



# Friday Flyer

*Inspired by the Christian faith, our children will treasure a **love of learning**, a **belief in themselves and others**, and a **respect for the world around them**, helping them to grow and flourish throughout their lives.*

Dear Parents and Carers

Here are the weekly reminders for next week and school information:

## Upcoming Dates

**Tuesday 8 October**

Parent Tour / Open Morning **9:15am**

**Tuesday 8 October**

Parents Evening **3.30pm – 7pm**

**Thursday 10 October**

Parents Evening **3.30pm – 6pm**

**Friday 4 October**

Swimming Toucans and Swans



## Word from the Head

Huge congratulations to our House Captains this week who conducted their first parent tours with skill and confidence. The words 'impressive' 'informative' 'friendly' and 'welcoming' were used in the feedback forms. Thank you also to Mr Noble and the fantastic St Lawrence Choir who performed a beautiful version of 'Yellow' in the school hall. You have all certainly helped to show the school in its absolute best light, so well done.

The School Council had their first meeting of the year with Mrs Copsey and are busy preparing an event that will take place next week to support World Mental Health Day. Please do read below to find out what they are organising. Good job team!

In our bid to continue sharing our curriculum with you, we have uploaded our History and Geography Whole School Overviews and Knowledge Organisers onto the website. Please click on the link [here](#) to see what core knowledge and vocabulary your child has been learning this half term in these subjects. The Knowledge Organisers will be uploaded each half term so that you can support your child's learning and language at home – or even when on holiday!

We would love to invite you to take part in a short survey to gauge a whole-school perspective on children owning smartphones. Please take 5 minutes to complete the Google Form which can be accessed by clicking [here](#). We will use the results of the survey to help us form policy on the use of pupil mobile phones in school.

Please do join us for our Parents Evenings next week so you can find out about your child's progress, both socially and academically. These evenings are crucial in helping us to work closely with you to support your child in any way that we can.

Let's hope the rain stops for us all this weekend!

Mrs MacLean

### **Maths Clips on the website**

We hope you enjoyed watching our children perform their 2s, 5s and 10s Rolling Numbers last week. Please click [here](#) to watch our children perform their 4s-12s Rolling Numbers. The password has been sent separately. Watch this space for new videos demonstrating common maths strategies and the associated vocabulary that we use in school.

### **Parent Tours**

Do you know anyone who would be interested in a place at St Lawrence or any families with young children who may be considering their child's school journey? Please pass on the word that our upcoming Open Mornings all start at 9.15am, with a talk from the head, tour from our excellent House Captains and a performance from our fabulous St Lawrence Choir. A new bookable form can be found on the website. A warm welcome awaits 😊

### **Parent Tour Upcoming Dates:**

Tuesday 8th October  
Wednesday 23rd October  
Friday 8th November  
Tuesday 19th November

### **Thank you**

A big thank you to Mrs Murthy for taking beautiful professional photos of our children to help us promote our school. You will all have noticed the professional Open Morning banners outside the gates with Ceris and James on the front. Thank you to all parents who have kindly given permission for us to display their child's photo in this way- it really does help with numbers!

### **Donations**

Thank you for all of those who have donated to our Governors Fund. It is very much appreciated and a big help to our school. In order to make it easier to make your donations we have added this to ParentMail. You will find this in the shop section of your ParentMail. There is a suggested amount of £120 which is the equivalent of a £10 monthly donation. You can pay this in the instalments that you would like, it does not have to be the full amount. For those that have already set up a standing order or wish to make their contribution this way, our bank details are:

Sort Code: 30-19-22  
Account Number: 00163066

### **A message from the School Council: Thursday 10th October is World Mental Health Day**

Next Thursday 10th October is World Mental Health Day. To mark this, all children are invited to wear a yellow accessory (e.g. socks, hair accessories, scarves) to school (normal uniform is still required). We will be marking the day with some activities which support and promote positive mental health.

Please note we are not asking for donations of money at this time; Children's Mental Health Week takes place in February and we will be doing further activities then. If you would like to donate to Young Minds as part of their Hello Yellow campaign, you can do so here:

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/support-us/donate/>

We look forward to seeing your yellow accessories next Thursday.

### **Breakfast and Come and Play (CAP) Clubs:**

The bookings for next half term is – Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2024. There is no after school club on the 20<sup>th</sup> December as school finishes at 1.30pm. Please go on to ParentMail to book your sessions.

### **Reminder**

Please ensure that if you have alternative arrangements to pick up your child that you write a note in the Home-School contact book in advance, so that your teacher is aware.

### **Poet Visit**

Yesterday we were lucky enough to invite Kev Payne, an incredibly talented poet, author and illustrator into school. The children enjoyed an exceptionally engaging assembly followed by some fantastically inspiring workshops in their year groups. The poems produced by our children were phenomenal - I hope it was a day they will remember for a long time to come! Thank you for your support as always! Miss Carter 😊

"The best bit about yesterday was when I performed my favourite poem," Jacob, Swan's class.

Saige in Swan's class said, "I enjoyed finding a variety of vocabulary to write our kenning poems - can you guess what my kenning is about?"

sky-soarer  
meat-eater  
dangerous-flyer  
long-winger  
animal-killer  
fierce-fighter  
creature-collector  
neck-slicer  
night-hunter  
Beady-eyer"

### **Gem winners**

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

Have a lovely weekend.

St Lawrence School Office

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