

We have received some UEFA Euro 2020 official sticker album (Tournament edition) along with packets of Tournament official stickers. If you would like your child to have an album and a packet of stickers they are available from the school office for you to collect.

There is also a chance to enter an amazing design a football competition to win a £50.00 voucher and football shirt for the winning pupil PLUS £3000 for school.





CLASS TIMETABLES

CLASS 1

THURSDAY - PE

FRIDAY - FOREST SCHOOLS

CLASS 2

WEDNESDAY - PE and FOREST SCHOOLS

CLASS 3

MONDAY

Year 6: Children will be taking part in either a Commando Joe session or a Forest School Session. On this day, please dress your child in Forest school clothing (tracksuit bottoms, trainers, school T shirt, fleece, separate top to put over for forest schools). Please do not dress children in shorts, even if it is warm, as shorts are not suitable for Forest School. If it has been wet please also provide wellingtons.

Years 4 and 5: Normal school uniform day.

TUESDAY Normal school uniform day for all years in Class 3.

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FRIDAY

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