

# St Lawrence Weekly

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## Headteacher's Spotlight

What a crazy week weather-wise! I'm proud of our staff team for being at work and so impressed that attendance of pupils remained high. The pupils have behaved responsibly and abided by all of our requests - they've had a lot of fun on the snowy field too.

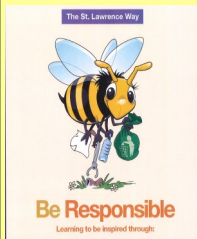


(Photo courtesy of Mrs Brookfield)

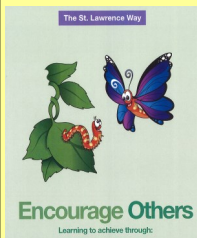
It's also been UK Parliament Week and the all classes have been learning about democracy and how laws are passed and changed. In our assembly this morning we heard from pupils about what they had been studying and voting on.



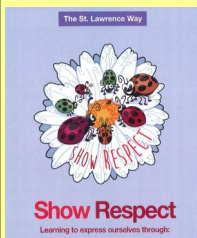
One of our pupils, Declan Morris, played for Shropshire's County Chess Team in a tournament at Nottingham last Saturday. It's always great to have pupils participating in sports and other pursuits at a high level - well done Declan!



Work on the school roof has continued in spite of the weather and we appreciate everyone's patience whilst this occurs - the noise, the leaks, the mess etc. Hopefully, it'll all be finished by Christmas!



It is beginning to sound a lot like Christmas in school! Mrs Allen-Brown and the Infant staff are perfecting the Nativity and our KS2 St Lawrence Singers are sounding wonderful. The singers will be making their debut Christmas performance at the switching on of Church Stretton's Christmas lights on Saturday 30th November. Why not make a day of it in Church Stretton? Friends will be serving food on the street and there are lots of exciting things to do, including a visit to see Father Christmas!



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**PASSMASTER COACHING**  
**Y1-Y6 KIDS**  
**XMAS HOLIDAY CAMPS**  
 ART & CRAFTS SPORTS, GAMES, OUTDOOR FUN

SEE OVERLEAF FOR VENUES, DATES AND PRICES

**DECEMBER 23, JANUARY 2 & 3**

Mount Pleasant Primary Activity Camp Shrewsbury SY1 3BY  
 St Lawrence Primary Activity Camp Church Stretton SY6 6EX  
 London Road Football Camp Shrewsbury SY2 6PR (23 Dec only)

SCAN ME

**HAF** Holiday Activities and Food

Department for Education

Shropshire Council

More Information <https://passmastercoaching.schoolipal.co.uk>

St Lawrence Primary School & Nursery  
**FRIENDS**

All children will receive 2 FREE tokens to spend at the fair!

**Christmas Crafts Fair**  
 Friday 6th December  
 3.20pm - 5.30pm in the School Hall  
 Crafts, Games, Raffle, Refreshments

**CHRISTMAS DINNER REMINDER**

We have only received 7 replies to our Christmas Dinner Parentmail. This is the last call ... If your child will **not** be having a dinner on Thursday 29th December, please can you let the office know by 12 Noon on Monday 25th November. If we do not hear anything, we will presume your child **will** be having a school dinner and will be charged £2.70 for this on your sQuid account.

Thank you

## Dates for your diary:

Friday 6th December - 3.20pm - 5.30	Friends Christmas Fair in school
Thursday 12th December 9.30am & 2pm	EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performances at 9.30 & 2pm Max two adults per child to one or other performance
Monday 16th December 10am	KS2 Christmas Service in Church - KS2 Parents welcome to attend
Thursday 19th December	Christmas Extravaganza Day to include Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper day
Thursday 19th December - 4.15pm	KS2 Singing Club Performance around the Christmas Tree at school
Friday 20th December - 11am	Whole school singing Christmas carols in Church Stretton Town Square
Monday 23rd December - Friday 3rd January 2025	Christmas holidays
Monday 6th January 2025	PD Day - School closed to children
Thursday 9th January 2025	Y6 Height & Weight check (re-scheduled)
10th-14th February 2025	Y6 to Arthog
12th-14th February	Y5 to Pioneer Centre



**Church Stretton Town Council**

**30th November**

# Christmas LIGHT SWITCH ON

A day full of festive fun! See our full programme for details.

- 10am - 3pm Mayfair Centre Frost Fair
- 1pm - 4pm Santa's grotto Silvester Horn Institute
- From 1pm stalls and fair, Sandford Ave. and High St.
- From 3pm entertainment, Market Square
- From 4pm Messy Church at St. Laurence's CofE
- From 5pm Christmas lights switch, Market Square

For More Information  
[www.churchstretton-tc.gov.uk/christmas-festival-2024](http://www.churchstretton-tc.gov.uk/christmas-festival-2024)



## POPPY APPEAL 2024



Thank you for your very generous donations towards this year's Poppy Appeal.

