



Friday Flyer

Inspired by the Christian faith, our children will be treasured to **achieve exceptionally well**, **believe in themselves**, and **care for the world around them**

Dear Parents and Carers

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

Upcoming Dates

Tuesday 12th November	SEN Coffee morning
Wednesday 13th November	Y6 – Royal Courts of Justice trip
Thursday 14th November	Individual photographs (Studio)
Thursday 14th November	Boys football match (Esher)
Friday 15th November	Swimming Toucans and Swans
Friday 15th November	Kites Assembly 9am
Friday 15th November	Children In Need/Anti Bullying day



Word from the Head

We have had a great start to the new term and the children have come back refreshed, happy and ready to learn, so thank you. I must say, I always think the winter uniform looks so smart on them all.

We have a busy term ahead with lots of exciting learning planned and many opportunities to represent the school from sporting fixtures to musical performances, so please do add all relevant dates [here](#) from our website to your diaries. Talking of websites, we are busily designing our brand new website behind the scenes which we are aiming to launch at the end of November. Watch this space!

Our School Council have been beavering away with Mrs Copsey this week on two important causes: Children in Need and Anti-bullying. Events for both will take place on Friday 15th November. I am sure the children will have no problems following this year's theme of 'Express Yourself'! Please do also sponsor your child to help raise money for Children In Need. The day should be a wonderful opportunity to come together as a school and become advocates for change.

Mrs Searle has been working closely with our new PALS (Playtime Leaders) to ensure our Playtime Zones are in full swing. The leaders have been donning their high viz jackets and getting involved in running a range of activities, including the Dance Zone, Skipping Zone, Activity Cube Zone and Quiet Zone. Congratulations to all the PALS who have really stepped up into their leadership position this week: Olivia M, Ben C, Bertie, Indie, Orla, William, Alice, Jacob, Arlo, Xanthe, Zac, Alfie, Xanti, Ella M, Sophie, Lily, Sophia, Sophie, Sienna, Eleanor, Kyah, Isla, Dennis and Katie.

As mentioned in the newsletter, Mrs Cary and I have been working very closely together over the past few years and are proud of the positive collaboration between ourselves and the two schools. Please look [here](#) at our joint school brochure highlighting the joined-up approach that we have.

Mrs MacLean

Parent Tours

“Seems like the perfect fit for my child,’ was a recent comment from today’s parent tour. 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 [here](#). A warm welcome awaits 😊

Parent Tour Upcoming Dates:

Tuesday 19th November
Thursday 28th November

Smartphone Survey

If you haven’t already done so, please can you complete our school survey on Smartphones [here](#). Thank you to all of you who have responded so far- the comments are very interesting to read.

Hockey Club:

The OC Club and Surbiton Club have now started their Hockey club sessions on a Tuesday and Wednesday morning at 7.40am. These are proving popular and we are currently talking to the clubs about running them again next year. There are still spaces in the OC Hockey club on a Tuesday morning. Please contact the office if you would like to sign up.

School lunches:

Please ensure that you have topped up your account for the lunches and that they are in credit.

Winter Season:

As the weather is now getting colder, please ensure that you send your child in to school with a coat every day.

Sickness:

If your child is unwell during school, we need them to be picked up as soon as possible to prevent infections and viruses from spreading further. Ideally, collecting them within 15 minutes. Please ensure you have a contingency plan in place for a speedy collection.

Year Group Curriculum and Knowledge Organiser:

Please click below on the relevant link to access your child's Year group Curriculum Web and the Knowledge Organiser. These can all be found on our website. If you have any questions about what your child is learning, please speak to your child's class teacher.

- [Year 3 Curriculum Web](#)
- [Year 4 Curriculum Web](#)
- [Year 5 Curriculum Web](#)
- [Year 6 Curriculum Web](#)
- [Our Curriculum](#)

Please remember that the password to get in to the Year Group pages on the website was sent out via ParentMail. We will send it out again today, in case you can't find this.

Anti-Bullying Week:

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week. This year's theme is Choose Respect and we have some specific learning opportunities planned in school for this, as chosen by the school council. School council have also decided that they would like a non-uniform day on **Friday 15th November**, with the theme 'express yourself' and how this links to respecting that we are all different. There is no donation required for this. Please no crop tops / clothes that are not school appropriate.

Children in Need

Friday 15th November is Children in Need Day. The school council decided that to raise money for this, they would like to 'Run Pudsey'. We have set our own school challenge, which is to run 200km as a school! During the school day, each child will run one lap of our field (or playground if too wet). With some help from the adults in school too, this means that if everyone takes part we will run 200km in total.

Every child also has the chance to receive a medal for this, if they aim to raise a minimum of £10. For your child to receive one, parents must sign up here: <https://www.runpudsey.co.uk/school/st-lawrence-c-of-e-a-junior-school> with our school code 95AE. From here, you can set up a donations page which can be shared with family and friends to raise money for Children in Need. Any money raised this way will contribute to our whole school total. **Please do not send any cash donations to school.**

If you would rather not sign up or aim for the £10 target, every child will still receive a certificate for taking part.

To summarise: Friday 15th November is non-uniform day with the theme 'express yourself', and also the day each child will run one lap of the field, so please consider this when choosing a suitable outfit. Donations must be made by signing up via the link above - no cash will be taken. We look forward to updating you on our progress!

A message from Mrs Carter:

Book Fair Homework

Thank you for all of the Reading Fair homework entries so far, we have received some excellent submissions! It is not too late for those who still want to enter the competition and be in with a chance to win a voucher for the book fair beginning the 19th November! The homework details have been attached to this email. ****Please note the 500 word story can be submitted as part of the homework, but if your child wants to submit it to the official BBC competition, you will have to do that at home.****

Reading Ambassadors

***Do you love reading?
Are you passionate about sharing your love of reading with others?
Do you have lots of ideas of how to make reading fun at St Lawrence?***

If you answered yes to any of these questions, you *may* be one of our new reading ambassadors. We are currently trying to promote a love of reading in all of our children and build a reading for pleasure culture across the school. Reading ambassadors will play a key role in helping us to achieve this.

They will be responsible for things such as:

- work with the English Lead (Miss Carter) to promote the love of reading across the school
- support their peers (and teachers) with book recommendations
- offer suggestions on how to further develop Reading for Pleasure in our school
- further develop “book talk”

Reading ambassadors – How to apply

We wish to appoint a Reading Ambassador in each class. Please print and complete the attached application form by **Wednesday 13th November** and return to Miss Carter. You will be notified of whether or not you are successful on Friday 15th November. We intend to rotate our Reading Ambassadors regularly, so if you are not successful this time, there will be other opportunities!

Best wishes and thank you for your ongoing support.
Miss Carter

Gem winners

Congratulations to **Quetzals** who are the gem winners this week. Well done for demonstrating our school values so well this week!

St Lawrence School Office

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