



St. Lawrence CE Primary School

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Dear Parents,

9th July 2021

This week has presented yet another challenge with the Class 1 bubble closure, but once again, I can't thank parents enough for your understanding and patience. We are governed by Public Health to the procedures that need to be adhered to in these situations. Hopefully, moving forward with the government announcement this week, our bubble closures will be a thing of the past from September. I must commend our pupils for their resilience during these times, as they have shown such maturity.

It's Coming Home!

There has been a frenzy of excitement this week surrounding the success of England's win against Denmark leading them to be in the final of Euros 2021! Whether you like football or not, I am sure you will agree that it has brought the nation together and we will all be cheering the team on Sunday evening. For the first time in 55 years, England have reached a major final so we feel it is something to celebrate. From speaking to many of our children and parents, children will be staying up to watch the match which kicks off at 8pm. As a gesture of goodwill, we are letting parents know that you may bring children in to school at 10am on Monday morning if they have watched the match. On this occasion, children will not receive a late mark unless they arrive later than 10am. Hopefully it will mean that children can have a little longer in bed and won't be as tired and emotional through the day. All teachers and staff will of course be in school from the usual time and 'Little Oaks' breakfast club will be open for those who want to be in school as normal.





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School's Ocean Trail Project

Our fish is taking shape! I thought I would give you a little sneak preview of the St. Lawrence fish entry for the School's Ocean Trail Project. The aim of the project is to create further awareness about the protection of marine life. We had chosen Zach's wonderful design and throughout this week we have had children helping to paint the fish, so it becomes a real team effort!

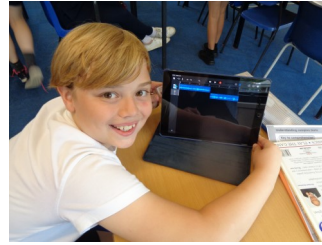
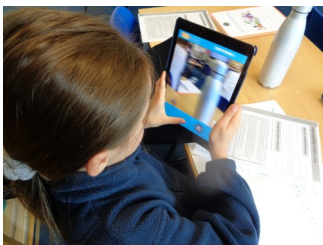


Amazing ICT

We were very lucky to have the PTFA fund new ipads for school. To enable us to use these to their full potential we have bought in the specialist help of Paul Gerry who works for AmazingICT along with Richard Smilth. Amazing ICT offer training packages to both schools in Telford and Wrekin and Shropshire and their knowledge and skills in the subject of computing is magnificent! Paul worked with children in Class 3 (Y4/5/6) on Tuesday and delivered staff training on Wednesday evening. Next Friday (16th) Paul will be back in school to work with children in Class 1 and Class 2.

Work in Class 3

He introduced the children to some fantastic Apps – Sketches School, Garage Band and Chatterpix. The children thoroughly enjoying exploring these Apps on our new Ipads and can't wait for so follow up ICT lessons!



Child quotes:

Chatterpix: 'I liked that we could make the objects talk!' (Jessica)

Garage Band: 'I liked how you record it in your own voice first and then change it into a



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Newport Show Photography Competition

As you may be aware, our Year 5 children went to Chetwynd Deer Park for a Photography Workshop on Monday 24th May and took some beautiful photographs during their time at the park. Yesterday we had confirmation of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize winners from St. Lawrence who each received an Amazon Gift voucher for their wonderful images.

1st



2nd



3rd



Congratulations to our prize winners Keira, Austin and Arianna in Year 5 who have been so creative with digital media. I am sure you will agree, we have some budding photographers of the future!

Thank you to Mrs Sankey for all her help and organisation in entering the children for the competition.

We are also entering the potato growing competition for the Newport Show and next week the judges will be heading to school to weigh them. Fingers crossed they are super heavy!!



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Sports Day results

FINAL RESULTS

St Andrews – 149

St Patricks – 134

St Georges – 131

St Davids – 118

Well done to Maisie and all the members in St Andrew's House.

End of Year school reports

Years 2,3,4,5 and 6

Your child's report will be sent home today in a brown envelope.

