

# St Lawrence Weekly

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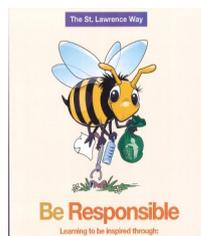
## Headteacher's Spotlight

We have had a wonderful first week of the summer term at school - everyone in good spirits and full of positivity! We still need to follow our Covid Operational Plan and keep to our bubbles, but we are taking steps back to normality! It is super to be reintroducing after-school clubs (running for 6 weeks in May and June) details will come out soon; the end of year show, with rehearsals already underway; gardening sessions with one of our volunteers - Mrs Ramsden; Sports Day (Tuesday 13th July); Y6 Bikeability; Y6 Alternative Arthog Activities and much more!

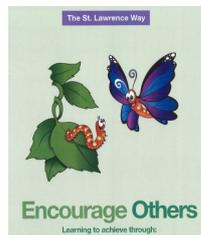
I'd like to thank parents/carers for their ongoing support with staggered drop-offs, wearing masks, collecting early on Fridays and the lovely comments made about our staff for their ongoing dedication.

With World Leaders now agreeing that climate change is a real threat and general acceptance that destroying the Earth's forests for palm oil, grazing land etc. is terrible, we are going to be doing our utmost to be an environmentally friendly school. Some ideas which we want to develop further are:

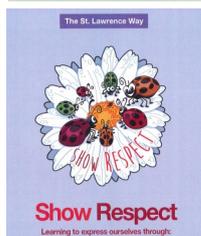
- a green roof on the school building (ie. Plants growing creating a wildlife habitat);
- banning single use plastics;
- growing our own fruit and vegetables;
- getting more children walking/cycling to school;
- staff sharing lifts to work (once allowed);



- reusing and recycling more;
- making our own loose parts resource boxes for classrooms and the playground;
- being an Eco School and flying a green flag.



If you have any ideas about helping us to become environmentally friendly, please get in touch with me!



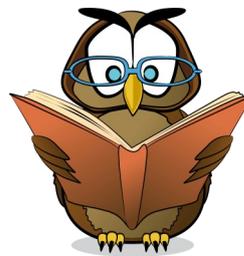
The lovely owner of a strip of forest by the secondary school field has told us we can use it for activities and to play in. We will be starting work on this area soon - have we any parents who would like to help? If so, please email me.



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## Book Fair



The "Travelling Book Fair" arrived in school on Tuesday and will be here all next week too. Book sales are going well!

With the current Covid-19 situation, we are inviting class bubbles during the day and we are also open on the KS2 playground after school. We even have a card machine to take payment!

We hope that the children will have a look at the fair as there are always some fantastic bargains to be had.

We have given out the world book day £1 Book Token to all children today - these can be used against a purchase at the book fair too.



## Dates for your diary:

21st April	Travelling Book Fair arrives in school Further information will be sent out about this after Easter
26 April - 29 April	<b>Uniform Shop (run by the Friends') open from 3pm each day in KS1 playground. Please drop by to pick up a bargain!</b>
3rd May	May Day Bank Holiday
6th May	Dr Bike to school - Y6 children taking part in Bikeability, please bring bikes to school to get the checked over.
10th May - 12 May	Y6 Bikeability Training (Group 1)
17th May - 19 May	Y6 Bikeability Training (Group 2)
21st May	Y1 Balance Bike Training - all equipment will be provided
26th May	<b>Bag 2 School collection.</b>
28th May	Y1 Balance Bike Training - all equipment will be provided
28th May	Next Gen - Class Photographs
31st May - 4th June	Half Term
7th June	PD Day (School closed to children)
13th July	Sports Day
15th July	Reserve Sports Day
22nd July - 27th August	Summer Holiday
30th August	Bank Holiday
31st August	PD Day (School closed to children)
1st September	PD Day (School Closed to children)
2nd September	Autumn term begins

**Rehearsals are now underway for this year's production.**

**We are on the hunt for the following items:**

**Old style telephone with dial;**

**Chaise lounge/psychiatrist chair/bed;**

**Child's play pen with gate;**

**Old style alarm clock;**

**Old blankets and throws;**

**Old fashioned video camera and tripod;**

**Rolling pin, mashers and other large kitchen utensils.**

**If you are able to provide any of these items, please let us know. Any parents who would be happy to make some costumes or large scenery items please contact Mrs Malone as soon as possible.**

## Friends' News ...

Hello All!

We hope you had a great Easter - welcome back!

Thanks to everyone who signed up for the Easter treasure hunt and supported this event. Together, we raised over £100 for the school!

If you haven't handed your entry form in yet, please do so by 4.30pm this afternoon. You can hand it directly to the school office. We will be distributing the Easter treats and prizes the following week.

We will be opening the second-hand uniform shop from 3pm Monday - Thursday next week in the hut on the KS1 playground. There are lots of bargain to be had - please do pop by and see us!



**The Friends Team**

## Pupil Premium Funding

The pupil premium is funding allocated to schools for the specific purpose of boosting the attainment and progress of disadvantaged pupils. Funding is given to schools in addition to main school funding and is allocated for each child who is currently receiving Free School Meals, those who have received FSM in the past and for those children who have been in care.

If you have not previously informed us then please do let us know if your child has ever:

- \* **been registered for free school meals (FSM) at any point in the last six years;**
- \* **is a child of a member of the serving forces (or has been in the last 4 years);**
- \* **been looked after for one day or more;**
- \* **been adopted;**
- \* **left care under a Special Guardianship Order or a Residence Order.**

**Please email or speak to a member of our admin team.**