



St Lawrence Church of England Primary School

Newsletter 14 – Friday 5th January 2024



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Diary Dates

Tues 9 th Jan	PTFA zoom meeting - 8pm
Fri 12 th Jan	Helpers Afternoon Tea - 2pm
Tues 16 th Jan	Library bus
Wed 31 st Jan	Book Fair arrives in school for 1 week
Mon 5 th Feb	Young voices choir to AO Arena Manchester
Tues 6 th Feb	Library bus
Fri 9 th Feb	School closes for half term
Sun 11 th Feb	Education Sunday
Mon 19 th Feb	School reopens
Tues 27 th Feb	Library bus
Tues 5 th March	KS2 trip to Halle youth, Bridgewater Hall - details to follow
Thurs 7 th March	World book day
Sun 10 th March	Mother's day service - St Lawrence Church
Mon 11 th March	Year 5 Bikeability week - details to follow
Tues 12 th March	Y3 - Lets go sing concert
Thurs 28 th March	School closes for Easter
Mon 15 th April	School reopens

If you are concerned about any aspect of school life, we want to know about it as soon as possible. Don't delay, call today!
Tel 01772 862664

Happy New Year.

We hope you had a wonderful break and wish you all the best for a happy and healthy 2024!

THANK YOU - Many thanks for the Christmas cards, gifts and good wishes that parents sent into staff as we broke up for Christmas. Your support, as always, is much appreciated by every one of us.

HELPERS AFTERNOON TEA - Every year we hold a wonderful buffet style afternoon tea for anyone who has done something to assist school or PTFA over the last 12 months. Invites went out before Christmas in children's bags or were hand delivered and we know sometimes they can go astray so if you were expecting an invite and have not found yours, then please just let us know in the office! If you have received an invite please remember to let us know if you will be attending by emailing bursar@st-lawrence.lancs.sch.uk, phone or pop in to see us.

PTFA MEETING - We will be holding a PTFA zoom meeting on Tuesday 9th January. The zoom link will be sent out in advance and everyone is welcome. Please come along and see what is being organised for 2024 without any commitment.

LIBRARY BUS - The library bus will be back on Tuesday 16th January. As usual, please can you send your child in to school with their library card and any books to return. You do not need to wait for the library bus day to return your books you can either visit a local library or drop them in with Mrs Higham in the front office - we have a returns box.



REPORTS - Interim reports will be sent home over the next week. These reports are designed to give you an indication of your child's progress at the end of the first term. A full written report will be sent home at the end of the school year.

POPPY APPEAL - We received a thank you from The Royal British Legion for raising money for the poppy appeal. By selling poppies and accessories we managed to raise a fantastic £236.06 for the cause.



EDUCATION SUNDAY SERVICE - We will be celebrating Education Sunday on 11th February. On this occasion, the congregation of St Lawrence Church is invited to join children, staff and parents for a service of celebration in the school hall. Children will need to be in school for 9.45am. The service starts at 10.00am and lasts for around an hour. This year the service will be lead by Bishop Philip! The children help to plan and deliver the service which is always very child friendly. Please do try to attend as this is a good opportunity to share the success of our school and the pride we have for it with the local community. Refreshments will be served following the Service. If you are able to please donate cakes or biscuits either shop bought or homemade, please let us know. All donations very gratefully received!

BOOK FAIR - The scholastic book fair arrives in school on 31st January. Books will be on sale in the library area after school each day from 31st January to 6th February.

BOWLAND WILD BOAR PARK - To kick off 2024 they are offering a FREE child admission pass to visit between 10th - 18th February 2024. Tickets will be sent home in the next couple of weeks so please look out for them in bags before half term.

HOLIDAY DATES - Please see the attached holiday dates for 2024/2025.

ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTER - Please find attached.



SPORTS REPORT - In November, the girls' football team took part in the Preston School's football tournament at Play Football. We took two teams along. The second team captained by Mariam, included Minnie, Maryam, Ellie, Olivia and Izzy played really well. For many, it was the first experience of competitive football. The first team played superbly managing to get all the way to the final. Unfortunately,

they were pipped at the post but did amazingly well to come second in the whole competition. Well done to captain Katie, Mollie, Evie, Nancy, Catherine, Robyn, Ayaanah and Hannah.

The Year 5 and 6 boys' football team completed their league fixtures down at the UCLAN Sports Arena. Theo (captain), Elliot, Gabriel, Zach, Alfie, Thomas, Jonas and Noah won both their games, meaning they have now won their league - Division Three Champions. Well done boys.

The netball team began their Garstang league fixtures this month. Captain Robyn, Katie, Nancy, Mariam and Mollie played three games so far, winning one and losing two. Jo said that it was the best the team had ever played. A great start to the year's fixtures. The girls also took part in a local friendly against St. Mary and St. Andrew's at the end of the month. With the inclusion of Evie, Hannah and Izzy the girls competed well, gaining more experience for the year ahead.

On the 14th November, our triathlon team went to Fulwood Leisure Centre and competed in swimming, running and gym tests. Miss Hindle took along Nathaniel - the captain, Alfie, Theo, Nancy, Robyn and Hannah. They did incredibly well coming 4th out of all the schools in Preston. A wonderful achievement for them all.

The final event of the month was the Y5/6 Athletics competition. All of Year 6 went along to take part in sprinting, relay, throwing and jumping events. Captains Theo and Evie, along with Jessica, Katie, Zahraa, Henry, Zach, Nancy, Catherine, Minnie, Raees, Isaac, Harper, Harrison, Robyn, Mariam, Zachariah, Gabriel, Ayaanah, Nathaniel, Emily, Leo, Joe, Toby and Tilly had an amazing day out. Well done to you all.

Please try to support our collection of tins and packets of food for the food bank - sharing is caring!



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