



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: 5th September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a wonderful start to the new school year at St Lawrence. The children have settled well into their new classes and have made a great start to their learning. We welcomed the new children into our Reception class Today and they have made a fantastic start to their school journey. I would like to take this opportunity to extend a welcome to our new families that have joined us this year. It is lovely to see new faces and hope you have been made to feel very welcome. We are all looking forward to a great school year ahead and hope this newsletter will keep you updated with everything going on in school.

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.



School Values

This week the children have been reminded about our core values of **Respect, Hope, Perseverance** and **Courage** and how these support us with

'Letting our Light Shine'

This school year our priority is on building resilience for all of our children and hopefully you will have seen the correspondence already sent out regarding this. Please do speak with your child's class teacher if you have any questions about this.

Uniform Donations

We have received lots of very kind donations of school uniform since the children returned to school this week. However, we do not have the space to accept any more donations at this time. If this changes in the future we will let families know.



Safeguarding

The safety and wellbeing of our school community at St Lawrence is a priority. If anyone has any concerns about the safety and welfare of a child, you can speak with Mrs Bush or Mrs Nicklin who are the school safeguarding leads.

Wearing PE kit to school on PE days

This academic year the children need to come to school in their PE kit on their designated PE days. Please remember that children should not wear jewellery including earrings for PE.

Earrings should be removed at home before school.

Monday	Woodpeckers & Eagles
Tuesday	Kites & Eagles
Wednesday	Owls & Kites
Thursday	Owls
Friday	Robins & Woodpeckers

Attendance

Attendance in schools since the pandemic has seen a dramatic drop however we know that face-to-face education is important in helping pupils to fulfil their potential. The government has issued guidance to schools to support in increasing attendance.

The government now class absence from education as a safeguarding concern and request that schools treat it this way which may result in social care involvement where concerns are raised.

If we are concerned about your child's attendance, we will work with you to find out if there is any support that can be offered. Please keep us informed of absences and where planned absences cannot be avoided, please ensure you complete a leave of absence request beforehand. Please note, we cannot authorise any holiday requests unless there are extenuating circumstances.

Thank you for your support.

Attendance Matters



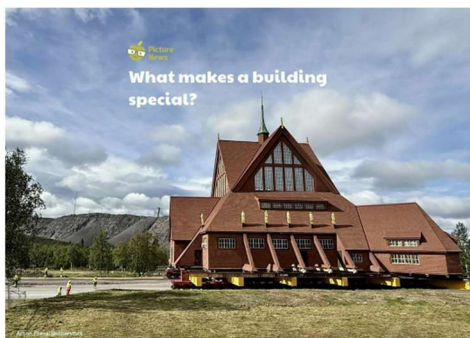
Every Day Counts....

Picture News

The story and question that the children will be thinking about next week is...

A church in Kiruna, which is one of Sweden's largest wooden buildings, has been carefully moved to a new location.

Question: What makes a building special?



Bikeability – Y5

Y5 children have the opportunity to take part in Bikeability Level 2 w/c 22nd September. If you would like your child to participate, please make sure you return your consent form by Monday 8th September. If you require a form, please speak to Mrs Knight (Y5 Class Teacher) or Mrs Blackburn (Office Manager).



Y6 Bletchley Park Trip

Y6 children will be visiting Bletchley Park Museum on the 26th September for a school trip on WW2 Codebreakers. If you would like your child to attend, please ensure you log into ParentMail to pay for the trip and provide online consent by the 15th September.

