



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: 24th January 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great week at St Lawrence.

On Monday the children learnt about a new initiative called 'Street Tag' where tags can be collected and points raised for the school when families are out and about walking, scooting, running or cycling. The initiative is app based and you should have received a letter about this today. We hope that the children are excited about this and will want to get involved. Look out for virtual tags when you are out and about and start earning those points!

Have a wonderful weekend.

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



New data has shown that 2024 was the Earth's hottest year on record, warming by about 1.5°C higher than the pre-industrial average.

Question: Who should be involved in key decisions for the world?

Street Tag

See how many tags you can collect as you walk, run, bike or scoot around. Join our school group and collect tags as you go. Download the Street Tag app on [App Store](#) and [Google Play Store](#).



Parenting Advice and Support

Tips to Promote Positive Body Image

Concerns around social media influence in particular and the negative effects of this influence on body image for girls and boys have been around for years. In the age of generative AI this can only increase. Social feeds are awash with photorealistic images and they're all the same: so-called perfect body, composition, beauty. There's nothing in the way of different body shapes, diversity in people of colour etc. Simply speaking, AI can be very biased.

Internet Matters have some great, practical advice for parents about self-image, body image and identity which you can find [HERE](#).

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matters.org

Christingle Boxes

Please return your child's Christingle box by Monday 27th January. Thank you in advance for your kind donations.

Coming Up...

On the 29th January, the children have Forest School. Please ensure they wear something warm as we are expecting the weather to be cold.



Celebrations

Our stars of the week are:

Robins Class – Angelo Swallow

Woodpeckers Class – Lydia Blaikie & Truu-Joy Smith-Salisbury

Kingfishers Class – George Richards

Owls Class – Dolcia Tierney & Jonny Sloan

Kites Class – Elliot Pemberton

Eagles Class – Harry Atterbury & Billy Thompson

Well done to all of these children!



Attendance

We are always trying to improve our attendance in school as we know that when children are in school regularly, they can get the most out of their learning. This week our attendance was **95%**

The national attendance was 90%

It can be tricky deciding whether or not to keep your child off school when they're unwell.

There are government guidelines for schools about [managing specific infectious diseases at GOV.UK](#). These say when children should be kept off school and when they shouldn't. The NHS also publish advice for parents and carers which can be found [HERE](#). Please refer to this if you are ever unsure or call the school office

Things you might be interested in...

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK 2025 Explore and Connect

Come and visit the libraries across Northamptonshire to find out about local services and take part in a range of activities!

Rushden Library

Wednesday 19th February 2025
10am - 1pm

We'll have local partners Healthwatch North Northants, Family Hubs, MiniMe Mindfulness & Mindset Coaching, Service Six, Rushden MIND, SEND IASS, and the Active Communities and Active Families Teams joining us on the day!

Book here for the MiniMe Mindfulness & Mindset activities: <https://minime-mindfulness-kim.classforkids.io>
Times: 10.30am - 11am (3 - 5 yrs) and 11.30am - 12pm (5-11yrs)



There will also be free refreshments, games and activities, plus a fun make-and-take children's craft. See you there!



Family Fun

Tuesday 18th February
6.30pm - 9.00pm



The Riverside Hub, 7 Carousel Way, Northampton, NN3 9HG



What's Included:

- SEND and Sensory Room
- Role Play Area & Carousel
- Mini Golf
- Go Karts
- Climbing Wall
- Giant Climbing Frame

communications@bbpcf.org.uk
www.bbpcf.co.uk

To book tickets visit

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/riverside-hub-event-tickets-1152602889269?aff=oddtcreator>

FEBRUARY HOLIDAY CLUB

FEBRUARY 17TH-21ST
8AM - 4PM
LUNCH INCLUDED
UNLIMITED DRINKS
RECEPTION YR - YR8

£25!

DISCOUNTS
SIBLING 10% - SIB10%
4 OR MORE DAYS 20% - MULTI20%



IT'S GAME TIME!

INDOOR FOOTBALL FACILITY
Kingfield Business Park,
Northampton

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK
08:00AM - 10:00PM

MAKE A BOOKING
soccerhack.co.uk



★ Participate in collecting virtual tags through walking, running, cycling, scooting, or rolling in a wheelchair to earn points and steps for your school team.

How To Join

- Install the FREE Street Tag app from PlayStore/AppStore and sign up.
- Enter the valid details to Sign up and click continue.
- Select the School Leaderboard option then click continue.
- Select Bedford Primary Schools Leaderboard, pick your school team and click continue.
- Provide your postcode, gender and date of birth.
- Verify with your Email/Phone number.
- After the verification step, please answer the questionnaire.

PS: Parents can add up to two Child accounts on their Main account.



For Support or Enquiries:
support@streettag.co.uk