

St Lawrence C of E Junior School

FRIDAY FLYER

16th January 2026



Word from the Headteacher.....

It was such a pleasure to come together in the hall this morning to watch Owls perform their class assembly. From global and local trade to persuasive speeches and exhilarating games of dodgeball, we were entertained from start to finish! Well done Miss Evans for bringing it all together; very impressive.

The results of our recent parent survey are [here](#) and we are pleased with the high level of positive responses. Thank you for both your written and verbal feedback. It is encouraging to see that there has been an increase in the numbers of parents who agree that the homework given is appropriate, compared to last year, and we are especially proud that an outstanding 92% of parents strongly agree they would recommend our school to another family. Please do! We continually strive to make our school a place of excellence, and your open and transparent communication helps us to keep improving. Thank you.

On the theme of striving for excellence – we need your help! Please do consider being a volunteer with us. We have rebranded this as 'Academic Mentors' but essentially it is the same thing. Offering up just 30 minutes a week could help a child move from being a struggling writer to a more confident one. It is as simple as sitting alongside them with their English book and helping them to read through their writing and improve the punctuation or the words used. Please click the link [here](#) to sign up. Thank you if you have started this – it is already having an impact on the children's confidence and results.

Enjoy the weekend with your families,
Mrs MacLean

Safeguarding

Clubs

We are noticing an increase in the number of children being left alone to wait for clubs leaders in the morning.

For both school-led clubs and external clubs, **it is essential that children are handed to the club leader by their parent.**

If your child is in Year 5 or 6 and walks to school alone, please double check that the club is running before they leave home.

You can check club times and dates **here** . This is especially important as some clubs have not started yet and some are not running consistently throughout the whole term. These have also been sent to all families on Parentmail *and* are on display on the playground noticeboard.

Reporting an absence

You must contact the school **each day** that your child is absent from school **BEFORE 9.30am**, by phone, Parentmail or emailing Reportanabsence@stlawrence-junior.surrey.sch.uk



Artist of the week

Metallica



Name: James Hetfield, Lars Ulrich, Kirk Hammett, Robert Trujillo

Type of artist: Heavy Metal Band

Country of origin: USA

Years active: 1981–present

Awards: 104 awards include 9 Grammys and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame

Five Facts:

1. Their first album created a new style called “thrash metal” by combining speed and loud sound.
2. They were one of the original “Big Four” bands that made thrash metal famous, alongside Megadeth, Anthrax, and Slayer.
3. The album known as **The Black Album** was so popular it sold over 22 million copies worldwide—one of the best-selling rock albums ever.
4. Their song “Enter Sandman” became a superstar hit and won an MTV Video Music Award in 1992.
5. They’ve won 9 Grammy Awards and were inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in 2009 – after playing together for nearly 30 years.

<https://open.spotify.com/playlist/3MXrmAlwQ4n1kd7as5dsSb>

Famous Works

Enter Sandman
Master of Puppets
One
Nothing Else Matters
Fade to Black

Genre: Heavy Metal

Library News from Miss Carter

As we transition into our new and improved library space, we've noticed that some borrowed books are not always being returned on time. We'd really appreciate your help in reminding children to return their library books by the due date.

Children have two weeks to enjoy their borrowed book. If they need a little more time, they're very welcome to renew the book—they just need to speak with an adult in the library.

To help keep our library running smoothly for everyone, we've outlined the steps we'll follow for overdue books below:

First reminder: Your child will be reminded to bring in their overdue book and a note will be put into their home/school contact book.

Second reminder: A letter will be sent home to notify parents of the details of the unreturned book.

Final notice: A Parentmail will be sent requesting a book replacement or a £10 payment to cover the cost of the unreturned book and admin charges.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us care for our school library. By working together, we can ensure that all children have access to a wide range of books to enjoy.

Useful school website links

[Clubs timetable](#)

[School Day Timing](#)

[Term dates](#)

[School Uniform information](#)

School Noticeboard

Lunch swaps deadline 27th January

If you would like to swap your child/ren between hot and packed lunches for next half term starting on Monday 23rd February, please inform the school office by 4pm, Tuesday, 27th January. We will not allow any changes after this deadline

Daily equipment checklist



Water Bottle



PE kit including mouthguards and shin pads if necessary



Musical instruments



Correct school uniform including tie

Earrings

A reminder that we are a 'no earring' school. Please wait until the beginning of the summer holiday to get your child's ears pierced. Children with newly pierced ears will have to sit out of PE lessons for 6 weeks.

Thank you for your support with this.



Remember!

School starts at 8.55 and finishes at 3.15pm. Please don't be late



Gem Winners

Congratulations to **Kites** who are the gem winners this week. Well done! What a lovely, polite and courteous class you are.

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