

# St Lawrence CE Primary



## NEWSLETTER



Friday 16th September 2022

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

Dear Parents,

Children have settled very well in to their classes and it has been wonderful to see them engaged and focused on their new themes. We are aiming to enrich the curriculum offer by promoting school trips and visitors in to school each term linked to the theme being taught. School visits or visitors are not only to reinforce what has been in class but expand knowledge and bring subjects to life which support children's understanding and depth of knowledge. We look forward to sharing with you all the exciting trips that the children have been involved with. As with all things school related, trips need sufficient adult supervision to meet Safeguarding requirements. If you think you would be able to accompany classes with trips please can you phone the school office and they will advise you of upcoming dates.

### School Extra-Curricular Activities

Our after school sports clubs have started this week and it was great to see our Y1 to Y3 football/rugby club and netball club well attended. There are still a number of spaces in other clubs so if your child would like to participate please ring the office to secure a place.

Here is a reminder of the clubs currently on offer.

DAY	YEAR	CLUB
Monday	Years 1—3	Dodgeball/Basketball
Tuesday	Years 4—6	Dodgeball/Basketball
Wednesday	Key stage 2	Football/Netball
Thursday	Years 1—3	Football/Tag rugby

### Attendance and Punctuality



As you will have read in last week's newsletter we are monitoring attendance and punctuality this year, as like many schools, we have noticed a decrease in school attendance in the post pandemic period. Please can we politely remind you that our gates open at 8.45 and close at 8.55am, this allows our pupils a five minute window to walk to class, organise their belongings, ready for a prompt registration at 9am. It is essential that children arrive whilst the school gate is open so they can be settled in class by their teacher. We find that those arriving after 8.55am and having to enter through the main entrance have missed important information for the day, alongside its disruption to classes. From Tuesday 20th September 2022 any child arriving after the close of the gate will be marked as late. In order to effectively monitor this we will be placing a late signing in register in the main school reception area for parents to sign. We do understand that on the odd occasion that lateness is unavoidable. However, we need to be considering the frequency for some of our families, and the impact this has on children's start to the day.

If you are experiencing difficulties getting your child in to school due to work commitments we do offer a breakfast club from 7.45am that your child can attend. Please contact the school office and they will provide you with all the information you will need.

We do appreciate your support and we know that you will work in partnership with school.

## Helping Hands and Acts of Kindness

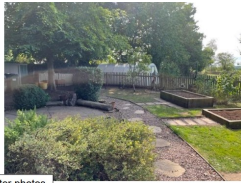
Over the Summer we were extremely fortunate to have a group of volunteers (from Persimmon Homes) to carry out some maintenance work around the school grounds. The ethos of the company is to give back to the community, St. Lawrence CE Primary were one of their chosen projects, after we drafted a letter asking for their help.



Poly Tunnel Jet Washed



We were beyond grateful for the work that the volunteers carried out for us. It has made a huge difference to the grounds and our outdoor area looks much improved. This initiative about giving back to the community is such a privilege and one we have been most grateful to receive.



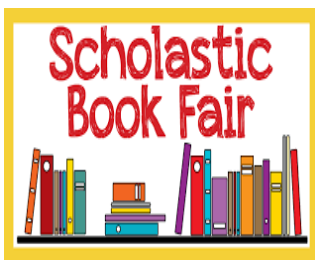
Before and after photos



Shed weeded and painted



*We would also like to place on record our thanks to the Perry family (Emily and Grace) for making the front of school look so beautiful by planting flowers in the baskets and planters. These huge acts of kindness are testament of the ethos we promote for our children.*



### BOOK FAIR

We will be holding a Book Fair from Friday 14th to Wednesday 19th October in school.

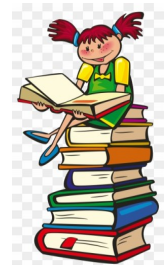
We will be inviting parents into the school hall with their child to buy books at the end of the day when children are collected. To ensure that there isn't too many people in one place we have allocated a day for each class.

**Friday 14th October - Class 4**

**Monday 17th October - Class 3**

**Tuesday 18th October - Class 2**

**Wednesday 19th October - Class 1**



If you are unable to come in with your child to see the books you can send your child in with some money in a named envelope on Wednesday 19th October where teachers will have set sessions where they will organise the purchase of books.

