



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

Monday 6th February 2017

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

It's good to be green!

Our attendance for last week was 94.9%. 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
88.0%	98.3%	99.2%	96.8%	92%	96.8%	90.4%	
RED	GREEN	GREEN	AMBER	RED	AMBER	RED	
RL:%	1L:%	2L:%	3L:%	4L:%	5L:%	6L:%	96.2%
88.8%	93.8%	99.1%	96.7%	99.2%	91.2%	98.4%	AMBER
RED	RED	GREEN	AMBER	GREEN	RED	GREEN	

Ofsted

I would like to say Thank you to all of the parents who completed the online questionnaire last week as part of our Ofsted inspection. The inspectors were overwhelmed with the number of responses - which at the end of the inspection was 116. This is the largest number the Lead Inspector has had on any of her inspections. We await the final report which will be published in a few weeks time. Thank you also to those who have expressed their kind words during the week to myself and lots of the teachers - we really appreciate it. We all want the best for all of children and will continue to work together in achieving this.

Mornings

Now that we are in to our second term in school 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.

Car Park

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 delivery. We also want to protect our children from any accidents. Your support in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

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 that accompanied last week's newsletter or call into the office to collect one.

Reception Stay and Read

Parents are welcome to come in and read with their children for 20 minutes maximum on the following dates. **Tuesday 7th, Wednesday 8th and Thursday 9th February at 8.50am until 9.15am.** You may bring in your child's bookbag or we will supply an appropriate reading book.

Swimming

Class 3L begin their swimming sessions this week 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 1 week.

After School Club

Just a polite reminder that our after school club closes at 5.15pm Monday - Thursday and at 4.45pm on a Friday evening.

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.

Family Night

Our Family Nights will be continuing next week on **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?

<p 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 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 align="center"><u>Sacramental Celebrations</u></p> <p>We now have dates for our sacramental celebrations of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Our Year 4 children will be celebrating their Reconciliation on Thursday 9th February at 2.00pm and their First Holy Communion on Saturday 20th May at 11.00am. Both of these celebrations will take place in St Joseph and St Laurence's church. We hope you will be able to join us for these lovely celebrations. The children will be attending church to complete practices for their sacraments this week during the afternoon.</p>	<p 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. We also request that any outstanding lunch balances that are owed be paid before we break up next Friday.</p>
<p align="center"><u>GB Athlete visit</u></p> <p>We are very lucky to have been selected to receive a sponsored visit from a Paralympic Athlete. The athlete will be visiting the school on Wednesday 8th February for the full day. During the day the children will be taking part in a sponsored circuit. Please complete any sponsor forms and return to school as soon as possible. We hope the children will enjoy this fantastic opportunity to meet a Paralympic Athlete.</p>	<p align="center"><u>Waste Free Lunch</u></p> <p>Our Eco Club children are asking that everyone has a waste free lunch this Friday. Mr Biggs has spoken to the children this morning in assembly giving them examples of how they can do this. A waste free lunch consists of no packaging around food - e.g plastic bags, tin foil etc. The class with the least points will win a trophy to show they are the most efficient 'Eco Class' across the school.</p>

Extra Curricular Clubs

Please find attached our timetable for next week's clubs. Children need to be collected from the exit points explained below. Please note clubs for RECEPTION children will start in the Summer Term.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.15 Hockey - Key Stage 2 3.15 High Fives - Year 5/6 (Collect at Breakfast Club door) 3.15 Eco Club - KS1 (Maximum 20 pupils) (Collect at red side doors) 3.15 Eco Club - KS2 (Maximum 20 pupils) (Collect at red side doors)	8.15 Dodgeball - Key Stage 2 12.30 Cross Country Year 5/6 3.15 Change4Life - Year One (Collect at Breakfast Club door) 3.15 Chess - KS2 (Collect from Mrs Phillips class) 3.15 Girls Football (Collect at red side doors) 3.15 Year 3/4 Football (Collect at red side doors)	12.30 Cross Country Year 3/4 3.15pm Dance - Years 1 and 2 (Maximum 20 pupils) (Collect at red side doors)	12.30 Cross Country Year 5/6 3.15 Performing Arts - Year 4-6 (Maximum 20 pupils) (Collect at red side doors) 3.15 Year 5/6 Football (Collect at red side doors) 3.15 Arts and Crafts - Years 1 and 2 (Maximum 20 pupils) (Collect at Breakfast Club door)	3.15 Sign Language - KS2 (Collect from Mrs Phillips class) 3.15 Change4Life - Year Two (Collect at red side doors) 3.15 Dance - KS2 (Maximum 20 pupils) (Collect at red side doors)

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 7th February Safer Internet Day
 Friday 10th February Break up for half term at 3.15pm.

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

