

St Lawrence CE Primary

NEWSLETTER



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

Friday 19th November 2021



This week children have been participating in activities related to Anti-bullying week with the slogan 'one kind word' at the core of our discussions. I had the privilege of observing our year 5 and 6 pupils discussing this theme in one of their 'Talk time' sessions based on the book **Wonder** which has been their class text. I was accompanied by governor Pat Jones and Michelle Parker from the LA for the visit and we were all so impressed with the children's responses and their excellent behaviour for learning.

Here are some of their examples which I am sure you will agree, do tug at the heart strings!

Only talk about size, when
someone's personality is big!

Darcey

Being deformed doesn't
change anything: it just makes
you unique. Abi

Respect how people are
different: we shouldn't have to
change to blend in. Jess

Somebody's abnormal is your
normal.

Graciella

Throughout the week we have held school events and assemblies to promote the anti-bullying campaign. Our **Safety Squad** have been extremely busy this week leading this initiative. Thank you to all of those that supporting the 'odd socks' campaign on Wednesday. As you can see, there was a vast array of interesting socks on show and the response from Keira (Y6) pretty much sums it up **"No one blends in. We are all born to stand out and be unique."**





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Winners

On Thursday the Safety Squad judged the entries to their poster competition about Children's Rights and in today's celebration assembly announced the winners. They explained the reasons why these children's posters had been chosen and awarded a prize. Thank you to everyone who entered, if you weren't a winner this time, there will be more competitions happening throughout the year. Well done to our winners, they are:

Early Years – Clara

KS1 – Baaba

KS2 – Lizzie



[Class 1 request](#)

Reception are asking for any boxes, cardboard tubes or recyclable items as their junk modelling stocks are running low and in need of replenishing. If you have any we would be really grateful if you could please bring them into school and pass on to Miss Beirne or Miss Fisher.

[Reading records and books](#)

Could we please remind parents and children that reading logs should be in school every day.



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A note from Mr Al-Asmar

Years 5/6 Girls Football league - St Lawrence CE 0 – 4 Apley Wood

Yesterday, our school played host to the first competitive football match on our field in the time that I have been fortunate enough to teach here. It was an incredibly supportive atmosphere that our girls will no doubt cherish. I must thank the parents, children and staff who took the time to come and support us before I discuss the match – thank you.

Over the last 3 games in the Girls Football League, the improvement of every individual and the team as a whole has been terrific. Last night, the girls yet again showed such resolve, grit and togetherness to keep working hard and be competitive throughout a tough game. Unfortunately, missed opportunities to score meant a loss. However, as a school, we prioritise performances and the development of the children's skills over any results. We are so proud of the team for yesterday's performance.

We would like to say a very big thank you to Mr Jenkins (Mrs Jenkins husband) who gave up his own time to referee the girls football match. It was very kind of him and I am sure we will see him again at future matches.

Well done on being terrific!



Last week's Kwik Cricket

Last Friday, 10 children from Year 3 & 4 represented our school at a Kwik Cricket competition. The children had a wonderful time and were an absolute credit to St Lawrence. Their enthusiasm, attitudes and enjoyment of the event were exemplary; staff at the event from the Sports Partnership and other schools were full of praise for the children. Watching the children field with high energy and strike the ball to the double point areas were particular highlights. We've had such a brilliant start to the year with our participation at events and competitions and the Year 3/4 children added to this. Well done – you were brilliant!





Acts of Kindness



The St. Lawrence community is known for its Christian values of love, respect and kindness and over the last few weeks our 'cup has runneth over' (Psalms:23:5). Staff have been overwhelmed by parents kindness and generosity and we are all so immensely grateful.

Firstly, thank you so very much to all the parents who contributed to the hampers for Mrs Nash's two young boys. The gifts you donated were absolutely perfect and very generous. Mrs Moore and Mrs Barker hand delivered the parcels and were able to see Mrs Nash, who is recovering very well from her operation. Today, we received such lovely 'thank you' cards from Mrs Nash and her boys which have really made our day!

