

St Lawrence CE Primary



NEWSLETTER



Friday 11th March 2022

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

Dear Parents,

This week's Newsletter is all about saying 'Thank You' and in the words of Maya Angelou, *'When we give cheerfully and accept gratefully, everyone is truly blessed.'*

The staff at St. Lawrence have been truly overwhelmed by the generosity of pupils and parents over the last few weeks. It is never easy asking for donations especially when we are acutely aware that the cost of living is set to rise. Parents, you have shown such kindness, giving what you can, supporting school events and donations for the Ukraine Crisis Appeal, and for that we are truly grateful.

Ukraine Crisis Appeal

We have had so many kind donations of supplies which will be donated to Shropshire European Organisation C.I.C located in Shrewsbury and be loaded on to lorries in the next few days making their way to London to help those in desperate need. We cannot thank you enough for your support, thoughtfulness and kindness as we know that these supplies will help those with nothing. You can follow [Shropshire European Organisation C.I.C](#) on their Facebook page.



Great Potato Growing Competition

The annual Chetwynd Deer Park Potato Growing Competition has started! St. Lawrence potatoes have arrived today ready to chit in the next few weeks so the competition is well and truly underway! The competition is both friendly and fierce with local Newport schools competing for the coveted top spot. Last year's winners were Lilleshall Primary and St. Lawrence came a respected third place. As this year's Science Week theme is 'Growth' we will be using this competition to teach our children about the process of growing potatoes and finding ways to have a good crop, from farm to fork! If anyone knows anything about growing potatoes we would welcome you to get in touch.

Red Nose Day Friday 18th March 2022

"Red Nose Day is coming. And whatever you do, no matter how small, you can help people live free from poverty, violence and discrimination. This includes funding organisations that are supporting people right now in Ukraine, and those attempting to cross the border. Because you have the power to change lives."



To support this event we are going all out and asking you to have a 'Wacky Hair Day!' Wear mufti, bring in a £1 and let's see who can have the wackiest hairdo! Hair dye will be permitted on this day, as long as it washes out for Monday!



Matchbox Challenge

A big thank you to all those that took part in the half term 'Matchbox Challenge' and all the positive feedback we have had from the children who have been eager to tell us what they placed in their boxes. We have been astounded as to how many items can fit in one small box but somehow you have risen to the challenge. Sophie C (Y4) found a fabulous 56 in her matchbox and is the winner of the most items, well done Sophie! Thanks to your generosity we raised a staggering £1218.15 in total which is just incredible! A very special mention must go to Olivia P (Y4) for raising an incredible £541. This amount is truly amazing, and we thank Olivia and her parents for going above and beyond to find sponsors, collect money and engage with this challenge. Olivia is the winner of the most amount of money raised and also found 55 items. Very well done!



Class 3 Immersion for Writing



This morning Class 3 had a very exciting introduction to their current class book, Alice in Wonderland. They took part in an immersive re-enactment of the first chapter, through mime and with the aid of edible props. They told how Alice fell down the well and encountered some very strange shrinking and growing events with the discovery of a bottle labelled 'Drink Me' and a cake labelled 'Eat Me'. The children completely took on the role of Alice and enjoyed the session immensely. What a wonderful way to be immersed and really inspired by a text!

[British Science Week 2022 - 11th -20th March](#)

The theme for the 2022 British Science Week is 'Growth'!

A fitting theme for what has been a turbulent time for all of us, 'Growth' links with multiple areas across science, technology, engineering and maths. 'Growth' as a theme offers a huge range of topics to delve into as part of your British Science Week 2022 activities. During the course of the week we will be participating in a number of activities celebrating Science week.

Science week at St. Lawrence



GROWTH

Enter the Poster Competition!



GROWTH

Mrs Nash's Science Challenge!

Mrs Nash will be sending a science challenge via SeeSaw for you to complete at home. You will be able to upload this and send in the exciting results!



GROWTH

Making Links and Growing Together!

Ukraine's national flower, the Sunflower, has become a global symbol of solidarity. To honour this, we will be sending each child home with a sunflower seed to grow and nurture. We will be asking for photographic evidence to see who has managed to grow the largest sunflower.

We will also be creating our own Sunflower Garden in the Reflection Space. Any green fingered parents who would like to help out please get in touch!



GROWTH

British Scientists that Changed the World!

Each class will be finding out about a British scientist that has been influential in the development of Science.

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 Mr Al-Asmar has nominated Jacob, Logan, Angelica, Charlie, Ruben, Lizzie, Ella, Jess, Harrison, Olly M and Olly F for taking part in a wonderful training session during Football club this week.

Head Teacher Award

Angelica - for always being a positive role model to others.

Class One

Esmæ - for excellent focus in all areas of learning.

Class Two

Isabella w - for showing more focus in lessons.

Bea - for a great attitude to her learning.

Class Three

Harry (Yr 4) - for working so hard and always being the best he can be.

Jake - for his super work in maths this week.

Class Four

Olly M - for his amazing calculation knowledge and understanding.

Keira - for fantastic all round effort in class.



House point winners

This week the winning house is **St Andrew's** with a staggering **73** 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	52	1307
St Patrick	43	1301
St Andrew	73	1648
St George	57	1454



Achievements beyond the classroom



Ella attended a presentation evening for Wellington swimming club on Friday evening.

She received medals for a competition she took part in in Wolverhampton where she was placed:

3rd freestyle

1st breaststroke

3rd backstroke

1st butterfly

Ella has also just found out that she has been picked to be part of the Diddy squad where she will compete for Wellington swimming club at different competitions in the West Midlands.

Ella also has two more competitions coming up at the end of March and beginning of April so we wish her luck.

Ella trains three nights a week at Wellington and we are so proud of her dedication and drive to want to do better.

April was really chuffed with herself after reaching another milestone achievement since starting her horse riding journey where she managed to do a little jump!



Well done to both Ella and April





Cash For Schools 2022



WIN A SHARE OF £12,000!

Thousands of pounds up for grabs in our
Cash for Schools competition.

All schools who enter will be showcased in a special Cash for Schools supplement that will appear in the **Shropshire Star on Thursday, March 3, 2022**, which will signal the start of the token collect campaign.

All parents, children and teachers have to do is collect as many tokens as possible that will appear every day in the Shropshire Star from **Thursday, March 3, 2022 to Saturday, April 2, 2022.**

£12,000 prize pot breakdown

The best bit is that every school has an equal chance of winning. The prizes will be awarded based on the schools that have collected the most tokens per pupil from Reception to Year 6 – so smaller schools have the same chance as larger ones.

For example, a small school with 50 pupils that collects 400 tokens would win when compared to a bigger school with 400 pupils that collects 800 tokens.

Five schools with the most tokens collected per pupil will have the chance to walk away with a cash prize and win a share of the £12,000 prize pot.

The first placed school with the most tokens collected per pupil will scoop a whopping **£5,000**, followed by **£3,000** for second, **£2,000** for third and then two **£1,000** awards, which will be presented to the fourth and fifth place schools



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we have entered Cash for Schools
and collect as many tokens from the
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