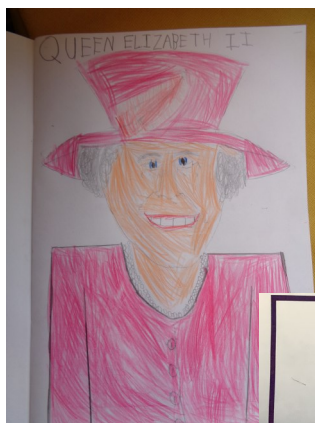
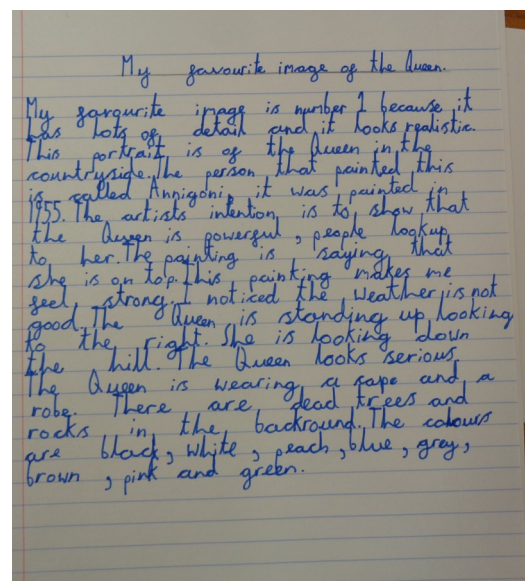
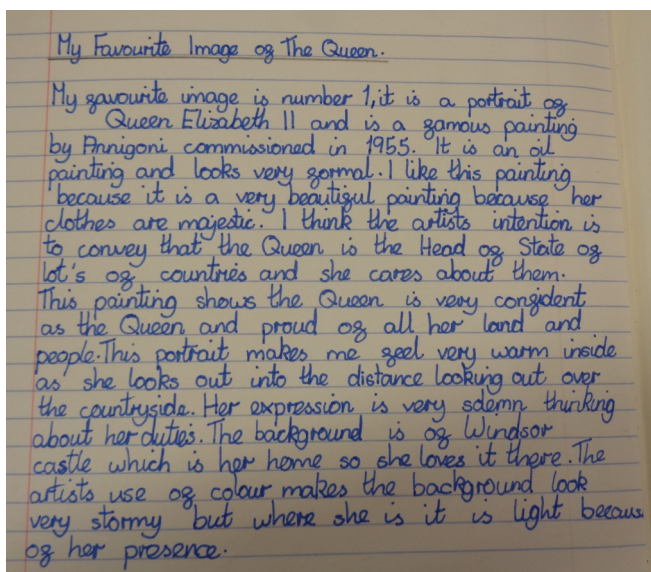
The Book Fair is organised by Travelling books bringing a selection of the very best books to inspire and entertain young readers. Any books purchased will earn free resources and books for school.

## Bank Holiday on Monday 19th September.

Just a little reminder that Monday 19 September, the date of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's State Funeral, will be a national bank holiday so school will be closed and reopen on Tuesday 20th September.

- Monday 19 September will be a bank holiday to coincide with Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II's State Funeral
- bank holiday to mark the last day of the period of national mourning

This week children have been reflecting on the remarkable life her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II and the enormous contributions she has made to the country and to the commonwealth.

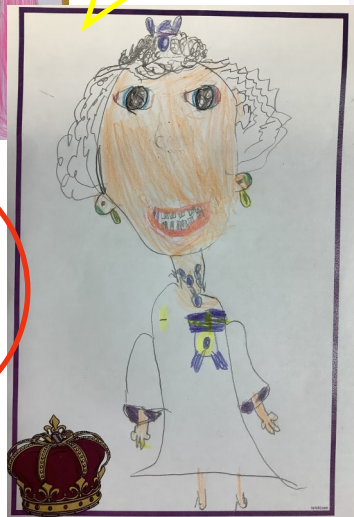


The Queen was a kind lady because she ruled the Kingdom with all her heart. Darci



The Queen was an important part of the royal family and she will be missed. Bea

The Queen was a special lady she wore a really pretty crown! Albie



# 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 **Grace P** for always being a great role model to her friends.

## *Class One*

Arthur—for working so hard in phonics and book talk.

## *Class Two*

Hudson—for his wonderful maths work.

Ewuradwoa—for always being ready to learn.

## *Class Three*

Reuben - for showing a mature attitude towards tasks this term.

Soraya - for her excellent work in class and always showing the St Lawrence Way.

## *Class Four*

April—for her super writing about Queen Elizabeth II .

Oscar—for his super writing about Queen Elizabeth II.



# Dates for your Diary

## OCTOBER

<b>Monday 3rd</b>	Year 5/6 After school football competition at Telford College.
<b>Wednesday 5th</b>	Class 2 trip - Blue Planet Chester
<b>Friday 15th</b>	3.05pm - Book fair - Class 4
<b>Monday 17th</b>	3.05pm - Book Fair - Class 3
<b>Tuesday 18th</b>	3.05pm - Book Fair - Class 2
<b>Wednesday 19th</b>	3.05pm - Book Fair - Class 1
<b>Thursday 20th</b>	2.15pm - Harvest Festival @ St Lawrence Church (Details to follow).
<b>Friday 21st</b>	Last day of term
<b>Monday 31st</b>	Back to school

## NOVEMBER

<b>Tuesday 29th</b>	Nasal flu vaccinations (Details to follow)
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## DECEMBER

<b>Wednesday 7th</b>	Classes 3 & 4 Theatre Severn (Details to follow)
<b>Thursday 8th</b>	Classes 1 & 2 Oakengates Theatre (Details to follow)
<b>Tuesday 13th</b>	1.30pm Christmas concert to parents at St Lawrence Church (details to Follow)
<b>Friday 16th</b>	Last day of term

## JANUARY

<b>Monday 2nd</b>	Bank holiday
<b>Tuesday 3rd</b>	PD Day - school closed
<b>Wednesday 4th</b>	Back to school



# St Lawrence C.E. Primary School

## Terms and Holidays 2022/2023

### Autumn Term 2022

PD Day's	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> / Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September
Term begins	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> September
Half Term	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October to Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October
Term ends	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December

### Spring Term 2023

Term begins	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January
Half Term	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> February
Term ends	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March

### Summer Term 2023

Term begins	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April
May Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May
Half Term	Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May to Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June
Term ends	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July

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Staff PD Days:	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> September 2022
	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023
	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> July 2023
	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> July 2023