

St Lawrence CE Primary



NEWSLETTER



Friday 6th January 2023

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

Dear Parents,

Welcome back and happy new year. I hope that you enjoyed the Christmas holidays and were able to celebrate in a way that was special for you.

This time of year can be difficult for people, so if your circumstances have changed or you feel you may need some support, please come and speak to us as we're always happy to help where we can.

The children made a super return to school on Wednesday, and it was a pleasure to see them in worship times at both schools. The Class 1 children from both St Lawrence and Tibberton impressed me with their ability to get back into the school habit; at St Lawrence they joined our whole school worship on Wednesday and sat listening very well, and at Tibberton they were engaged in creative dance with Mrs Leaver, moving round the hall making whooshes and chopping carrots! The children leave me feeling inspired and motivated for the new year ahead of us, and I am looking forward to being able to share more of their successes with you.

Mrs Nash, Executive Head Teacher

In School News

Staff at St. Lawrence would like to wish all our children and families a Happy New Year and hope that this year brings much love, joy, health and happiness. We would like to give a huge thanks to all the children and parents for all the gifts, cards and Christmas wishes that were sent at the end of term. They were so gratefully received and we were overwhelmed with people's kindness and generosity.



This week, we must apologise for the confusion with the opening time of the gate. Just to confirm the gate will open at 8.45am and close at 8.55am, ready for a 9am prompt registration. The end of day time has changed to a 3.15pm finish instead of 3.05pm. This increase is in line with the government statutory guidance, this comes in to force September 2023 to ensure pupils meet the recommended teaching hours across the week.

Teachers have been busy planning the new themes for this half term and the curriculum maps will be sent out to parents shortly. See below a quick overview of what children will be learning over the coming weeks. As always, we are planning curriculum enrichment to make the topics come to life!

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
Theme Title	Is there anyone out there?	What do we know about the Wrekin?	Why did the Ancient Egyptians build pyramids?	Were the Vikings really vicious?
Curriculum Driver	Space themed linked to UW - Understanding the World.	Geography - Local landmarks and compass directions.	History - the achievements of the earliest civilizations	History - the Viking and Anglo-Saxon struggle for the Kingdom of England



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 **Ivy** in Reception for showing such a sensible and mature attitude towards a playtime incident. Her answer was so articulate and she was able to deliver the message to other classes in school.

Class Awards

Class One

Ella - working so hard and trying her very best.

Class Two

Drew - for his great handwriting work.

Aman - for his increased independence.

Class Three

Ivy-Rose - working so hard in Topic this week.

Alfie - having a super start to 2023.

Class Four

Olivia P: Excellent Science work

April: Excellent Science work

House point winners

This week the winning house is **St George's** with a staggering **19** points.

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

HOUSE NAME	POINTS THIS WEEK	POINTS IN TOTAL
St David	7	126
St Patrick	6	143
St Andrew	14	197
St George	19	162

Attendance Award

What a fantastic start to the term.

100% for the whole school.

Well done!





Dates for your Diary

JANUARY	
Monday 2nd	Bank holiday
Tuesday 3rd	PD Day - school closed
Wednesday 4th	Back to school
Wednesday 11th	Class 3 swimming starts for 10 weeks
Thursday 12th	York visit Zoom meeting for Year 5/6 parents - 9.30am
FEBRUARY	
Monday 6– Tuesday 7th	Year 5/6 - Residential York visit
Friday 17th	Last Day of Term
Monday 27th	Back to school