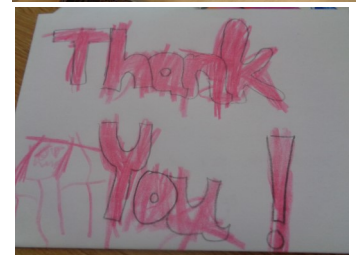
To my St Lawrence family,
Thank you so much for the wonderful boxes you collected for my boys - their faces lit up on arriving home from school, and I have had some peaceful afternoons while they have coloured, built, painted and played. I am so thankful, and they are too. The pictures on the boxes are so lovely - we can't throw the boxes away; what talented artists you are!
Thank you as well for my treats -

I'm looking forward to using the snugly hot water bottle on cold evenings.

I think about you all and miss you - I am looking forward to being able to come back and can't wait to see you; I bet you've grown and learnt lots of new things!

Thank you again for your kindness,

Love from Mrs Nash.



Secondly, a huge thanks goes to Charlie and the Wheeler family. Our goalposts were in a state of disrepair and School Council were discussing ways in which they could raise money to purchase new ones. Charlie, went home and explained this to his Dad,. They approached their football team who have kindly donated goals along with corner flags and poles, match ball and man of the match trophies! Thank you so very much and a special mention must go to Ercall Colts also for their generosity!

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 Mrs Moore has nominated Lizzie, Jess, Daisy, Ella, Angelica, Abi and Lola for showing hard work, dedication and resilience during our first girl's football match at St Lawrence.

Class One

Ewuradwoa - for working so hard in maths all week

Class Two

Harlow—for showing brilliant learning behaviour.

Aman - for being really kind to others.

Class Three

Faith— for excellent writing this week

Reid - for always trying his hardest in class.

Class Four

Graciella – fantastic reasoning during maths lessons

Sophie - Improved confidence and contribution in maths lessons



Head teacher's Award

Oscar - for his excellent contributions in class and assemblies.

House point winners

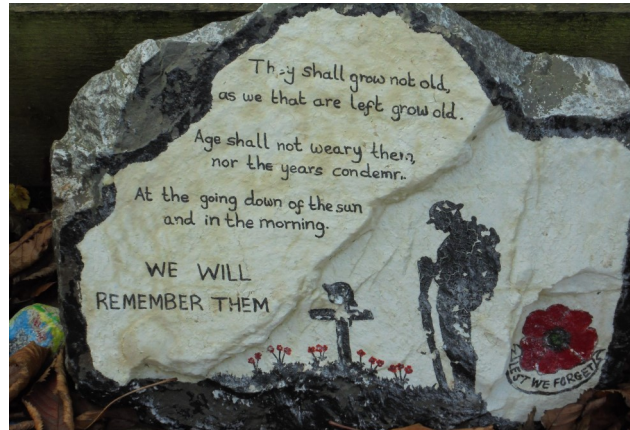
This week the winning house is **St Andrews** with a staggering **106** points

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

HOUSE NAME	POINTS THIS WEEK	POINTS IN TOTAL
St David	33	597
St Patrick	65	595
St Andrew	106	684
St George	59	618



Time for Reflection



Last week (11th November), school fell silent for two minutes as we remembered that on the eleventh day of the eleventh month that World War One ended back in 1918. At eleven o'clock on a Monday morning the guns fell silent. Every year Remembrance Day reminds us of this moment.

School is not a silent place, there is noise all around us, so the silence was special. The children were absolutely amazing and observed the time in a respectful manner. Reception children had time to reflect in a way that was appropriate for their age.

We know that many of our school community serve in the armed forces so children had the opportunity to talk about that and share their personal experiences.

It was lovely to hear from the children that many of them would be part of a Remembrance Parade last Sunday. Thank you goes to Lizzie for sharing this fabulous photo with us.



"We must respect and remember those who fought hard to fight for their country. They did it to save us all and give the freedom we have now"

April

Very well said April!





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Dates for your diary.....

NOVEMBER

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| Tuesday 23rd November | - Year 5/6 mixed football match at Lilleshall |
| Friday 26th November | - Mufti Day (Christmas food & drink items) |

DECEMBER

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| 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 2022

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