



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: 17th April 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new school term! I hope you all enjoyed a relaxing break over the Easter period and are ready for a wonderful start to the summer term. It has been great 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 term well with their new topics. You can find the topic overviews on the class pages of the school website. They were also sent out via email.

The summer term is notoriously busy as we launch into a season of enjoying the great outdoors and hopefully getting the children out and about on school trips and local walks. Letters will come out for these so please make sure you read them carefully as they will contain a lot of information. We look forward to being able to welcome you to the numerous events that we have planned throughout the term. These can all be found on the calendar on the school website. 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



St Lawrence School Values

This half term our value is Hope. During collective worship, the children will be thinking about having hope for the future, praising God in creation, counting our blessings and keeping going against the odds.

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit". **Romans 15:13**



Dates for your Diary

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

Rocksteady at St Lawrence School

We are delighted to be welcoming Rocksteady into school this term. There is still time to sign up. If your child is interested in taking part scan the QR code below!

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98%

**OF PARENTS SAY
THEIR CHILD LOVES OR
ENJOYS ROCKSTEADY
BAND LESSONS**



94%

**OF PARENTS SAY
ROCKSTEADY
IMPROVES THEIR
CHILD'S CONFIDENCE**



0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 8am-8pm, Fri 8am-6pm, local rate)

rocksteadymusicschool.com

Reminder...

As the better weather arrives, please ensure all of your child's uniform is named so that we can return it to its rightful owner should it be lost.

A reminder that children should be wearing black school shoes to school and not trainers (except on PE days).

We have noticed a number of pairs of trainers appearing.

Please also ensure that your child only brings water in their water bottle. Spillages of squash become very messy and sticky!



Voice 21 Conversation Starter...

What is the hardest thing to do?



A Big Thank You!!

thank you to everyone who bought cakes on the last Friday of term. Owls class raised £130 for sponsoring part of the Rainforest. They were very excited and very proud of their achievements.

Celebrations

This week our Attendance Awards go to Reception Class with 99% attendance.

Our Stars of the week are.....

Robins Class – Liam Tucin

Woodpeckers Class – Jessie Wilson and Ronnie Wardrop

Owls Class – Jessica Phillips

Kites Class – Fallon Taylor

Eagles Class – Katie Phillips

Well done to all of these children!



PTA Easter Craft Competition Winners!!

Thank you to everyone that entered the PTA Easter Craft competition. All the money raised will help to fund extra resources and treats for the children in school! Here are the winners!



Picture News

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

82-year-old runner, Eileen Hieron, is about to run the London Marathon, showing that age hasn't stopped her trying something new.

Question: Is it ever too late to try something new?



Break Time Snacks...

If your child is bringing in a snack for breaktime, please ensure that it is a piece of fruit or a packet of dried fruit. There should not be any cereal bars or packets of crisps consumed at break time.

Many thanks for your support with this.



You might be interested in....

Kinewell Lake Trust

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2026

Muddy Meander - lake side walk & story	0-5s	8th April	10am
Balsam bashing & litter picking	All ages	9th May	10 am
Muddy Meander - lake side walk & scavenger hunt	0-5s	13th May	10am
Muddy Meander - lake side walk & den building	0-5s	10th June	10am
Fairy & Elf lake side procession & crafts	5-10	21st June	10 am
Muddy Meander - lake side walk & teddy bears picnic	0-5s	8th July	10am
Balsam bashing & litter picking	All ages	11th July	10 am
Muddy Meander - lake side walk & pond dipping	0-5s	12th Aug	10am
Bat Walk: lakes side walk & bat detecting	8+	28th Aug	8pm
Muddy Meander: lake side walk & bug house building	0-5s	9th Sept	10am
Muddy Meander - lake side walk & autumnal craft	0-5s	14th Oct	10am
Autumn Nature Walk with bark & leaf rubbings	5-10s	30th Oct	10 am
Muddy Meander - Lake side walk & den building	0-5s	11 Nov	10am
Muddy Meander: bug bugs and lovely bugs	5-10s	9 Dec	10 am
Mid winter walk & carols around the fire pit	All ages	21st Dec	3pm



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SESSIONS

Saturday 25th April 2026
11:00am
then every Saturday thereafter

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