



St. Laurence Primary Newsletter

Spring Term 1

12th January 2018

Our School

Gospel Values

Responsibility

Community

Thankfulness

Compassion

Wisdom

Respect

Classes

Robins **R**
Mrs. Harvey
(Deputy Head Pastoral)
Wrens
Miss. Campbell

Kingfishers **Yr**
Mrs. Chalklin **1/2**
(KSI Leader)
Skylarks
Mrs. Pass
Nightingales
Ms. Bairos

Quails **Yr**
Mrs. d'Armada and **3/4**
Mrs. Bennett
(Deputy Head Teaching
& Learning)
Doves
Mr. Jiggins
Swallows
Miss Corcoran

Magpies **Yr**
Miss Kelly **5**
Owls
Mr. Fitt

Eagles **Yr**
Mr. Pepper **6**

happy new year

Welcome back to a brand new year! We hope you had a relaxing and restorative Christmas and are ready for the term ahead. All members of the staff would like to pass on their thanks for the kind gifts and messages they received for Christmas, which were very much appreciated.

School Grounds

Although it may be a struggle to think about Spring in the recent gloomy weather, we must be forward thinking!

In mind of this can we please ask you to be careful to not walk on the grass at the front of school. It is becoming very muddy and water logged. Please use the paths provided.



Reception Garden Area

The Robin and Wren children are hoping to improve their garden area by planting some vegetables. If you have any cuttings or spare seeds they would be happy for the donations.



Refurbishment of Former Caretaker House

You may well notice building contractors on the school site from Monday 22nd January. This is because work to refurbish and repair the former caretaker house is starting and is scheduled to be completed by the end of term. The costs of the refurbishment work is being met largely by the Diocese with a contribution also made by school.

Although all works are taking place well away from the main school building, we are of course working closely with the contractors, the Diocese and the Local Authority to minimise any possible disruption and ensure the highest standards of Health and Safety.

If you have any queries or concerns please contact the school office or Mrs Clark to discuss.



Road Safety

Update on the zebra crossing closure.

The crossing will remain closed (for safety reasons) for the next couple of weeks due to roadworks. Please do not use this crossing, we recommend using the Pelican crossing further along opposite our carpark.

It has also been brought to our notice that Parents are parking on the cycle path outside the school to drop their children off in the morning. Please do not do this, it is dangerous for the children and inconsiderate for other road users.



Start of Day

To ensure a calm and purposeful start to the school day, children are able to arrive in their classrooms from 8.55am for learning to begin. As routines are now well established we ask parents to support their children by allowing them to enter their class and cloakroom independently

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Phonics morning

Key Stage One parents were invited into their children's classes this week to experience the games and learning fun the children have during their phonic sessions! It was hoped that the morning would give parents support and guidance on how to help their children's reading practice at home.



Emotional Wellbeing Day



To get our Spring Term off to a positive start after a lovely Christmas holiday, the whole school spent the first few days focusing on our Mental Health and Well being. We concentrated on the 5 areas that support positive Mental Health - Connections, Being Active, Taking Notice, Learning and Giving. The children took part in a range of different activities including a dance workshop with Urban Strides and a whole school daily mile walk - which we hope to continue throughout the term. Please look out for the leaflet from the Anna Freud Centre with ideas on how you can support your child's emotional wellbeing.

Top Attendance Awards

**Congratulations to the following
classes who made it to the top of
the attendance tree!**

1st - Skylarks with 98.3%

2nd - Nightingales with 97.8%

3rd - Quails with 96.1%



Tuesday 30th Jan: Nightingales Class Assembly
Friday 2nd Feb: PTA Cake Sale
Tuesday 6th Feb: Kingfishers Class Assembly
Thursday 8th Feb: Parents Coffee Morning
Monday 12th Feb: Half Term
Tuesday 27th Feb: Magpies Class Assembly
Friday 2nd March: World Book Day
Tuesday 6th March: Parent Consultations
Wednesday 7th March: Parent Consultations