ST LAWRENCE CE PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

4th October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. Term is well underway at St Lawrence and there has been a lot of learning happening. It is wonderful to see how passionate the children are about their topics and learning and then going home and finding out even more! I love the children coming to show me their work. I have read a lot of fascinating information about World War 2 from Year 5; heard some fantastic reading in Year 1 and seen beautiful writing in Year 6. Seeing some growth mindset in Year 4 has been excellent; some challenging Maths in Year 2; hearing enthusiastic ukulele strumming from Year 3 and watching Year R play really well together have been real highlights in my week.

Thank you for your wonderful contributions to Alton Food Bank. It is really important to our children that we support some local charities and this is an easy way for us to do this. Our Collective Worship Crusaders would like us to continue to be a collection point for Alton Food Bank so if you ever want to add a donation, then please send it in with your child and when the box gets full, we will organise a delivery to the food bank. Thank you.

We want to develop our pupil voice so have created some new roles for this academic year. It is important for our children to learn how to be responsible and this is one way we can achieve this. The children were asked to either write application letters or volunteer for these posts:

- **Collective Worship Crusaders** – responsible for CWs in school, especially the ones held in their classes
- **Global Ambassadors** – continuing to work on Fair Trade and consider other global issues that we face and how we can help
- **Eco Champions** – working towards our first Green Flag Eco Award
- **Equality Heroes** – working on how we can develop our understanding and action any concerns
- **Health & Safety Inspectors** – keeping an eye on anything that might not be safe and completing H & S walks with our H & S Governor, Bob
- **Play Leaders** – children who will be on the look out for any children that may need some support at playtimes

Exciting news! Alton Sports Centre would like to adopt us as a school for the whole month of **November**. This means that all our children, parents and staff have free access to the sports centre in November which includes the gym, swimming pool & gym classes. They will put a banner up outside of school during October with a QR code to allow you to scan to register for the free month at the sports centre to start in **November.** Thank you to Mrs Saunders for ensuring we got to the top of the list. Happy exercising!

Please note the change of date for the PTA quiz – Friday 18th October. Please contact the PTA (details overleaf) if you would like to get a team together and take part.

Have a lovely weekend.
Take care, Mrs Fiona Micklefield

Our new Key Stage 2 Global Ambassadors took part in a virtual climate conference last week. The children took part in different workshops and learnt about some of the problems our planet is facing along with possible solutions. They learnt about the conflict between elephants and farmers in Zambia and designed solutions to protect the crops considering the human impact on wildlife.







Love, Compassion & Respect

"Let your light shine!" Matthew 5:16

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

It was so lovely to see some new faces at the PTA AGM! We discussed a full programme of events for this coming academic year so please do come and support us. We have our café today and look forward to seeing lots of people after school. Please note the change of date for the PTA quiz – **Friday 18th October from 7pm**. Do get in contact with your PTA rep or a member of the committee to book your team in!
Please do also scan the QR code (on the right) to join us in easy fundraising for our school.
Kind regards, Kate (PTA Chair)

QR CODE FOR PTA EASY FUNDRAISING

ATTENDANCE
w/c 23 Sept 2024
Year R – 96%
Year 1 – 95.52%
Year 2 – 96.9%
Year 3 – 99.39%
Year 4 – 97.94%
Year 5 – 96.25%
Year 6 – 90%

ATTENDANCE
w/c 30 Sept 2024
Year R – 97.67%
Year 1 – 95.86%
Year 2 – 96.9%
Year 3 – 98.79%
Year 4 – 98.53%
Year 5 – 93.13%
Year 6 – 94.33%

OAK CLASS TRIP
What a wonderful trip to Milestones Oak Class had on Thursday! They loved travelling on the coach and enjoyed seeing the old teddy bears. They also learnt how to play some traditional games such as hopscotch, the farmer's in his den and tiddlywinks! Well, done Oak Class. 😊

ALL STARS
w/c 23 Sept 2024
Year 1 – Rhys
Year 2 – Charlie
Year 3 – Zach
Year 4 – Matilda
Year 5 – George N
Year 6 – Poppy

ALL STARS
w/c 30 Sept 2024
Year 1 – Felicity
Year 2 – Joshua
Year 3 – Evie
Year 4 – Jace
Year 5 – Helena
Year 6 – Ottie

REMINDERS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

7 October	HMS Guitar Lessons
7 October	Library Club – 6 Sycamore Pupils
7 October	KS2 Dance Activity Club
7 October	KS1 Multisport Activity Club
8 October	Sycamore – Fort Nelson - WWII
8 October	Violin Lessons
8 October	Hawthorn – Dance
8 October	Mrs Holman – HT Eggars – Visiting Hawthorn
8 October	KS2 Football Activity Club
8 October	KS1 Gymnastics Activity Club
9 October	Cardwell and Simons – Portraits/Sibling Photos
9 October	Woodwind Music Lessons
9 October	KS2 Drama Activity Club
9 October	KS1 Football Activity Club
10 October	Amery Hill – Open Morning
10 October	KS1 Dance Activity Club
10 October	KS2 Multisport Activity Club
11 October	Sycamore – Swimming
14 October	HMS – Guitar Lessons
14 October	KS2 Dance Activity Club
14 October	KS1 Multisport Activity Club
15 October	Willow – Visiting St Lawrence Church
15 October	Violin Lessons
15 October	Hawthorn – Visiting St Lawrence Church
15 October	Hawthorn – Dance
15 October	KS2 Football Activity Club
15 October	KS1 Gymnastics Activity Club
16 October	Maple – History Squad (Hall)
16 October	Woodwind Music Lessons
16 October	KS2 Drama Activity Club
16 October	KS1 Football Activity Club
17 October	KS1 Dance Activity Club
17 October	KS2 Multisport Activity Club
18 October	Eggars – Open Morning
18 October	Sycamore – Swimming
18 October	PTA Quiz

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.