

St Lawrence CE Primary

NEWSLETTER

Friday 2nd December 2022



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

Dear Parents,

In what has been an emotional week for the school community, it has been reassuring to spend time with the children and to see the fun they are having in school.

At St Lawrence, I was very impressed by the sports leaders getting everyone moving together at the end of lunchtime, and also managing to settle everyone down ready for their afternoon lessons- what wonderful role models we have. I have also been fortunate to spend time in Classes 2, 3 and 4 watching maths lessons, looking at books, and talking to the pupils. Your children are so articulate, and it is a joy to hear how proudly they talk about their school and how happy and safe they feel at school. As I write, I am also eagerly awaiting the result of the football final that we are taking part in on Friday afternoon!

Tibberton has had external visitors again this week who again have commented on the wonderful behaviour of our pupils. I was also impressed with some blogs that the Year 4 children had created and was lucky enough to have some of the children come and share theirs with me on Monday. Between that and being shown how fast the children can run at lunchtime, it has been another busy week.

I wish you all a happy weekend, whether you are decorating your Christmas tree, enjoying the great outdoors, or just staying warm at home. Take care.

Mrs Nash, Executive Head Teacher

In School News



We have seen the arrival of December this week so the countdown to Christmas is well and truly underway! The decorations have all been dusted down and making appearances around school to help us all get in to the Christmas spirit! Staff have been like Santa's elves helping out, whether it be getting things down from the loft, collecting Christmas trees or sorting costumes for the school performances. As usual, the St. Lawrence Way is very much evident in the ethos of school and the team effort. It really is a very special place to be!

This week has been tinged with sadness with the sad loss of our friend and governor Pat Jones. We all have many fond memories of her and she will be forever in our hearts. We know how much she loved Christmastime in school so we continue with the festivities in her honour.

On behalf of the PTFA and staff, we would very much like to thank you all for your kind donations last week for Mufti Day. We were inundated with lovely food gifts for our raffle hampers and I know the lucky winners will not be disappointed.



Flu Immunisations

This week children in school were given the nasal flu spray and they were all so very sensible when it was administered. The nurses administering the vaccine were so very impressed with the children here at St. Lawrence. If your child was absent on Tuesday and you would still like your child to receive the vaccine, please contact Shropshire Community Health directly to make arrangements to attend a community clinic. You can contact via email: shropcom.immunisationteam@nhs.net or call 01743 730028.



Christmas PTFA Film Night - Friday 9th December 2022

Today in school children have been voting for the film that they would like to watch for movie night. Children in classes had the opportunity to three trailers and vote for their favourite. Our pupils really enjoyed this opportunity and we were also teaching the children about the British value of democracy.

Tickets are on sale at the school office at a cost of £3 which includes a drink and snack.



KS1 film Choice



KS2 film Choice



Note about Messy Church

It is with regret that Messy Church planned for Saturday 3rd December in St. Peter's Church, Edmond has had to be cancelled.

Online Safety Meeting

In collaboration with Tibberton CE Primary School we are pleased to say that we have secured the services of Paul Gerrie from Amazing ICT to host this online session on the evening of Wednesday 7th December at 6pm.

Paul is a former teacher and has established a reputation in the industry for being knowledgeable and approachable. He has also led workshops at both schools for pupils.

As well as covering the latest in the use of devices and curriculum content, there will also be an opportunity to ask questions and access to links for further advice.

We will be sending out a Teams link for the briefing via Parentmail and seesaw closer to the date, but your attendance is greatly encouraged.



Online Safety Parent Talk

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7TH,
6PM, ONLINE**

**Educating and managing online safety with
Paul Gerrie of AmazingICT**

1. Advice and guidance
2. Managing devices
3. Educating our children
4. Parent resources
5. Seesaw Overview



School Council News

School Council Positive Playtimes

School Council have been meeting to discuss a new initiative they would like to introduce called 'Positive Playtimes' which will create lunchtimes and playtimes where children play happily and harmoniously together involved in a number of activities. School Council have been asking pupils what equipment they would like outside to improve their playtime experience.



Positive Playtimes Intent:

- Have lunchtime superhero supervisors who engage and play games with pupils.
- Play a variety of new and traditional playground games.
- Establish or re-energise the Playground Activity Leaders.
- Create Zoned Activity Areas with new equipment.
- Develop effective positive behaviour management systems.
- Improve Wet Play.
- Create calm dining halls where talk is at the heart.
- Develop a positive and effective lunchtime and playtime policy.



Fundraising



In order for us to purchase new equipment for the children we need to raise the much needed funds. Working with the PTFA we will be holding our Christmas Raffle which will include the hampers and a Shrewsbury Town Football shirt signed by the players, kindly donated by Mr Bennett (Albie and Esmee's Dad). We are absolutely delighted with the very generous prizes and we hope to raise as much money as possible for our children. We will start selling raffle tickets from the school office on Monday 5th December. These tickets will be sold for £2 a ticket or £8 a strip.

If you are able to and would like to make a donation towards the raffle please speak to Mrs Care in the school office. Many thanks.

Achievements beyond the Classroom



Over the last couple of weeks, Eliza, Sophie and Darci have been busy picking up awards. At their dance presentation, all three girls were awarded medals and certificates for their hard work. Sophie also received an award for her achievement in ballet and Eliza for her achievement in acrobatics.

Eliza and Sophie also represented their dance school at a dance festival last weekend, where they were awarded first place for both of their group routines.

All three are now practising hard for their next dance exams in a couple of weeks time! Very well done to all three of the girls, we are very proud of your achievements.



Harrison was so proud and pleased to share with us that he achieved his 5 metre swim. Well done Harrison, that beaming smile says it all!



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 Angelica for supporting the younger children in school during 'Little Oaks' at playtimes and lunchtimes.



Teacher Awards this week.

Class One **Sofia** —Trying so hard to listen and focus to the learning.

Class Two **Jack** —Great contributions in class discussions

Drew—Working really hard all week



Class Three **Soraya** - Always being the best she can be!

Finn—Always working hard and following the St. Lawrence Way.

Class Four **Amelia** - For Fantastic work in English writing about Shackleton's journey.

Ruben - His brilliant work in English writing about Shackleton's journey.

House point winners

This week the winning house is **St Andrew's** with a staggering **565** 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	46	394
St Patrick	40	406
St Andrew	46	565
St George	36	444



Attendance Award

Class 4 children have won this week's Attendance Trophy with an attendance figure of 97.51% and Class 2 a close second with 97.0%

Very well done!

