

#### Dear Parents.

We have reached the half-way point of the school year, and as I sit typing it certainly feels like spring is here. I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the staff, pupils and parents who have worked so hard over the last term and a half. At both schools, it is clear to see how much progress has been made and how much enjoyment the children have for learning. I have loved spending time in the classes and teaching some elements of the curriculum as well-highlights have been art at St Lawrence and English at Tibberton.

I hope that you are all able to rest over half term and have some fun family times. Make sure you keep reading or discussing books with your children, as words are a window to the world. If you are out and about exploring, please share your experiences with us via Seesaw if you would like to. We will be continuing to focus on getting our attendance figures up, so please help us by sending your children into school whenever possible. If you have concerns regarding attendance, feel free to get in touch via the school office and we will arrange a meeting.

Wishing you a safe, happy and enjoyable half term,

Mrs Nash.

#### In School News



**World Book Day** 

We have come to the end of another busy half term and it is hard to believe that we are half way through the Spring term already. We are so very proud of what the children have achieved and the progress that they continue to make. We would like to thank you for all the support at home and we have been amazed by the standard of homework projects this half term. It has been lovely seeing the children so animated and excited sharing their learning with others.



Just a reminder that on the first Thursday (2nd March) after half term it is World Book Day 2023. This year, we are have chosen to go with the tagline 'Dress to Express' so it is quite open ended and inclusive for all. Children may like to dress up as favourite character, sports personality, rock star or simply wear their own favourite clothes. We have carefully selected some Diversity books to share with the children and we know that they will spark discussion and support children's understanding of the diverse, ever changing world in which we live.

Finally, as a school with a small team of staff we are seeking parents who may have hidden talents, interests or specific specialism that may be able to offer help with extra curricular activities. We are seeking any netball enthusiasts that may be able to support Mrs Barker with her club in the coming weeks and months. If you could spare the time and have a genuine interest please can you contact the school office to arrange a chat with Mrs Moore.

Wishing all our children and families a happy half term.

Mrs Moore

## Class 2



To finish off our terrific half term of learning about local landmarks in Class 2, we visited and walked up the Ercall on Thursday. The children had a wonderful time and spoke about their knowledge of the local landmarks, Telford and directional language throughout.















### Wolverhampton Art Gallery





This week, class 3 visited the Wolverhampton Art Gallery to participate in workshops linking to their current topic—The Ancient Egyptians.

The children showed their knowledge and could identify various artefacts, whilst learning more facts from the museum teachers. First, we were shown Ancient Egyptian artefacts and were allowed to hold them carefully whilst using gloves. Children behaved respectfully and handled the objects with care.

They were then asked to design an Egyptian Scarab Beetle structure which they made later, using clay. The children listened and followed the instructions carefully to create a spectacular sculpture. Each child reflected the St Lawrence Way throughout our visit and were commended on their behaviour by our guides.







## 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 **Aman** for stepping out of his comfort zone and being brave.

#### Class One

Freddie P - for really positive attitude to his learning.

#### Class Two

Lucas - for his wonderful writing this week.

Albie - for being the best he can be all week.

#### **Class Three**

All of Class 3—for their excellent Egyptian projects and for reflecting the St Lawrence Way on the trip.

#### **Class Four**

Amelia: giving 100% to her work

Angelica: great effort in her spellings

#### **House point winners**

This week the winning house is **St George's** with a staggering **94** 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   | 57               | 503             |
| St Patrick | 82               | 535             |
| St Andrew  | 55               | 581             |
| St George  | 94               | 556             |

#### ATTENDANCE AWARD



Class 4 and Class 2 children have won this week's Attendance Trophy with both classes having an attendance figure of 97.78%

Very well done!



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#### Cash For Schools 2023

#### 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 Wednesday, March 1, 2023.** 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 1st March 2023 to 25th March 2023.

#### £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 whooping £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.



Let your family and neighbours know we have entered Cash for Schools and collect as many tokens as you can.

Thank you for your support