



# 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: 9<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,  
Happy New Year! I hope you all enjoyed a relaxing break over the festive period and managed to spend time with family and friends. It has been wonderful to be back at school with the children this week and seeing how well they have settled back to the new school term. Behaviour has been exemplary and all classes have started the year well with their new topics. You can find the topic overviews on the class pages of the school website and they were emailed out to you yesterday.

Today we held our Christingle service in school. Your child will bring home a Christingle box with them following the service. If able, please donate some loose coins to the Children's Society. The boxes should be returned to school by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> January. 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 (Woodpeckers Class)

Behaviour – Mrs Smith (Robins Class)

Safeguarding – Mrs Bush or Mrs Nicklin



## Picture News



Famous online creators have come together at the 1 Billion Followers Summit in Dubai to talk about how their influence affects people around the world.

**Question:** Can famous people help others make good choices?

## St Lawrence Vision and Values

This half term our value is:

**Perseverance.** Throughout the half term, the children will be thinking about keeping going against all odds, doing the right thing, meeting a personal challenge and how they can encourage others to keep going.

*"Let us run with perseverance the race that lies before us. Let us keep our eyes fixed on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from beginning to end." Hebrews 12: 1-2*



## We need your help...

The spring term is a good time to reflect on our practise and gain feedback from everyone involved with the school. We value your feedback as a tool for improvement and hope that your views can be used constructively to improve outcomes for your children at St Lawrence Primary School. Over the next couple of months there will be a number of surveys that will be sent home for your consideration. Please take some time to give us your views and make any suggestions for improvement.

Results of these surveys will be shared with you in due course.

Thank you in advance for your time.



## Dates for your Diary

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

## Celebrations

The children that have let their light shine this week and have been chosen as our stars are:

**Robins Class:** Daisy Mpasu

**Woodpeckers Class:** Charlie Hornibrook & Rosie Corp

**Owls Class:** Oliver Hornibrook & Lawney Hughes

**Kites Class:** Laura Kurilecova & Stanley Jones

**Eagles Class:** Finley Grzyb

Well done to all of these children!



## Christingle Celebration

Thank you for sending an orange in for your child today to create a Christingle. The service was truly magical. Today the children will have come home with a Christingle box. These are to collect donations in for the Children's Society to support those children that are in need. If you have any spare change that you could donate, it would be much appreciated. The boxes will be collected by Reverend Peter at the end of January. Please return your box to school by Monday 26th January. Thank you for your support.



## Christingle at St Lawrence...



Things you might be interested in....



**Community VOICE**

**SAFER STREETS**   **CHILD EXPLOITATION**   **KNIFE CRIME**  
**GANGS**   **COUNTY LINES**   **YOUTH SAFETY**

Do you know a young person who might be at risk?  
Are you a parent, carer, or concerned citizen?  
Want to help make a real difference in your community?

**HELP SHAPE YOUR COMMUNITY!**

From Jan-Mar 2026, join our pilot project and share your ideas about improving our community & to keep Bedford safe! Have your say and help us bridge the gap between young people, the community and local services.  
**Scan the QR code or email us to get involved!**

**WE WANT YOUR OPINION**

Scan Me!



Join Us!  
5.30pm - 7.30pm  
\*times and locations may vary

**WE WILL MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD**  
outreach@everyonesgang.co.uk

15th Jan 26  
2nd Jan 26\*  
29th Jan 26\*  
7th Feb 26  
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26th Feb 26\*  
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18th Mar 26



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**SESSIONS**  
Saturday 17th January 2026  
11:00am  
then every Saturday thereafter



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8:10's Tuesday 6.30-8.00pm



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