

St Lawrence Weekly

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Headteacher's Spotlight

On Thursday of this week we were able to smile that we had zero Covid cases in school, unfortunately a pupil did test positive today. Clearly, there is progress and the virus seems to be subsiding but there are bound to be more cases this term. Due to the reduction in cases we will be returning (again) to normal procedures on Monday with whole school assemblies and mixing in the dinner hall. Staff may choose to wear masks in communal areas but it won't be compulsory. Similarly, parents do not need to wear masks when dropping off or picking up.

Remember to sign up to the Big Garden Birdwatch with the RSPB. My family are keen to take part!

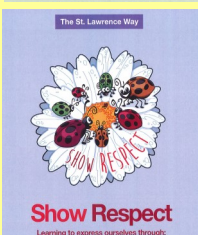
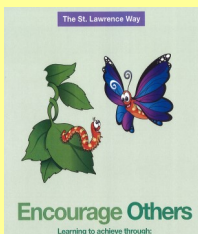
I have introduced KS2 pupils to Wordle - a daily word challenge that's free, great fun and an excellent way to develop logical thinking skills and spelling/vocabulary knowledge. There's a new Wordle every day - why not give it a whirl! Here is the link: www.powerlanguage.co.uk

We need a new parent governor. Georgina Shaw stepped down last term and is now a governor at Church Stretton School. There is a formal process for appointing a new governor - please see the letter coming home with this newsletter.

Joining the governing body is a great way to support the school and make a difference to our children.

Have a lovely weekend.

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Nut Allergy Safety Measures in School

This is a reminder that we need to ensure the safety of pupils with nut allergies by having a ban on nuts in school. This means that we ask that pupils do not bring them in as part of a healthy snack bar or packed lunch (e.g Nutella or peanut butter sandwiches) and that they are not an ingredient in any other school packed lunch item. We fully understand that nuts are a very healthy snack, but please can these be enjoyed at home and not brought into school as it puts children with allergies at risk.

This half-term in Cedar class, the children have been learning about first aid and what to do in an accident. This week they have been learning Dr ABC. Do you know what it stands for? Here is Zachary Davies' poster:



Dates for your diary:

26 January 2022	Friends' meeting at The Kings Arms - 8pm - All welcome
31st January 1.30 - 3pm	KS2 Inclusion Festival
2nd February - 4th February 2022	Y5 to Pioneer Centre - 2 night residential
18th February 2022	PD Day - School closed to children
21st February - 25th February	Half-term holidays
28th February 2022 - 4th March	Y6 Arthog
9th March	Reception & Y6 Height and weight check
11th April - 22nd April	Easter holiday
25th April	PD Day - School closed to children

Friends' News ...

Thank you!! We raised a huge £1359.86 on the rainbow raffle. That would not have been possible without all of you. This amount of money will make a huge difference to our school.



There will be a Friends' meeting on 26/1/22, at The Kings arms, 8pm. All welcome, it's always lovely to see new faces and get new ideas and opinions. Any questions, contact us! Email, friends.stlawrence@outlook.com, or message us via our Facebook page.

Don't forget if you're arranging a party or celebration we have plastic cups, bowls and plates that you can borrow for a very small donation to Friends. Help save the planet one party at a time! Contact us for more details.

Best wishes,

The Friends' Team.

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-for-parents/>

NSPCC support for parents.

Positive parenting guide



All parents can come under pressure or stress from time to time. Our Positive Parenting guide shares practical advice and tips for parenting techniques that work well for children of all ages – from babies to teenagers.

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[rspb.org.uk/birdwatch](https://www.rspb.org.uk/birdwatch)

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