

St Lawrence Weekly

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Headteacher's Spotlight

We've all had such an eventful half-term and after working so hard we're all in need of a week's rest. There's no school for pupils tomorrow - our teachers are attending a Maths conference, which we are hosting.

In our last assembly of the half-term, today, children from all classes showed their learning from Black History Month. The principal of 'justice' was studied and an understanding of 'injustice' was gained. I am very proud that our pupils' displayed a strong belief in fairness. Justice is very much part of The St Lawrence Way (Be responsible, Encourage others, Show respect and Try your best).





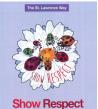
Emmie Farley-Neil from Pine Class wrote the following: 'If you treat people on Earth like a neighbour you shall live in peace; if you choose to be hurtful you will live in the dark' - powerful words!



It was great to have so many parents attend our Parents' Evenings this week. If for any reason parents/carers couldn't make appointments with teachers please contact us to arrange meetings on other days. It is so important that we talk and work together to support the children with their learning and development.



We are happy to announce that Kath Kay is joining the school as a Parent Governor, however, we still require one more parent governor to complete our team. If you would like more information about this role, please let us know.



Encourage Others

We are looking forward to welcoming Murat K back after the half-term break. His family are back in Church Stretton and I am sure the community will support them over the coming months.



Have a lovely half-term break!

Alan Brannen Headteacher head@st-lawrenceprimary.co.uk





Dates for your diary:

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24th October	PD Day - School closed to children
27th October - 31st October	Half-term holidays
4th November - am	Birch class - Flag planting with Royal British Legion
6th November (all day)	Pine Class to Red House Farm and onto Wenlock Edge
11th November	Whole School to War Memorial to observe 2 minute silence
13th November - am	Birch Class to Red House Farm
3rd December	R - Y6 to Theatre Severn Pantomime
11th December 9.30am & 2.00pm	EYFS and KS1 Christmas Performance
15th December	KS2 Christmas Service in Church (Parents are welcome to attend)
17th December	Christmas Dinner Day
19th December - 10am	Carols in the Square
22nd Dec - 2nd Jan 2026	Christmas holidays
5th January 2026	PD Day - School closed to children
4th - 6th February	Y5 Pioneer Centre Residential
9th - 13th February 2026	Y6 to Arthog residential
16th Feb - 20th Feb	Half - term holidays

Secondary Application deadline – 31/10/25

The closing date for secondary applications is 31 October 2025 which falls in the half-term holidays. If you have not already done so, we encourage you to submit an application as soon as possible but before the deadline date. This will ensure that if you encounter any problems, you can be supported/helped and to submit your application on time. There is no grace period for late applications. The link for the website is —Transferring to secondary school | Shropshire Council

The School Admissions Team strongly encourage parents to make use of their four preferences. Please see the Parents' Guide to Education in Shropshire Booklet for further information. The link to the document is Parents' guide to education | Shropshire Council

If you have already made an application and wish to add additional preferences/ change the order of preference, please contact school-admissions@shropshire.gov.uk



Prayer for the Week

Dear God,

Thank you for our friends and all of the fun we share. Help us to always be a good friend to others and offer help and care to them when it is needed.

lAmen





Join us for an afternoon of crafting this Halloween. Make halloween decorations, experiment at making a pumpkin be "sick" and explore feelie boxes.

Spooky refreshments will be available.

£5 per child







FRIDAY 31 OCTOBER

Drop in between

1PM - 4PM

Shropshire Hills
Discovery Centre

01588 676 060

School Road, Craven Arms SY7 9RS.

Grow Cook Learn, a registered charity: 1158795

www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk info@shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk



Can your team solve the escape room puzzles to unlock the team members' certificates?

In the Discovery Centre take on this popular family activity, you'll need to solve the puzzles and clues to "escape". There will be a range of activities for different ages and abilities for to move through.

All groups must be accompanied by an adult.

OCTOBER HALF TERM ACTIVITY

Mon 27thth to Thurs 30th Oct Book your slot at our front desk

£4.50 per child
Recommended age 4 - 11 years



www.shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk 01588676060

School Road, Craven Arms, SY7 9RS





Join us for a night of family fun and firework spectacular at our bonfire event on

SATURDAY 25TH OCTOBER

grow cook Learn HOT DOG AND BACON BAP STAND





WEDDING PIZZA CO.

Live music from Andrew Pearce

FAIR GROUND RIDES AND FLASHING TOYS

Firework display by the creators of the London New Year's Eve team



GATES OPEN AT 5PM | BONFIRE 7PM | FIREWORKS 7.30PM

Adults £7 | Kids £5 | Under 5s are FREE

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October Halloween Holiday Clubs

27th to 31st October, 9am to 3pm

For children ages 5 to 11, our holiday clubs are open to all abilities with a focus on fun, sports, and some Halloween themed activities! Groups of mixed age and ability.

at The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST & Ludlow Football Stadium, SY8 2BN

Scan the QR code or visit our website to book a single day for £18.

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FREE STREET CRICKET

CRAVEN ARMS COMMUNITY PROJECT

Halos Craven Arms Community
Centre, Newington Way, SY7 9PS
Every Tuesday except half-term
week, September 9-December 9
4.30-5.30pm
For ages 8-15
FREE

YOUTH - AGED 8-15



AUTUMN 2025 EVERY TUESDAY

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Children's Halloween Craft Workshop

Tues 28th October

10:30am - 12:30pm

7 years of age +

£3.50 per child

Booking Essential: 01694 328 508 Please book by 4pm Saturday 25th October

> Scrappies - 1 Sherratt Court, Beaumont Road,

Church Stretton, SY6 6BN

www.scrappies.org

Open: Weds 10 - 5,

Thurs 10 - 4, Fri 10 - 4,

Sat 10 - 4

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