ST LAWRENCE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

27th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. We have had some wonderful weather and some exciting school trips to go with it during these past two weeks! Please enjoy all the photos included in this letter.

Year 4 completed their fun weekend after their school sleepover with a day trip to Runways End. Here they were able to take part in some amazing activities such as the climbing wall, low rope team games and orienteering. Miss Panther was so proud of all the children as they all showed great resilience when completing the activities. Everybody in Maple Class were supporting each other and it was wonderful to witness. It was a fantastic day!

Beech Class had an amazing trip to Gilbert White on a very hot and sunny day! They got the chance to explore the river and completed lots of different investigations. They measured the width and the depth of the river water, as well as seeing how fast the river travelled by using racing ducks! They also explored and caught lots of interesting river creatures using their nets. In the afternoon, Beech Class got creative by representing the different features of a river using sticks. They ended their day with some orienteering and lots of the teams were very successful. They loved learning so much about rivers!

On Tuesday, Sycamore Class had to get to school really early for the coach leaving at 8.30am for Longleat Safari Park. When we arrived, we looked at a few animals including the binturong, which smelled of popcorn, before moving on to the amazing animal encounter! Here we got to hold or stroke a snake, some Madagascan hissing cockroaches, a guinea pig, and we even got close to a tarantula, which Mrs Taylor held! After a lovely picnic lunch in the shade, we explored further and saw crocodiles, koalas, and even walked through the bat cave – this was really dark and made us jump as the bats flew past! We finished the day with a breath-taking drive through safari, seeing lions, cheetahs, a crash of rhinos, vultures and giraffes. We all agreed it was the best day, and we'd LOVE to go again!! (Written by Violet & Esben)

Year 6 travelled to Winchester Cathedral for their very special Leavers' Service. They had a morning of activities which included a singing workshop and then had lunch in the shade before the service in the cathedral. They spotted Andrew in his new role, who was very pleased to see them all, and they also had Rev Lynn Power join them for the service as she was volunteering at the cathedral so they were well supported. We were right at the front for the service and one of the Diocesan Education Team commented on our really strong singing afterwards!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend and enjoy some sunshine!
Take care,
Mrs Fiona Micklefield

Inset Days for 2025-26

Wed 3rd Sept 2025
Mon 3rd Nov 2025
Mon 5th Jan 2026
Fri 19th June 2026
Fri 3rd July 2026





COLLECTIVE WORSHIP THEMES

For this half term, we are focusing on:

Flourishing
Pentecost
Refugee Week
Being grateful
Racial injustice
Community
Joy
Friendship

VACANCY AT AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Do you know of anyone who would like to help run our After School Club together with our other members of staff? We are looking for someone willing to work 3 afternoons (Tues, Wed, Fri if possible) 3.15-5.45pm. If anyone is interested, please call the school office on 01420 84400 for more information. Thank you!

ATTENDANCE AWARD FROM FFT!

Together we are making a difference with our attendance. We have just been given an award for our attendance being in the top 25% of all FFT primary schools nationally. Let's keep working together – thank you!

Email:
adminoffice@st-lawrence.hants.sch.uk
Telephone:
01420 84400
Website:
www.st-lawrence.hants.sch.uk

MESSAGE FROM THE PTA:

Thank you to everyone that donated a bottle for the adult tombola stall yesterday.
By the time you read this the Summer fair will be here and I have my fingers crossed for a dry day. The Summer fair wouldn't be possible without all the people that help behind the scenes. We start planning in January and I want to say a massive thank you to everyone that has made the event possible, I couldn't do it without them. I look forward to revealing how much we have raised in the next newsletter.
We had a stall at the Lions Pirates in the Park a couple of weeks ago and we raised £278.77.
The Disco is next Weds 2nd July and Monday 30th June is the last day to get tickets either via the Classlist app or pick up a form from the office if you wish to pay by cash. Have a lovely weekend, Kate (PTA Chair)

QR CODE FOR PTA EASY FUNDRAISING

ATTENDANCE
w/c 16th June 2025

Year R – 99.14%
Year 1 – 98.33%
Year 2 – 94.17%
Year 3 – 94.92%
Year 4 – 99.26%
Year 5 – 96.09%
Year 6 – 98.71%

ALL STARS CLUB
w/c 16th June 2025

Year R – Willow
Year 1 – Aras
Year 2 – Henry
Year 3 – Connie
Year 4 – Lily
Year 5 – Noah
Year 6 – Priyanshi

ATTENDANCE
w/c 23rd June 2025

Year R – 99.31%
Year 1 – 97.33%
Year 2 – 97.67%
Year 3 – 95.63%
Year 4 – 95.59%
Year 5 – 95.94%
Year 6 – 99.31%

FOOD BANK VISIT

On Monday 14th July our KS2 Global Ambassadors will be visiting the Food Bank to see the work that is done there and to take any donations. Please do keep them coming in! Thank you.

ALL STARS CLUB
w/c 23rd June 2025

Year R – Sophia
Year 1 – Rhys
Year 2 – Herbie
Year 3 – Cobus
Year 4 – Isaac
Year 5 – Violet
Year 6 – Alice

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

30 June	HMS – Guitar Lessons
30 June	Beech – Dance – (Main Hall)
30 June	New Year R Children (2025 entrants) – Stay & Play 2
30 June	KS2 Dance Activity Club
30 June	KS1 Multisport Activity Club
1 July	Willow – Dance (Main Hall)
1 July	KS2 Football Activity Club
1 July	KS1 Dance Activity Club
2 July	Willow – Wellington Country Park
2 July	Woodwind Music Lessons
2 July	Oak – Dance – (Main Hall)
2 July	KS2 Drama Activity Club
2 July	KS1 Football Activity Club
2 July	PTA Discos
3 July	Violin Lessons - Library
3 July	Sycamore – Visiting St Lawrence Church
3 July	Maple – Music Workshop – Amery Hill
3 July	KS1 Gymnastics Activity Club
3 July	KS2 Multisport Activity Club
4 July	Maple - Swimming

Hawthorn's Leavers' Service at Winchester Cathedral











Beech Class at Gilbert White Study Centre





Sycamore's trip to Longleat











Maple Class at Runways End and enjoying a fun sleepover at the school