Years Reception and Year 1

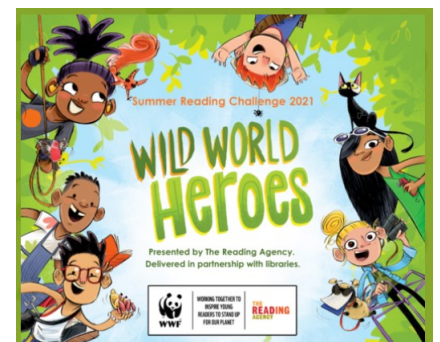
You will receive your child's report via parentmail but will also receive a hard copy on their return to school on Monday.



Summer Reading Challenge

St. Lawrence has been very proud to support the Summer Reading Challenge each year. It is a great initiative to encourage children to read and develop their skills as well as their love of reading. This year's Reading Challenge will be launched online at your local library from July 10th. Please access the link provided for further details -

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>



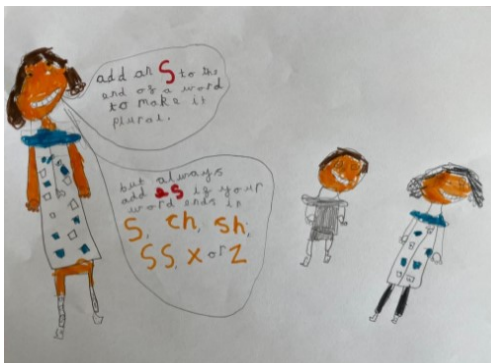
This year the reading challenge is heading for Wilderville! It is a pretty cool place, but there are a lot of things that the Wild World Heroes can do to make their town even better for the people and animals that live there. Join the Wild World Heroes for the Summer Reading Challenge and discover if you can make a difference to the environment too!



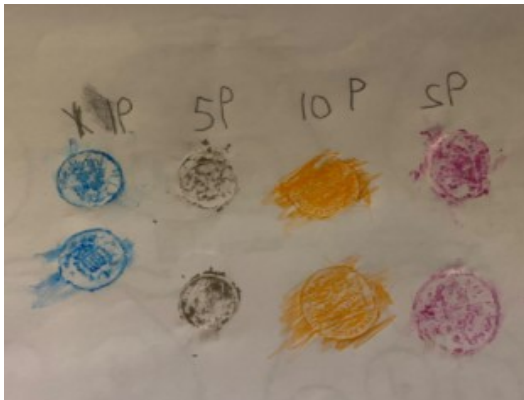
Home learning - class 1

Class 1 have once again shown their resilience and the St Lawrence Way whilst they have been learning at home this week. You should be very proud of your efforts and we also recognise the support the children have received from adults at home during what can be a very tricky time and a real juggling act. Well done everyone.

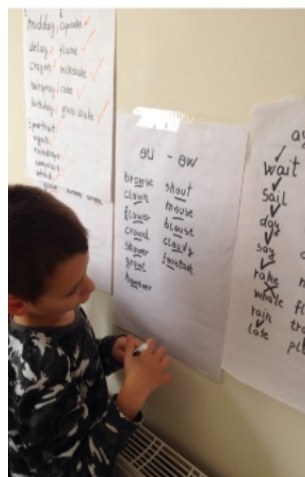
Here are a selection of photographs of your amazing learning at home. We are very proud of your hard work and can't wait to see you back in school next week to enjoy the remaining few days of term together.



Emily (left) designed a fantastic poster to explain the spelling rules of how we write words in the plural.

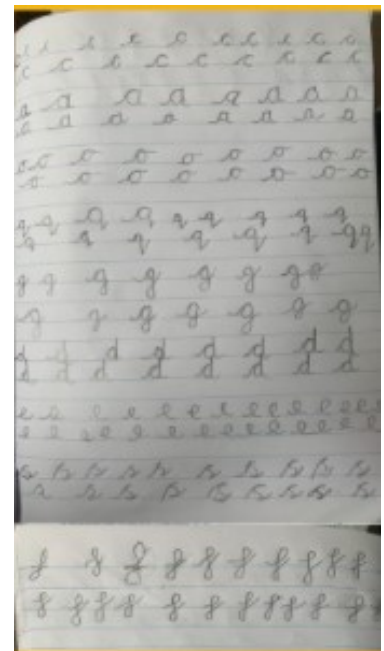


William (above) did some amazing coin rubbings to find out more about the coins we use and their value. Brilliant work William!



Rafael (left) has been working very hard on his phonics this week. Here he is busy writing lots of words containing our set 3 sounds.

