

# St Lawrence CE Primary



## NEWSLETTER



*'Being the best we can be with God, knowing that with God all things are possible'*

Friday 12th November 2021

Dear Parents,

We have had another busy, productive week here at St. Lawrence and as usual the children have showed excellent behaviour for learning and been immersed in their themes. We have revised our new **Behaviour Policy** and this will be available on our school website once we have had approval from governors. Our School Council have been heavily involved in the behaviour policy and collecting views from the children in school. The consensus was to have a visual representation in classes and each class now has an Oak tree with the tagline 'Be Tree-mendous' to indicate positive behaviour. Look out for gold stickers and a 'Good News' postcard for those children reaching the top of the tree. A huge thank you must go to our pupils and staff for their involvement with this incentive. Everyone has ownership of this new system and as usual teamwork has been key to success!

Thank you all for your engagement with parents consultations over the last two weeks. I know that from the feedback I have been given by both parents and teachers that it was hugely positive. If you do have any further questions or queries please do phone the school office to arrange a further appointment with your child's class teacher or Mrs Moore as we are always happy to help.

The PTFA have been busy meeting to organise Christmas plans for the children and as you will see later on in the newsletter we have a PTFA Corner outlining all the wonderful activities planned in the coming weeks. I would just like to place on my record a huge thanks to the PTFA members for their dedication, commitment and enthusiasm. They really do place the children at the heart of all their decision making!

Miss Beirne has had a positive first week here at St. Lawrence and I know Reception children have really enjoyed getting to know her. She has been full of enthusiasm and definitely embracing the 'St. Lawrence Way'.

This afternoon a group of children in year 3 and 4 were chosen to represent St. Lawrence in the Kwik Cricket Tournament at Telford tennis Centre in Wrockwardine Wood accompanied by Mr Al-Asmar and Mr Matthews. We look forward to hearing all about it and giving you an update in next week's newsletter.



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## Odd Socks Day



This year we will be showing our support for Anti-Bullying Week and the odd socks campaign. This year's theme is 'One kind word.' Please show your support by sending your child to school wearing odd socks on Wednesday 17th November, the brighter and bolder the better! We are not asking for a donation but the Safeguarding Ambassadors will be delivering an assembly on the day about Anti-Bullying.

Please see the link here for further information [Odd Socks Campaign](#)

## Christmas Dinner and Christmas jumper day

On Wednesday 15th December we will have a school 'Christmas Jumper Day' to raise money for "Save the Children". We are asking children to wear a Christmas jumper in return for a suggested donation of £1.00. The money raised will help children all around the world get the food they need.



Can we just remind parents that it is school uniform but instead of school jumper/cardigan it is a Christmas top. Please do not go out and buy one especially for this day. Homemade ones are just as nice.



Also, on this day we will be having our School Christmas dinner. A parentmail went out before half term to notify parents that we were booking every child in for a Christmas dinner. If you do not want your child to have a Christmas dinner you were to notify the office that your child would be bringing a packed lunch from home or if your child is in key stage one would require a packed lunch provided by the school kitchen. The cost of a school dinner is £2.40.

## Competition time!



"Our safety ambassadors have decided on a name for their team, they are now known as the 'Safety Squad'. The Safety Squad team delivered a fantastic assembly on today about 'Children's Rights' and told the school about their 'Design a poster' competition. They would like the children to design a poster about children's rights, a template to do this on has come home today, or you can just use a plain piece of A4 paper. Please return your entries by the **MORNING**

of Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> November and the Safety Squad will judge them to decide on a winner. There will be a prize for an Early years, Key Stage One and Key Stage Two winner. Winners will be announced in our assembly next Friday.



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## A Wonderful Win for our Mixed 5/6 Football Team!

### Millbrook Primary 0 – 2 St Lawrence CE

Last night, our Mixed 5/6 Footballers put in an incredible performance to beat Millbrook Primary 2-0. In our first 7 v 7 game this academic year, the children showed great resilience and teamwork to come away with the victory. Two goals from Charlie in the second half, the first coming from a well worked freekick, gave our team the win. Our team looked solid defensively and another day, we could have added to our score with a few more goals.



Well done everyone – we are very proud.



**FRIDAY 19TH NOVEMBER**

This years theme is 'Together, We Can'.

Together, we can help children and young people across the UK know that they are not alone, and that we are here for them."



All children can come to school in something spotty for a minimum donation of £1.00

Please do not go out and buy something especially, homemade items are just as good!



# Celebrating Success this week!



## AWARDS THIS WEEK GO TO....

### St. Lawrence Values Award

Our St. Lawrence Values Award is an award nominated by the pupils and teachers to reflect the school's values represented in the 'St. Lawrence Way'.

This week Miss Fisher has nominated the Safety Squad for working so hard to deliver a brilliant assembly about children's rights.

### Class One

Ewuradwoa—for fantastic listening and learning this week.

### Class Two

Ariana - for her lovely reading work

Lottie - for working really hard in all lessons.



### Class Three

Isabella – for her enthusiasm in all tasks and always putting 100% effort

James - always offering his help to grown ups and his peers.

### Class Four

Jessica - Excellent effort in Maths

Ciaran - fantastic art work of the silhouette of a soldier

### Head teacher's Award

Charlie W – Confident and articulate discussion about his maths work this week and positivity about his learning.

