

St Lawrence CE Primary



NEWSLETTER



Friday 4th November 2022

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

Dear Parents,

We hope that you all had a lovely half term break and managed to spend some quality time together. The children have come back settled and eager to learn about their new topics. We all know how busy this half term is with the build up to Christmas and we hope that you will be able to join us for the some of the events we have planned towards the end of the term. Just so that you have plenty of notice we would like to confirm that our Christmas Presentation will be at St. Lawrence Church on Thursday 13th December at 1.30pm for years 1 to 6. Class 1 (Reception) children will be performing their own Nativity separately to the rest of the school this year and the date planned for this is Friday 9th December at 2.15pm. We hope that you will be able to join us for these events as they are always so magical.



We are planning some **'Learning Together'** workshops for parents over the course of the year which we hope will be of benefit in helping you support your child at home. The purpose of these workshops will be for you to understand the pedagogical approach and ways in which school teaches aspects of the curriculum. As phonics and early reading starts the learning journey and reading is an essential skill we would like to invite Class 1 and Class 2 parents to the first 'Learning Phonics Together' session which has been planned for Thursday 17th November at 9am. We will be sending a separate Parentmail with further information and for you to confirm attendance so we are able to gauge numbers.

This week we have welcomed back Mrs Nash to her substantive Executive Head Post for the St. Lawrence and Tibberton CE Federation. I know staff, pupils and governors have been really pleased to have her back after a period of absence and looking forward to sharing with her all the wonderful things that have been taking place in school. Please see below a note from Mrs Nash who is very happy to be back with us all.

Message from Mrs Nash

It has been a real joy to be back in school this week. Everyone has made me so welcome, and I am enjoying the opportunity to see the children's learning and talk to them about what they are doing. As the weeks go on and my time in school increases, I will also be looking forward to the odd game of football or a dance on the playground, as well as spending more time in class and on school trips.

Thank you for the understanding and support you have shown during my periods of absence; I know the staff have all been working hard and that Mrs Moore and Mr Battrick as Interim Heads have done a sterling job in keeping everything moving forward. I am looking forward to seeing many of you at Christmas nativities and at other school events that will be taking place- look out for the dates on the newsletters and on the school websites too.

With best wishes for a safe and peaceful weekend,

Mrs Nash.

Spotlight on Learning



Here are some of the things that have been happening in school this week and the wonderful learning taking place.

Class 4 Visit to Millichope Estate

Yesterday, Class 4 visited the Millichope Estate in Craven Arms as part of our new geography topic based on Shackleton. The geography based Autumn 2 topic involves learning about grid references, reading maps and keys, and understanding compass directions and yesterday morning the children took part in a fabulous fieldwork activity where they had to collect tokens from key points around the estate by following instructions and reading complicated maps. Mrs Standish, Mrs Leon and Mr Matthews were very impressed with the children's resilience and geographical skills shown throughout the morning. During the afternoon, the children were able to explore the wonderful forest school activities on offer including roasting chestnuts on the fire, wading through a stream, and exploring the outside adventure area (where the children got suitably muddy!) A fabulous day was had by all with lots of new geographical learning place which will now be consolidated back in the classroom. Well done Class 4.



Class 1 Oral Hygiene Workshop

Class 1 have had an oral dental hygiene workshop this week where they have been taught about the importance of looking after teeth and gums and good brushing techniques.

'When your toothbrushes are old you need to buy a new one.' Grace

'If you don't brush your teeth they will fall out'. Ella

'We need teeth for talking.' Freddie P

How did the children respond?





FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

BBC Children in Need's vision is that all children and young people in the UK have a safe, happy and secure childhood and the chance to fulfil their potential.

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!



To start our fundraising we have Pudsey and Blush ECO pin badges, Pudsey pin badges and bracelets for sale at £1.00 each from the school office from **Thursday 20th October**





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 Harlow for showing a love of learning each and every day. Well done Harlow!

Class Awards

Class One

Freddie Richards—working so hard with his phonics and reading.

Class Two

Rosa —Good contributions in PSHE lessons this week.

William - for completing an excellent fact file in Science.

Class Three

Max Meredith—Super work in English lessons this week.

Owain Withycombe— Working really hard on handwriting this week.

Class Four

Year 5 and 6—For displaying fantastic practical skills in DT, Science and Geography fieldwork all week.

House point winners

This week the winning house is **St Andrew's** with a staggering **411** points.

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

HOUSE NAME	POINTS THIS WEEK	POINTS IN TOTAL
St David	28	285
St Patrick	38	273
St Andrew	40	411
St George	27	280

Attendance Award



Class 1 children have won this week's Attendance Trophy with an attendance figure of 97% .