

St Lawrence Weekly

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Headteacher's Spotlight

Having everyone back at school this week has been fantastic. The children are delighted to see each other after nearly 3 months apart and staff are so pleased to be teaching face to face again. Let's hope it can continue - to make sure it does please can we all continue to follow NHS guidance and everything outlined in our Operational Plan. Before and after school are busy times - remember to social distance and wear masks please.

We have had concerns raised about the safety of the crossing at the junction of Shrewsbury Road and the road leading down to the Leisure Centre carpark, due to an increased volume of pedestrians using our one-way system. To alleviate this we are happy for the pathway by the black railings next to the school building to be used - people just need to be aware that visitors to school could be coming the other way! If masks are worn, then this should be safe. The 'ginnel gate' will now be open at the end of the day for egress only.

We have now got 12 new trees on site: acer, oak, pine, birch, cedar, maple, beech, alder, willow, cotoneaster, hornbeam and a noble fir. Most of the new trees have been positioned by the mile track. We also have 5 fruit trees arriving next week!

One of our whole school targets this year is to make our school as environmentally friendly as possible. Our recycling initiatives are starting up again. If you have any empty printer ink cartridges, please send them into school. We are also still taking toothpaste tubes and batteries. The recycling zone is now in the corridor, near the library. Any pupil can visit this zone when it is quiet.



Next Friday is Red Nose Day! Noses (made from natural plant extracts rather than out of plastic) will be on sale each morning on the site (£1.50 or more - cash sales) and on Friday children can wear MUFTI for a charge of £1.50 or more. Mufti Day donations must be paid on sQuid before Friday. There will be a Red

Nose Day MUFTI offer in the 'new offers' section. We are also holding a joke contest - jokes should be recorded and uploaded on SeeSaw. The best jokes will then feature in my assembly! I think that together, we should be able to raise £1000 for Comic Relief. Let's do it!

We have received some fantastic news this morning... swimming will begin again next week! Please ensure children have their swimming kit with them on the correct day if they swim in group A.

Finally, Stretton Pool Action are seeking the views of the community on how best they can use their funds. Help them by completing the short survey online at:

<https://forms.gle/T1RR9Rq8PdWu2vNWA>

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Hello!

We hope you are all settling back in, don't forget we have uniform available from our second hand uniform shop! Just contact us with what you need, and we will have a look for you and find a way of getting it to you safely, payments can be made via paypal.

We are also always taking donations if you've had a sort out.

We are very grateful to Family Shopper for organising an Easter Raffle for us. The prizes up for grabs are now displayed in the shop for all to see! If you are popping into Family Shopper for your essentials, please buy a raffle ticket or two! All funds raised will be put towards fun activities and more for our children.

AND we have a new venture you may be interested in, Mini Bakers magazine! Suitable for all ages, available to order. Helping to raise funds and offering the opportunity for children to create their own personalised baked treats following fun recipes and step-by-step tutorials. Checkout our flyer for more info, or email us friends.stlawrence@outlook.com.



Many thanks,

April

Dates for your diary:

19 March	RED NOSE DAY - Children can come to school wearing their own clothes (MUFTI) for a donation of £1.50. Please donate on sQuid.
25 March	Y1 Eye Screening. (should have taken place in YR) If you would like to opt out please return the form which will be sent out 18th March.
2nd April - 16th April	Easter Holidays
3 May	May Day Bank Holiday
10th May - 12 May	Y6 Bikeability Training (Group 1)
17th May - 19 May	Y6 Bikeability Training (Group 2)
28th May	Next Gen - Class Photographs
31st May - 4th June	Half Term
7 June	PD Day (School closed to children)
22nd July - 27th August	Summer Holiday
30th August	Bank Holiday
31st August	PD Day (School closed to children)
1 September	PD Day (School Closed to children)
2 September 2021	Autumn term begins



FAMILY SHOPPER
Bargains everyday

ALL FUNDS RAISED GO TO FRIENDS AT ST LAWRENCE PRIMARY SCHOOL.



EASTER RAFFLE



50p per raffle ticket available at family shopper!
5 prizes to be won! All on display at Family Shopper



Raffle will be drawn on Good Friday, 2nd April @Family Shopper.

Pastoral Newsletter from Mrs Robinson and Mrs Forster

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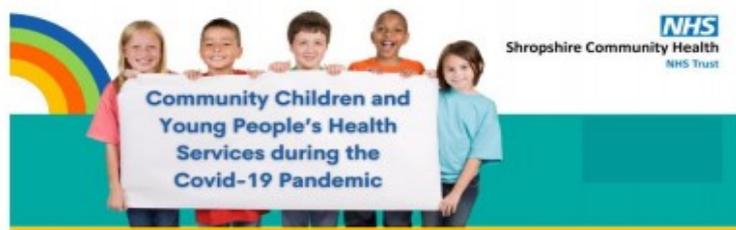


It has been wonderful to have all the children back at school this week, and we hope that they have enjoyed being back with their friends, teachers and TAs.

Inevitably there will be some children who find the transition back into the classroom a little overwhelming. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any concerns about your child's emotional wellbeing.

Have a lovely weekend! With best wishes,

Mrs Robinson and Mrs Forster x



The Paediatric Psychology Service

The Paediatric Psychology Service has continued to offer both face to face (where appropriate and required) and virtual appointments throughout the pandemic. We recognise the significant impact of Covid-19 and the ongoing restrictions on the emotional wellbeing of children, young people and their families and we continue to upload helpful resources on this topic, which can be found using the following link:

www.shropscommunityhealth.nhs.uk/coronavirus-resources-for-children-and-families

We recently came across an excellent e-book written by Psychologist Dr Emma Hepburn, called "How to stay calm during a pandemic". It is well worth a read...

www.hachette.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/How-to-Stay-Calm-in-a-Global-Pandemic-Free-ebook.pdf

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