We raised £239.93.

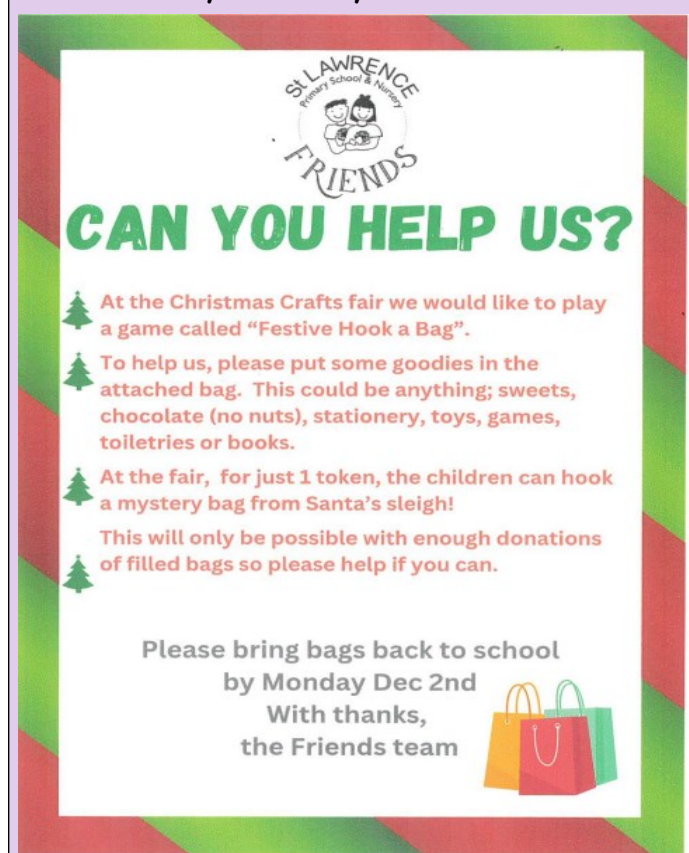
## Friends' News ...



We are in need of volunteers to help set up for our food stall at the Lights Switch on event in Church Stretton on Saturday 30th November at 11am. If you can help please let one of the Friends (PTA) team know or contact the school office.

Thank you!

Your child is also bringing home a bag with this flyer today:




**ST LAWRENCE Primary School & Nursery FRIENDS**

## CAN YOU HELP US?

- At the Christmas Crafts fair we would like to play a game called "Festive Hook a Bag".
- To help us, please put some goodies in the attached bag. This could be anything; sweets, chocolate (no nuts), stationery, toys, games, toiletries or books.
- At the fair, for just 1 token, the children can hook a mystery bag from Santa's sleigh!
- This will only be possible with enough donations of filled bags so please help if you can.

Please bring bags back to school by Monday Dec 2nd  
With thanks,  
the Friends team



## CHILDREN IN NEED 2024

Thank you so much for your generosity this year.

We raised £617.40 which is absolutely brilliant.

The money has been sent to Children in Need and your donations will help to make a difference to so many children.

Thank you!



# MAYFAIR FROST FAIR

**Saturday 30th November 2024**  
**10am to 3pm**

**MAYFAIR COMMUNITY CENTRE AND  
HEALTH AND WELLBEING CENTRE, CHURCH STRETTON**

CRAFT STALLS  
FOOD, DRINKS AND CAKES  
STAR TRAIL  
WISHING STAR GROTTO  
FAMILY ACTIVITIES  
ENTERTAINMENT  
VINTAGE VEHICLES

**FRIENDS WILL BE  
SERVING  
FOOD AT  
THIS EVENT**



**01694 722077**

**EASTHOPE ROAD, CHURCH STRETTON, SY6 6BL**

**Part of the Church Stretton Town  
Christmas Fair and Light Switch-on**

Charity number: 1061049  
Company number: 3307951

# Friends' News ...



SATURDAY 1-5 PM 30 NOVEMBER 2024  
CHURCH STRETTON HIGH STREET

## CHRISTMAS LIGHT SWITCH ON

Cash only please

An icon showing a hand holding a stack of money, with the text 'Cash only please' written in a circular path around it.

WE ARE BACK DOING THE  
FOOD AT THIS MAGICAL  
EVENT

- ★ BURGERS
- ★ SAUSAGE/BACON BAPS
- ★ FESTIVE TOASTIES
- ★ HOT AND COLD DRINKS