### House point winners

This week the winning house is **St George** with a staggering **81** points

Well done to **Lola** the House Captain and everyone who is a member of this house

HOUSE NAME	POINTS THIS WEEK	POINTS IN TOTAL
St David	106	564
St Patrick	78	530
St Andrew	90	578
St George	125	559





# Achievements beyond the classroom

I completed stage 6 in my swimming and now I am in stage 7.

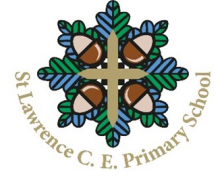


Well done Olly





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## Dates for your diary.....

### NOVEMBER

- Thursday 18th November - Year 5/6 Girls football match at St Lawrence
- Friday 19th November - Children in Need
- Tuesday 23rd November - Year 5/6 mixed football match at Lilleshall
- Friday 26th November - Mufti Day (Christmas food & drink items)

### DECEMBER

- Friday 3rd December - Movie night run by PTFA from 5.30pm
- Wednesday 8th December - Christmas Nativity (Refreshments)
  - 9.45–10.30 : Classes 1 & 4
  - 10.45–11.45 : Classes 2 & 3
- Thursday 9th December - Theatre trip : Classes 1 & 2
- Tuesday 14th December - Theatre trip : Classes 3 & 4
- Wednesday 15th December - Christmas dinner / Jumper day
- Thursday 16th December - Santa visit
- Friday 17th December - Last day of term

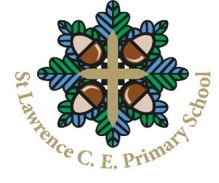


### JANUARY

- Monday 3rd January - PD Day
- Tuesday 4th January - Back to school



# PFTA Corner...



Welcome to PTFA Corner!

We've got some exciting updates for you this week and wanted to share the following details with you all!

This includes an array of events and activities in the coming weeks and we would love you to add them to your diaries!

- **THE BIG PTA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE** Who fancies their chances at winning up to **£5000**? Not only will it raise money for school, there's also 12 chances to win! Follow the link below!
- **FRIDAY 19th Nov HOUSE PENNY RACE SMARTIE TUBES EVENT**. Each child will be sent home with a tube of Smarties (or allergy safe equivalent-please let the school office know of any requirements). These will be labelled with their house. Each tube is to be returned to school by 17th December with as few or as many 20p coins as they like. Once all tubes have been returned and totals counted, the house with the most amount of money raised will get a prize upon their return to school in the new year!
- **MUFTI DAY FRIDAY 26th Nov** All children are welcome to come dressed in Mufti in return for a Christmas food or drink item to be brought in for our adults Christmas hamper raffle taking place in December. The winners will be announced at the Christmas performance.

- **XMAS FILM NIGHT FRIDAY 3rd Dec 5:30pm** This film night is on us! All children are invited to a festive film night. They can pop on their Pjs and join their friends back at school in class to watch a Christmas film of their choice (classes will be voting on a selection of films available). There will also be snacks and refreshments to look forward to. If children normally attend Little Oaks on this day, don't worry, they can still join in straight from club and their evening meal will be provided.
- **CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE REFRESHMENTS 8th Dec** We'll be offering some tasty treats and refreshments at this years Christmas performance as well as raffling off some marvellous hampers! There'll be 2 hampers being raffled off for each performance, 1 for the children with these prizes being kindly donated by The Friends and teachers of St Lawrence, and 1 for the adults!
- **SPECIAL VISIT! 16th Dec** There's word from the North Pole that pupils at St Lawrence will be having some very special visitors this day!

Don't forget your Rudolph cards orders should be back with us around the 2nd week of December and will be coming home with children from school. We had some amazing artists again this year! Well done!

Thank You so much as always for all your continued support!





# PFTA Corner....



## A message from the PTFA

We are excited to join The Big PTA Christmas Raffle. After the last 18 months, we are determined to get our fundraising back on track and this is an opportunity to have some fun and raise money for our school.

For every ticket purchased, you will have 12 chances to win up to £5,000!\* At the same time, we will raise 50% from every ticket sold supporting our PTA. It's a fantastic way to bring parents, carers, teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our PTA, and at the same time give something back. We hope to raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children – we aim to provide extra resources for the children, improve the school environment, as well as run extracurricular activities such as music, art and sport.

Your support is greatly appreciated and we wish you good luck!

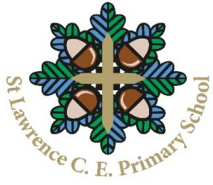
Yours sincerely,

*Julie Jones*

*Chair*



Above is the QR code that can be used to purchase tickets.



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## Parentkind



**Bring a little sparkle  
and festive cheer this year!**

**WIN UP TO £5,000**

**£3 ticket enters you in all 12 draws**

- ★ Help boost PTA fundraising
- ★ Tickets cost just £3
- ★ 12 chances to win up to £5,000
- ★ PLUS! A special prize draw worth £2,500 for all PTAs selling 120 tickets or more!



**Don't delay – buy your tickets today!**

It is illegal for anyone under 16 years of age to purchase or sell raffle tickets. Anyone under 16 years of age who buys a ticket for the Big PTA Christmas Raffle will immediately forfeit the right to any prize. Closing date 12<sup>th</sup> Dec 2021. A raffle is a form of gambling. If you, or someone you know, needs information and/or help with a problem gambling, please call GamCare on 0845 6000 133 or visit [www.gamcare.org.uk](http://www.gamcare.org.uk)