

St Lawrence Weekly

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Headteacher's Spotlight

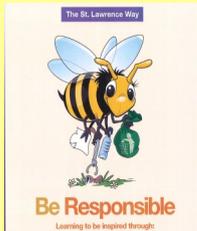
Today is National Puzzle Day (apparently) so if you haven't got into Wordle why not try it out. Lots of pupils and members of staff are playing it and it only takes 5 minutes a day.

In December our KS2 pupils were tested on all their times tables up to 12 x 12. We will be testing the children again on Wednesday 16th February and there'll be awards for Y3s and Y4s that know them all; for the speediest in Y5 and Y6 and for the most improved performers in KS2. It is important to remember that recalling times tables facts can be more about memory rather than calculation skills. The DfE expectation is that all Y4s should know all their times tables facts and they are due to be tested at the end of this year.

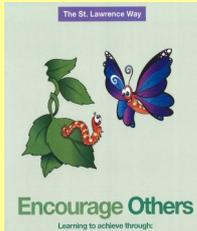
Did you know that Stretton Co-op is recycling all food bags (crisp bags, bread bags etc.) as long as they are clean? Please get involved and stop these items ending up in landfill.

Every class has now got a plant to care for - a 'Schlumbergera' or 'Christmas Cactus' from John Thomas in town. It's a bit of a fun competition to see which one grows the biggest and best of all.

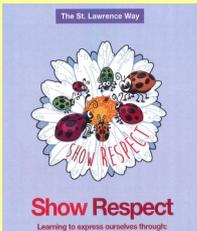
Well done to Arthur Wallis, Toby Russell, Maeve Prosser and Holly Myatt for their biographies of Martin Luther King, J.K. Rowling, Mahatma Gandhi and Mother Teresa. We still need biographies of Charles Darwin, Anne Frank, Stephen Hawking, Greta Thunberg, Albert Einstein and David Attenborough, so send them in please.



Be Responsible
Learning to be inspired through:



Encourage Others
Learning to achieve through:



Show Respect
Learning to express ourselves through:



Try Our Best
Learning to be confident through:

Ella Forsyth Willow Class is 9 tomorrow and rather than spending the day celebrating, she will be walking the Ragleth, Caradoc and Lawley to raise money for Motor Neurone disease. The family have a very close friend who is suffering from this disease and Ella decided that she'd like to help. If anyone would like to pledge a donation towards Ella's fundraising, please drop it into the school office. We wish Ella all the best for her walk tomorrow and hope the weather continues to be kind!



Katie Barker has built a Squirrel feeder for our Forest School area - it's a lovely design and works like a mini picnic table. More bird feeders and boxes will be put up around school as part of our Eco-School drive.

Remember it's Big Garden Birdwatch Weekend!

Alan Brannen

Friends' News ...



Our second hand uniform shop will be open Monday-Thursday next week at pick up time. Plenty of opportunity for you to grab some cheap uniform, we will also be able to accept donations during this time.

We had a successful meeting this week, lots to look forward to this year! If anyone would like to get involved in organising events, volunteering, or just sharing ideas and opinions we would love to hear from you, friends.stlawrence@outlook.com or even come along to our next meeting!

We are in the process of sorting another Bags2school collection, keep an eye on the newsletter for a confirmed date. Think of us when you are having a sort out! We are also on the lookout for donations for prizes, any unwanted gifts send them our way.

Thank you.

Best wishes,

The Friends' Team

Governor News

Further to the letter sent out with last week's newsletter, I am delighted to announce that Mr Steve Redmond has just been appointed as our new Parent Governor. We received no other nominations and so a ballot was not necessary.

We welcome Steve to the governing body!

Breakfast Club

We have been asked by Breakfast Club staff to remind parents that children who arrive before 8.30am will be booked down as attending Breakfast Club and not 8:30 Club. If you would like your child to attend 8:30 club, please ensure they do not arrive before this time.

Thank you

Dates for your diary:

31st January 1.30 - 3pm	KS2 Inclusion Festival
2nd February - 4th February 2022	Y5 to Pioneer Centre - 2 night residential
18th February 2022	PD Day - School closed to children
21st February - 25th February	Half-term holidays
28th February 2022 - 4th March	Y6 Arthog
9th March	Reception & Y6 Height and weight check
11th April - 22nd April	Easter holiday
25th April	PD Day - School closed to children

Oyez! Oyez! Pantomime Returns

All Stretton Amateur Dramatics Society
proudly presents

Aladdin

Join us for a magical night of adventure

All Stretton Village Hall
7.30pm 24/25/26 February 2022
2pm on Saturday 26th February

Tickets: Sandford Hardware or Alison Hartshorne: 723060
www.ticketsource.co.uk
Adults £7 Children £4

Tommy's Weight Loss Challenge 2022

Tommy has already lost 2 1/2 stone!



1 year to lose "10" Stone
Starting the 3rd January 2022
To raise money for two local charities

Pick up a sponsor form or Donate via Just Giving

Little Rascals Foundation
Registered Charity No. 1166955

Church Stretton Rotary Supporting the community
Registered Charity No. 1028512

DONATE NOW WITH **JustGiving**



Instagram @tommysweightlosschallenge2022
Facebook Tommy's Weight Loss Challenge 2022

Learning at the Library

a series of talks by Les Miles des Marches Shrewsbury Levy

Medieval medicine and the barber surgeon - Mike Reynolds
Monday 21st February

Medieval archers and the Battle of Shrewsbury - Martin Latham
Tuesday 22nd February

Medieval armour 1066 to 1500 - Chris Franklin
Friday 25th February

Tickets £5
Booking essential

All talks 2pm - 3pm

Shrewsbury Library | Shropshire Libraries | shropshire.gov.uk/libraries/library-events