ST LAWRENCE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

26th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. We are as busy as ever at school with lots of learning taking place. Our Willow Class have settled in so well and are already such a big part of our school family. Next week they will visit St Lawrence Church prior to their first Collective Worship on Thursday 2nd October at 9.00am. We will be having our Harvest Festival on Thursday 16th October at 9am. The Global Ambassadors will be sending a separate letter out but this is to give you a heads up that we will be collecting donations for Alton Food Bank on that day. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Congratulations to Ruby and George – our new Head Girl and Head Boy and their brilliant team of Deputies: Seb, Oliver, Dottie and Lottie. We will see lots of them taking on different responsibilities over the year.

We are passionate about celebrating the whole child at St Lawrence and we know that many achievements happen outside of school – big and small. We would love you to share those with us so just like last year, we have sent out a starfish with this newsletter for you to fill in at some point this half term celebrating your child either showing one of our school values or a special achievement. We will share these in class and celebrate the children in Collective Worship on a Friday.

Yesterday, we had the PTA AGM which was well supported. Thank you to Kate Miller and for all the work she has done leading a team of willing volunteers over the last four years as Chair. She now hands the baton on to Tony Reeves (Y3 and Y5 parent) however Kate will now take over the role of Treasurer while Holly Anfield remains as Secretary and Jo Norkett continues as Vice Chair. Thank you to the PTA Committee and all the volunteers that help to raise great sums of money for our school. We really do appreciate it.

One new initiative that the PTA have organised is having a PTA Clothes bin located in the Parish Centre where we can donate unwanted clothes. It is another easy way of fundraising whilst also recycling and helping the environment. Please see the photo – you can't miss the bin!

Year 6 enjoyed a trip to Eggars this week – meeting the school dog, taking part in various lessons and meeting the Headteacher. We also had a visit from their Big Band at the beginning of the week. This was a wonderful opportunity to see Year 10 and Year 11 children making music together and inspiring some new musicians at St Lawrence!

Our first Family Time of the year was extremely successful with lots of conversations about books going on! It is so lovely to welcome you into our school and we will continue to rotate the days to allow as many parents able to come throughout the year.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.
Take care, Mrs Fiona Micklefield



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP THEMES

For this half term,

we are focusing on:
Let your light shine
Bible stories showing our values:
Love, Compassion & Respect
Harvest



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MESSAGE FROM THE PTA:

A very Happy New School Year to all parents! As the incoming PTA Chair, I would firstly like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported the PTA events last year to help us raise over £7,000. Every penny goes towards supporting the wonderful St Lawrence community.

We have a new clothes bin in the Parish Centre car park next to the nursery. Please donate any unwanted clothes as every item helps raise money for the school. Also, we would welcome all nut-free cake donations for our first PTA cafe' on Friday 3rd October. If you would like to donate a cake, please bring it in before Friday, then come along for some tea and cake.
We hope to see you there!
Tony Reeves (PTA Chair)

QR CODE FOR PTA EASY FUNDRAISING

ATTENDANCE
w/c 15th Sept 2025

Year R – 96.33%
Year 1 – 98.97%
Year 2 – 98%
Year 3 – 98.06%
Year 4 – 98.44%
Year 5 – 98.53%
Year 6 – 99.38%

ALL STARS CLUB
w/c 15th September 2025

Year 1 – Nevaeh
Year 2 – Bena
Year 3 – Albert
Year 4 – Kara
Year 5 – Flo
Year 6 – Ruby B-A

ATTENDANCE
w/c 22nd Sept 2025

Year R – 97.04%
Year 1 – 98.47%
Year 2 – 98.15%
Year 3 – 97.15%
Year 4 – 92.36%
Year 5 – 98.36%
Year 6 – 90.97%

PE REMINDER

When it is a PE day, please remember that earrings must either be taken out or your child must bring some tape to cover their ears. Thank you.



ALL STARS CLUB
w/c 22nd September 2025

Year 1 – Kai
Year 2 – Aras
Year 3 – Imogen
Year 4 – Dominic
Year 5 – Kasper-Jack
Year 6 – Seb

COMMUNITY & PARISH INFORMATION

Available to anyone without referral:

Alton Community Cupboard: Open on:

Monday 12pm-1pm.
Tuesday 7pm-8pm.
Wednesday 12pm-1pm.
Thursday 7pm-8pm.
Friday 12pm-1pm.
Saturday 12.30pm-1.30pm (excluding market Saturdays).

Alton Clothes Bank: Open Tues 9.30am-11.00am, St. Mary`s Church

GLOW – a group for Key Stage 2 children in St Lawrence Church every Thursday afternoon 3.15-4.15pm

Messy Church – Alton Methodist Church (1st Saturday of the month at Alton Methodist Church)

Collective Worships - All welcome - Thursday mornings in St Lawrence Church 9.00-9.30am

Teddies – A toddler group on a Monday morning in term time in the church for free play, activities, music, stories and prayer. 9.30-10.30 but someone is there in the church from 9.00am.

REMINDERS

29 September	Music Lessons - Guitar
29 September	KS2 Dance Activity Club
29 September	KS1 Multisport Activity Club
30 September	Music Lessons - Violins
30 September	KS2 Football Activity Club
30 September	KS1 Dance Activity Club
1 October	Willow – Introduction to St Lawrence Church
1 October	Music Lessons - Woodwind
1 October	KS2 Drama Activity Club
1 October	KS1 Football Activity Club
2 October	School Nurse – Child Health Clinic
2 October	KS1 Gymnastics Activity Club
2 October	KS2 Archery/Fencing Activity Club
2 October	Eggars – Year 5 and 6 Pupils
3 October	PTA Cafe
6 October	Music Lessons - Guitar
6 October	KS2 Dance Activity Club
6 October	KS1 Multisport Activity Club
7 October	Music Lessons – Violins
7 October	KS2 Football Activity Club
7 October	KS1 Dance Activity Club
7 October	Hawthorn – Portal to the Past – Greek Workshop
8 October	Cardwell and Simons – School Portraits and Sibling Photos

Photos of the new PTA Clothes Bin, our Eco Champions celebrating our award, Year 6 visiting Eggars and Family Time!

















