



# 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: 18<sup>th</sup> September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a busy week at St Lawrence. On Wednesday we invited a photographer into school to take some photos of all the great things we do in school. She was very complementary and impressed with the children's behaviour and general conduct around school. Well done everyone! We will be updating the school website as soon as we have the photos sent through. Next week, Year 5 have Bikeability on Monday and Tuesday. Please ensure your child comes to school with everything they need if they are taking part in this. Please do not forget helmets as the children are not allowed to take part if they do not have one. 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



## 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 half term the value is **Generosity**.

This week the children thought about Loving others as we love ourselves. They talked about the importance of sharing their gifts and being generous with their time.

*"Love your neighbour as yourself." Mark 12:31*



## Wonderful News!

We are delighted to share that Mrs Heathfield has welcomed baby Lily into the world. We're sure you'll join us in sending our warmest congratulations and very best wishes to Mrs Heathfield and her family at this special time.

## 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.



Bedford Borough  
Safeguarding Children Board

## Picture Picture News

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

Nepal has announced that its wild tiger population has more than tripled, rising from 121 tigers in 2010, to 429 today.

**Question:** Do wild animals have as much right to the land as we do?



## Celebrations

Our Stars of the week are..

Penguins Class – Freya Ebsworth & Rocco Swallow

Kingfishers Class – Amelia Southcombe & Amiyah Stevens

Kites Class – Elsie Swallow & Jessica Phillips

Eagles Class – Emilia Keightley & Laura Kurilecova

Well done to all of these children!



## Online Safety - Find the Fake

**How good are you and your children at spotting misinformation?**

Internet Matters' free **Find the Fake** activity is designed for families to try together. It's a simple way to start conversations about whether something online can be trusted and what children can do before believing or sharing it.

Why not try it together and see who gets the highest score?

Link: [Find the Fake – Internet Matters](#)



## 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



## Open Mornings

During the autumn term we hold our prospective parents open mornings. These are popular with parents looking for a school place for their child to start school the following September. Our open mornings are popular and it is wonderful to show prospective parents our amazing school however,

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Please share this flyer and our social media posts with anyone you know that might be looking for a school place for September 2027 and please shout from the rooftops about how wonderful our school is. It is word of mouth that makes all the difference. We need to encourage families from the surrounding areas to come and see how great St Lawrence is. So, please do your bit and tell everyone about us. Thank you for your continued support.



## ST LAWRENCE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

“” let your light shine” Matthew 5:14 -16

# OPEN MORNINGS

For children starting reception  
class in September 2027

Come and see our wonderful  
school in action.



**Wednesday  
21 October &  
Monday  
16 November**

**09:30 AM**

Manor Lane, Wymington,  
NN10 9LL

- ✓ Tour the school
- ✓ Meet teachers
- ✓ Ask questions



For more info:

**01933 353530**

[admin@st-lawrenceschool.co.uk](mailto:admin@st-lawrenceschool.co.uk)



Book your place by  
scanning the QR code



## This week at St Lawrence....

Eagles Class were trained in how to be effective Young Leaders. We were visited by Bedford Sports Partnership who spent time with the children teaching them the skills and strategies required for being a positive leader. The Year 6 children will now use these skills whilst carrying out duties at break and lunchtimes with the younger children. Thank you to Kites class for acting as our 'guinea pigs' while we tried out some activities.



Kites Class have been recycling officers, investigating the properties of different materials. They used magnets, electrical circuits and pipettes to investigate.

