



# St Lawrence Church of England Primary School

*"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." Matthew 5:16*

Newsletter: Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of another half term and that there is only one more half term of the school year! Well done to everyone for a great term, we have packed a lot in and the children have worked extremely hard to produce some wonderful work.

Next half term is very busy with Eagles class going out on residential. We also have a Father's day event taking place on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June and the Quintis Fun Run and Picnic (details will follow in the new term). Please check the school calendar for all of the events that will be taking place.

Have a wonderful half term break and we look forward to seeing the children back in school on **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024**.

## Who can I contact?

If you have any queries about your child and their education, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance. They will be available at the classroom door each day at the start and end of school. If you need to speak with a member of staff about SEND, behaviour or safeguarding, please contact the following members of staff:  
SEND – Mrs Ashford (Owls Class)  
Behaviour – Mrs Smith (Woodpeckers Class)  
Safeguarding – Mrs Bush or Mrs Nicklin



## Dates for your Diary

All dates for the school year can be found on the school website. Please click [here](#) to access them.



## Picture News

The story and question that the children will be thinking about after half term is...

A Swedish court has found 21-year-old climate change activist, Greta Thunberg, guilty of disobeying police orders. Question: Can the voices of the young be as powerful as those of adults?



## Attendance

We are experiencing a lot of illness in school at the moment. To try and help combat this and improve our whole school attendance we are reintroducing hand sanitising in the classrooms. Please support us to improve attendance by ensuring that your child is in school unless they are too unwell to attend. If you are unsure whether to send your child in, please call Mrs Blackburn. Useful information can also be found by visiting: <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>

## Family Hubs Parent Survey

Family Hubs need your help!

This survey is aimed at all parents and carers of children 0-19 (25 with SEND) and will help them shape the future of Family Hubs in Bedford.

It is important that they hear from as many voices as possible during the process to ensure that their offer is appropriate for all our families. The survey is open until the end of June 2024 and can be found by clicking on the following link:

<http://bit.ly/familyhubparentsurvey>



## Nintendo Switch Parental Controls

All tech devices come with parental controls, but they're not always easy to find or understand and they can differ quite significantly from device to device.

The Nintendo Switch, which is a very popular device, has a range of parental controls such as browser access, restricting games based on age, chat settings and more and more.

Internet Matters have a great guide for parents which can be downloaded [HERE](#).



Please join us for  
The Country Day's  
Family Fun Day 2024  
Sunday 2nd June  
12pm - 4pm

The Ley's Nature Reserve  
Pavenham Road, Felmersham,  
Bedfordshire, MK43 7EX

There will be cakes, tea, sandwiches, bouncy castles, ice cream, a treasure hunt, hook a duck, different local stalls, a raffle, lots of games and loads more fun! Please bring cash as well as card. There will be an entry fee of £2 per adult and £1 per child

For more information please get in touch at  
info@countrydays.net

All the money raised will go towards the continuation of the courses and the maintenance of the field. We currently need two more compost toilets as this will allow the field to become a more inclusive space and more accessible to its visitors.

## This week at St Lawrence ...

The children in Fun4us Club have been very busy! Chess is becoming a favourite activity! We now have quite a few good chess players and others learning how to play. We have also been making the most of the good weather with outside free play too



## Things you might be interested in

### JOIN US FOR A FAMILY FUNDAY ON THE FARM! SUNDAY 9TH JUNE 11AM - 4PM

Find out where your food comes from while helping us raise money for worthy local charities.



- Trailer rides and nature walks.
- Farm animals.
- Forest school.
- Piccolos children's Music Club.
- Tea tent and hog roast.
- Mini Farmers' market with Riverside and Bevisdan dairies, Farley Foods and The Cottage Bakery.
- And lots more...

Find us at Bedfordia Farms, Milton Ernest, MK44 1YU. Just off the A6, FREE ENTRY/PARKING - no need to book. Website: bedfordiafarms.co.uk

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NO DOGS  
ON SITE  
THANK YOU

Does your child enjoy music in school?  
Then come along to...

Bedford Music  
Cooperative

**Saturday  
Morning  
Music Centre**

**OPEN MORNING**  
8th June 9-12pm  
at Castle Newnham Secondary School  
*(Please sign up before you come)*

**9am - Learn 2 Play**  
*(If you've only just started playing)*  
Woodwind/Brass/Recorder/Strings/Drums/Keyboards/Guitar

**From 9:30am - All other activities**  
*(If you've been playing a year already)*  
Ukulele Band/Composing/iPads/Choir/Guitar/Drums  
Brass/Woodwind/Strings/Djembe/Rock Band + more...

Scan QR code for timetable and sign up

Bedford Music Hub

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