



**St Laurence's Catholic Primary School
Newsletter**

Friday 10th February 2017

'Developing our gifts and talents for the good of all'

It's good to be green!

Our attendance for last week was 97.2%. We need to continue trying to get in every day to make sure our learning is taking place. Please try to get your child in on time for school every day as every minute counts!!

Green (G) = 97%+, Amber (A) = 95% or 96%, Red (R) = Less than 95%

RS:%	1S%	2S:%	3S:%	4S:%	5S:%	6S:%	Whole School
95.2%	95.8%	96.7%	98.9%	96.8%	100%	100%	
AMBER	AMBER	AMBER	GREEN	AMBER	GREEN	GREEN	
RL:%	1L:%	2L:%	3L:%	4L:%	5L:%	6L:%	97.2%
90.4%	97.7%	97.4%	98.7%	96.2%	97.6%	99.2%	GREEN
RED	GREEN	GREEN	GREEN	AMBER	GREEN	GREEN	

Mrs McConnell

It is with great regret that we write to inform you that our Headteacher Mrs McConnell has taken the heavy decision to resign her post as Headteacher of the school. Mrs McConnell has been absent due to illness since November and has made the difficult decision to step down. Accompanying this letter tonight is an explanation from our chair of governors. We wish her a speedy recovery and wish her well for her future career.

Mornings

We would ask if all parents could leave their children at the middle section of the playground of a morning - this is for safeguarding reasons. If you need to speak to your child's class teacher please come round to the office and a member of staff will get them for you.

Candlemas

Our Year 4 children will be presented to the parish on Sunday 12th February at 11am mass. We ask that **ALL** children arrive at church no later than 10.40am in FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM. We are fortunate to have Bishop Tom Williams celebrating the mass with us. This will be a lovely occasion which we hope you are able to attend.

Mr Davies

Unfortunately Mr Davies will be leaving us at Easter to work at Central Primary School. Mr Davies has worked in our school for 7 years and has been a wonderful servant to the school and the community. We all wish him well with his new class and hope he will come back to visit us. We will miss him greatly.

Holiday Club

There will be a holiday club running in our school over the February half term for three days. This will run on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. If you would like to register your child for a place please fill in the form available from the office.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Car Park and Parking</u></p> <p>Can we please request that parents DO NOT enter the staff car park at anytime as we have a number of van deliveries during the day who have been unable to come in to drop off their deliveries. We also want to protect our children from any accidents.</p> <p>We also politely request that you are careful when dropping off your children of a morning and be mindful of residents that live in and around the school area - as the last thing we want is an accident happening to one of our children.</p> <p>Your support in this matter would be greatly appreciated.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Family Night</u></p> <p>Our Family Nights will be continuing after half term on a Wednesday night. This is an opportunity for parents to spend some time with their children playing board games, table tennis and joining in with activities in the sports hall. It starts at 5.30pm and finishes at 7.00pm. Why not give it a try? After half term we will be changing the format of our family night to more physical activities.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Red Nose Day</u></p> <p>We will be celebrating Red Nose Day this year on 24th March. This will be a non uniform day and if possible we would like the children to dress up in red. Any donations of 50p will be given to charity. Children can purchase red noses from the office or their class teacher for £1.00.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>World Book Day</u></p> <p>World Book Day this year will take place on the 2nd March. As a school we are NOT asking children to dress up this year. We would like them to bring in their favourite book to share and read with others in the class. Each child will also receive a book voucher to spend.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Swimming</u></p> <p>Class 5S begin their swimming sessions after half term at Kirkby Leisure Centre. Children will need their swimming kit, a towel and goggles if needed. Children should not bring in talc or deodorant as this can lead to asthma problems. Girls are also required to wear a swimming cap. These can be purchased from the school office for £1.50. The class will be swimming for 2 weeks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>After School Club</u></p> <p>Just a polite reminder that our after school club closes at 5.15pm Monday - Thursday and at 4.45pm on a Friday evening.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>GB Athlete visit</u></p> <p>We were very privileged to have Lee Whitely, the Paralympic Athlete, visit us this week. The children completed a circuit with Lee and were able to ask him questions about his amazing abilities.</p> <p>We ask if all sponsor money and forms could be returned to school after the holiday. Thank you for your help in this matter.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Dinners</u></p> <p>Any children wanting to change their lunches for after half term please let the office know as soon as possible.</p> <p>We also request that any outstanding lunch balances that are owed be paid as soon as possible.</p>

Extra Curricular Clubs

Clubs will continue after half term EXCEPT CHANGE4LIFE as Mr Cushion is away with our Year 6 children at Colomendy.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 21st February Year 5 Football game against Parkbrow
Monday 20th February Class 5S begin their swimming lessons
Wednesday 22nd February Kirkby Football league at Kirkby High
Friday 24th February Healthy Eating for Key Stage 1 children and parents

To all our children and families... Have a lovely weekend.
Miss Carroll and all the staff of St Laurence's School

