



# 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

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January**

**Wrens class assembly**



## Word from the Head

Happy New Year! It has been wonderful getting back into the swing of things at St Lawrence this week – your children have been a credit to you as they have settled beautifully into the new term. The staff all came together on Monday during the INSET day to focus on key aspects of the School Development Plan, including planning in evidenced-based pedagogical techniques to use in the classroom. What a dedicated and experienced staff body we have at St Lawrence!

Year 4 have started their hockey sessions with Miguel and have thoroughly enjoyed them – excellent work year 4! If your child is keen to join the breakfast club with Miguel on a Thursday morning, please do contact the office to sign them up. We can provide subsidised spaces to this Thursday session to children in receipt of free school meals. Please contact the office to find out more.

The whole school voted for their new House Captains this morning and we say a huge congratulations to these children who will now be leading Thursday Achievement assemblies every week, as well as fulfilling other exciting duties:

Oak - Callum C and Charlie C  
Beech - Boris N and Jessica M  
Elm - Jesse M and Anna J  
Pine - Nicholas H and Gabriel H

February marks Children's Mental Health Week and all our pupil leaders are busily preparing activities and events to mark the occasion, including a new sports club at lunchtime! Watch this space.

Have a wonderful, if a little frosty, weekend with your families,

Mrs MacLean

## **Earrings**

From January 6<sup>th</sup> 2025, we are asking that all children come to school without earrings on PE days, including swimming days. This is to ensure the safety of the children whilst taking part in sport and games. If your child prefers to take out their earrings for PE sessions that is fine, however they must be able to do so independently. Children who are unable to take their earrings out will be asked to sit out of the session.

From September 2025, we will be a 'no earring' school, along with many other schools, and will be requesting that children get their ears pierced just before the long summer holiday in order to have sufficient time for their ears to heal.

Thank you for your support in this.

## **In person parent talk run by Papaya - Smartphone Free**

Please do join the **in-person** parent talk that will be run by the brilliantly knowledgeable Papaya (Parents Against Phone Addiction In Young Adolescence). The talk will take place on **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January** from **7.30pm- 9.00pm** in St Mary's Church, East Molesey, KT8 0ST. See flyer attached. There is a £2 contribution.

Let's keep the discussions at the forefront of everyone's minds and continue learning about how we can navigate the world of smartphones and our children. We remind you that from September 2025, St Lawrence will be a smartphone-free school for pupils.

## **Clubs information**

We have been contacted by the providers of Lego Club to inform us that they will not be running this term's Tuesday sessions. If you have any questions, please get in touch directly with Lego Legends.

Spaces are available on Thursday lunchtime's 'Magpie Makes' sewing class. Please contact the provider directly if you would like to book a space for your child.

## **Come and Play (CAP) Club**

If you believe you will be late to collect your child/ren you must contact CAP Club on 07799 380157. Children must be collected by 5.30pm. If they are collected after this time the following costs are applicable: 5.30 – 5.45pm +£20, 5.46 – 6.00pm +£35, 6.01pm – onwards +£50.

## **Pudsey fundraising update**

We have now had a response from the Run Pudsey team who have explained that there was a delay in receiving the medals from their supplier. They have said we should expect medal delivery to school by the end of January. They also thanked us for raising such a spectacular amount of money! We will let you know when the medals arrive and will celebrate the children when awarding them in school for them to bring home.

## **Parking**

Please remember to park with consideration for our neighbours. We ask that you pay particular attention to make sure that you are not blocking any driveways.

## **Clothes bank – outside the main gates**

Please do donate all unwanted clothes and shoes to the clothes bank outside the main school gates. We raise money for the school every month with your donations so it really does make a difference to us!

## **Gem winners**

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

## **Head lice**

We have been informed of cases of headlice across 2 different year groups. Please can we ask you to be vigilant and check over your child's hair this weekend, regardless of whether or not they are in an affected year group.

Have a lovely weekend.

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