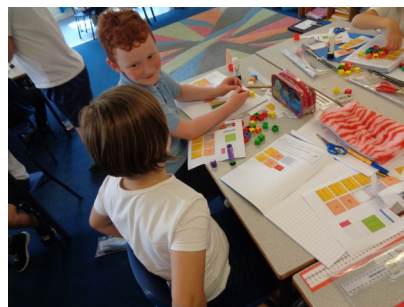
Oliver (bottom left) created a brilliant picture about sun safety. His picture shows him wearing a hat and putting on sun cream as well as drinking lots of water. Well done!



Max (above) has been practising his cursive handwriting of all our curly 'Caterpillar letters'. This is amazing Max, all your letters are so neat!

Class 2

In Maths, we have been continuing our work on fractions, now learning how to find fractions of amounts. The children have shown great enthusiasm all week for this. To secure our understanding, the week was started with cubes and counters being used to physically carry out the maths. We have ended the week focusing on the abstract.



In Forest School, the children created structures that they thought were important for the space. Here is a snapshot of some of the structures.

One group created an exercise space complete with hurdles (second picture).

For our work in Religious Education on the theme of 'Faith', we discussed some of the teachings and quotes of the Dalai Lama. After investigating the messages behind these quotes, the children were tasked with choosing a quote that meant the most to them and creating a visual representation of them.

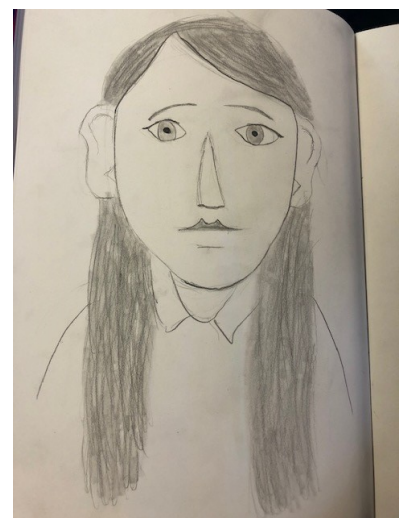




Year 4 and 5 this week...

Year 4/5

This week, Henry, our resident artist, has been in Year 4 and 5 teaching the children how to sketch portraits. They were fascinated and enthused as to how they could improve their technique and add detail to their drawings.



This week we have started our final topic in literacy -poetry. We started our unit by looking at examples of black out poetry and then creating our own.

What is black out poetry?

Blackout poetry is when you take a written piece of text from a book, newspaper, or magazine and redact words, in order to come up with your very own poetry!





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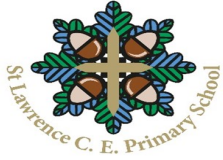
Year 6 at Arthog Outreach...

The Year 6's have had a fantastic time of adventures at Arthog this week! On Wednesday, they went to Grinshill where they climbed and abseiled down a cliff! They showed resilience and bravery throughout, and we were so impressed with how high each of them reached!



On Thursday, they went to a nearby lake where they canoed in two groups! They had so much fun racing, playing games and exploring the wildlife in the water. They saw lots of different fish, heard rare birds and were even brave enough to stand up in the canoe whilst it was moving! They worked so well as a team and represented St Lawrence with pride!





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Group photograph's

If you would like to order a group photograph of your child's class or a Year 6 leavers photograph please follow the link below and it will direct you to Tempest website. Just follow the instructions to purchase your photographs.

All images:

<http://http.st/StLawrenceGallery>



No orders are being taken in school

Dinner money

This is a message to Year 6 parent's. Please keep an eye on your child's dinner account to ensure there is a sufficient balance to cover the cost of any dinners they wish to have next week. Be aware, do not over pay as it is very difficult for Kay to return the money, you would have to apply to Telford and Wrekin Council.



Celebrating Success this week!



St. Lawrence Values Award

Our St. Lawrence Values Award is an award nominated by the pupils to the pupils and reflects the school's values. Children are so intuitive and can often pick up on those little details that sometimes adults miss out on, so it is lovely that children get to vote.

This week Poppy has nominated Sophie C for the value of "Helping and Supporting" another child in the hall when cleaning away.

Class One

Darci - for lots of excellent learning all week.

Max - for lots of excellent home learning all week.

Class Two

Ivy-Rose - doing so well with fractions this week.

James - for being a caring member of class.

Class Three

Isabelle B — for 100% effort at all times

Zaine— for showing resilience when rock climbing on our school trip.

