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St Lawrence Weekly

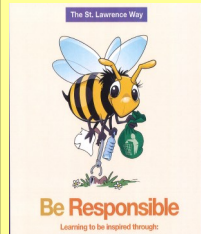
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Headteacher's Spotlight

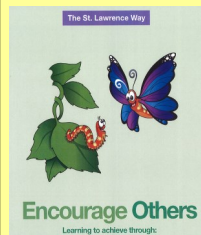
Another very busy autumn term comes to an end! I do hope all parents/carers were able to join us for one of our lovely Christmas events: the Friends' Xmas Fair; KS2 Service at St Lawrence's; EYFS and KS1 Nativity; KS2 Christmas carols and songs. All the performances have received much praise from the audiences! We've also had Father Christmas arrive by helicopter, 'Xmas Dinner and Jumper Day' and today's pantomime! It really has been very Christmassy and a lot of fun at St Lawrence's over the last 2 weeks.

We say farewell today to Mrs Clilverd, who is leaving us to enjoy more time travelling. We will miss her hugely and I want to thank her for all that she has done at St Lawrence's. Fortunately, her role as Youth Worker at the Church continues, so we will still be meeting with her. Another of our teaching assistants, Mrs Smart, has made the decision to leave her post at the end of term, so will not be with us in January - we are grateful for her work in the SEND Hub and wish her well.

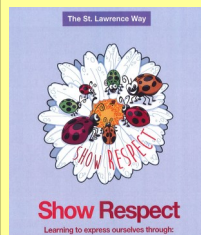
With two more members of staff leaving we have arrived at the point where we can afford to pay for everything and everyone for the foreseeable future. No more cuts at St Lawrence's! Fundraising for our Performing Arts and Music is going really well and we now have over £3500 in the account - thank you for all donations made at the recent Christmas events.



Thank you to all parents/carers, members of staff, volunteers and governors, (especially Emily Russell who has been busier than ever in 2023), for your efforts this term - by working together we really do create so many wonderful learning opportunities and experiences for the children. I hope you have a restful Christmas.



We will not be responding to any emails sent to us over the Christmas holiday period.



If parents /carers have any safeguarding worries over the holiday period or are concerned about the safety of anyone, then the following phone numbers should be used:

First Point of Contact: 0345 678921
 (Childrens Services)
 Police 101/999



Have a very happy Christmas and a wonderful New Year.

Alan Brannen
 Headteacher
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Christmas at St Lawrence



Baskets Wanted!

Our EYFS/KS1 Library need some baskets for books.

If you have any baskets to donate (all sizes would be appreciated) please could you give them to Miss Neal or drop them off at the school office.

Thank you for your help!



Dates for your diary:

25th December-5th Jan '24	Christmas holiday period
5th January 2024	PD Day - School closed to children
8th January 2024	PD Day - School closed to children (except Y6 pupil going to Arthog)
8th January-12th January	Y6 Arthog residential
1st February - 3.30pm	Y5 Pioneer Visit - Parent information event
12th - 16th February	Half-term holiday
21st - 23rd February	Y5 Pioneer Centre residential
25th March - 5th April	Easter holidays

CHURCH STRETTON JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB
TUESDAYS 4.00PM - 5.30PM
@ RUSSELLS MEADOW PAVILLION

PROGRAMME
SPRING TERM 2024

School Years 6 & 7

9th January - Human Bingo, Encaustic Art, Logo Quiz, Posh Hot Chocolate & Cookie making, Word Search & Colouring

16th January - Cup Games, Doodle Art, Omelette Making, Bingo, Word Search & Colouring

23rd January - Dice & Candy Game, String Crafts, Toastie Making, Riddles Quiz, Word Search & Colouring

30th January - Tea Towel Game, Clay Crafts, Group Games, Cake & A Cuppa, Word Search & Colouring

6th February - Chinese New Year crafts, Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament, Make your own Pancake Rolls, Word Search & Colouring

ENTRY £1.00 PER WEEK

Scan this QR code to complete our membership & consent form

For more info please contact Becca Lewis on 07741 885017 or ema becca@sya.org.uk

CHRISTMAS ACTIVITY CAMP
 St Lawrence Primary School
 SY6 6EX

9am-3pm
 All children aged 6-11 welcome

Fun, Christmas activities including crafts, team games, free play and sports.

contact@passmastercoaching.co.uk

2nd, 3rd and 4th January 2024
 Children need suitable clothing for inside and outside activities. Children to bring a packed lunch and refillable drinks bottle.

BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL
 To book, go to:
 passmastercoaching.schoolipal.co.uk

NEW SIBLING DISCOUNT
 2 siblings - 10% discount
 3 siblings - 20% discount
 Use your tax-free child care vouchers and Sodexo benefits. T&Cs

JUST £18 a day

OFSTED REGISTERED

HAF Department for Education Shropshire Council

Friends' News ...

Thanks to everyone who came to Xmas fair and gave donations - we raised £800!

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas!

Please think of us if you have any unwanted pressies and Christmas jumpers that no longer fit.

The Friends



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Thank you for all your help during 2023, our annual Christmas Fair raised an astounding £800 and our Elf has now settled in with his new family!

Keep us in mind for those unwanted Christmas Presents and festive jumpers!

We wish you a lovely break and a Merry Christmas

SLAWRENCE Primary School & Nursery FRIENDS

Prayer for the week

Dear God,

Thank you for Christmas and for the opportunity to think about Jesus' birth.

Thank you for all the different ways in which we can send Christmas messages to one another.

Thank you for all the different ways in which we can go on a journey.

When we have visitors in our homes during Christmas, help us to make them feel welcome.

Thank you for the presents that we will receive, and for the ones that we will give to our family and friends.

Thank you for the present of your son, Jesus. We pray that this Christmas, we can take time to remember why we celebrate Christmas.

Amen.

Shrewsbury Theatre Singers

SING IN OUR CHOIR
WE ARE WAITING FOR YOU!

We meet in Bayston Hill on **TUESDAYS in term time**
 From 6pm to 7:30pm

We invite anyone who enjoys singing to come and try us out! Open to anyone aged 8+ (children and adults).

FREE PLACES AVAILABLE
 Email us for more info:
 shrewsburytheatresingers@gmail.com

No musical knowledge or previous experience needed, just a desire to learn, sing and have fun!