



# St. Laurence Primary Newsletter

Summer Term

22nd May 2020

## Our School

### Gospel Values

2019 - 2020

Community

Hope

Thankfulness

Forgiveness

Respect

Justice

## Classes

Robins **R**  
Mrs. Harvey and  
Mrs. Bennett  
Wrens  
Ms. Bairos

Kingfishers **Yr**  
Mrs. Chalklin **1/2**  
(KSI Leader)  
Skylarks  
Miss Tanvir  
Nightingales  
Miss Campbell

Quails **Yr**  
Miss Jeavons **3/4**  
Doves  
Mr. Fitt  
Swallows  
Miss Corcoran

Magpies **Yr**  
Mr Jiggins **5/6**  
Owls  
Miss Kelly  
Kestrels  
Mr. Pepper

### Mental Health Awareness Week

This week is Mental Health Awareness Week, which focuses on the power and potential of kindness. Research shows that kindness is an antidote to isolation; it helps to reduce stress, deepens our relationships and creates a sense of safety and belonging.

As we know, kindness is contagious! One act of kindness can lead to many more. We would love to receive any photos or comments from home with examples of acts of kindness our children have carried out or received. We are sure we will be overwhelmed by the collective power of kindness and this would be a great start to the new half term

Best Wishes,  
Mrs Bennett and Mrs Harvey



"Nothing beats kindness," said the horse. "It sits quietly beyond all things."

Reflection:  
As one of the characters in Charlie Mackesy's beautiful book "The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse" says: "Nothing beats kindness. It sits quietly beyond all things."

We have all seen many examples of extraordinary acts of kindness and generosity in our communities throughout the pandemic

### Home School Learning

During "term time" your child's class teacher has been sending out home learning activities to support your child's learning at home.

During the week of the half term holiday there will be no set work from the school. Please take this time to focus on you and your family and enjoy your time together.



### School Communication

Please remember that the school office is currently closed to parents.

Mrs Taylor and her staff are ensuring that all communication is answered via the school email account:

[office@stlaurence.cambs.sch.uk](mailto:office@stlaurence.cambs.sch.uk)

We would like to extend our thanks to the school office team for keeping the contact and communication between school and home flowing.



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### Ascension Reflection

This Thursday marked the feast of the Ascension, or when Jesus rose into Heaven after his 40 days on Earth following His Resurrection. His disciples had gone through emotional turmoil seeing their friend, leader and Lord crucified on Good Friday before seeing Him alive again.... And now He was leaving....again?!

These themes of love, loss and confusion have probably become more familiar to many of us in the last couple of months. We are confused, workplaces are confused and children are confused: what's happening? Who should we be listening to? When will we be going back to normal? When can we see our friends? We might be battling grief through loss of friends or loved ones, not being able to get to Mass, or even just the loss of 'normal' life and some peace!

But what we have learnt over these past couple of months is that love really does form the foundation of our lives. So even though it might feel for some as though Jesus has abandoned the world to darkness and sickness, just as the disciples might have felt as they watched Him ascending to Heaven, we must take this opportunity to look to the Heavens and put our trust and hope in his everlasting goodness.



### Red Cross Kindness Calendar

As the UK faces a global coronavirus pandemic, things can feel a little uncertain and even overwhelming. But, during these difficult times, one thing is clear: small acts of kindness make a big difference.

Across the country, there has been an outpouring of kindness and children and young people can play their role too. By understanding what we can all do to help tackle this virus, they will gain a sense of stability and resilience.

The power of kindness calendar is attached to this newsletter and will help children and young people learn about and carry out kind acts.

