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| **St Laurence’s Catholic Primary School****Newsletter**Friday 30th June 2023 |
| ***‘****Developing our gifts and talents for the good of all’*

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| **It’s good to be green!****Our target for this academic year is 96.5%.****Our attendance for this week was 94.1% which is low – please try to send your child in to school each day. Thank you to everyone who made a huge effort to get children into school on time and smartly dressed in their uniform. Let’s try for an improvement after half term! 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%

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| **RL:%****92.8%****RED** | **1L:%****91.2%****RED**  | **2L:%****95.8%****AMBER** | **3L:%****93.8%****RED**  | **4L:%****94%****RED**  | **5L:%****93.6%****RED** | **6L:%****94.4%****RED** | **94.1%****RED** |

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|  **Attendance moving forwards**At St Laurence’s we believe that excellent attendance is essential to support your child’s development in all areas. We realise that sometimes children will be sick and need to stay off and ask that you always communicate any absence with us. However, we are working closely with the school attendance service to raise the attendance of all pupil’s particularly those who have attendance of less than 90%, who are considered to be persistent absentees. We regularly liaise with parents regarding attendance letters via phone calls, letters and meetings. Moving forward as a school we will be issuing Fixed Penalty notices for cases where there are repeated unauthorised absences. Examples of unauthorised absences are holidays in term time, odd days off without explanation and birthdays**. ANY** absence for those pupils whose attendance is less than 90% would require medical evidence in order for us to authorise the absence.Once a Fixed penalty warning letter is issued, any further unauthorised absences may result in a fine being issued. |
| **Value of the Month**During the month of July, we will be exploring the value of RESPECT. The children will look at how they can show respect for others, the environment and themselves. We will also be making pledges as part our work towards the Live Simply Award.   | **Class 5L Swimming**Class 5L continue their swimming lessons next week. Please ensure your child has their kit in Monday-Thursday each week. Suitable shorts, costume and towel will be needed. Those children with long hair will need to have a swimming cap.  |
| **Sports News**Well done to our Walter Tomlinson footballers who narrowly got beat in the final on Saturday. The boys were a credit to the school and their families for their determination and resilience. Well done also to our football team who got down to the last 16 of the Merseyside cup. They played in Skelmersdale on Tuesday night and were beaten by a fluke goal.  |
| **Parking** Please be aware of where you are parking your car. Please be mindful of residents and their driveways – if possible, park at the rear of the school. Our figures are placed outside school to remind you of parking zones and the council have sent each school parking banners reminding parents not to drop off or park outside school zones. This is particularly important on Wellfield Avenue. DO NOT PARK ON THE YELLOW ZIG ZAG LINES AS THIS MAY RESULT IN A FINE.DO NOT MOUNT THE KERB AND RUIN THE GRASS AREAS.  | **Dogs on school grounds**We would appreciate your support in not bringing dogs on to the school premises as they are **NOT** allowed on any schools premises within Knowsley, unless for specific reasons or guide dogs. This is to protect our children and staff from any attacks or angry dogs. If you need your child to be brought out to you because you have your dog please telephone the school office and we will do this. Your support is really appreciated with this. |
| **Virtual Science Clubs**Please see below for our home science investigations that you can at home, using resources that can be mostly found in and around the home. This has been set up by Mr Biggs. You can then share your investigations with us via our school twitter page or emailing in your videos and pictures to our school email address. \*Force full comb investigation (magnetism focus)\*Soap Sculptures (properties of materials focus)\*Spinning Eggs (forces focus)\*Sew an Ice cube (properties of materials focus)All information is on our website, including the links you will need for the resources. We look forward to hearing about your creations! |
|  **Uniform**All our children looked extremely smart every day, thank you for this. Please help us to maintain this high standard by ensuring your child comes to school in their full uniform. Can you also help us by making sure your child’s name is in ALL their uniform? Children are requested to wear the following – please ensure that they follow these rules for uniform: **Boys:** Shorts/Trousers, shirt, tie, jumper, **black school shoes (no trainers or pumps) during the WINTER MONTHS**During the summer boys may wear a white polo shirt with shorts and jumper or the above**.** **Girls:** school skirt or pinafore, shirt, tie, jumper or cardigan, **black school shoes (no trainers or pumps)** **during the WINTER MONTHS**During the summer girls may wear a green or yellow summer dress with jumper/cardigan or the above**.** **Book bags:** All children are expected to have a school book bag to transport any letters, books or homework in. These will remain in school unless something needs to be sent home. **PE Kits** PE kits can be worn to school on a child’s PE day. Other days - uniform MUST be worn. Our PE kit is a white t-shirt and green shorts. Black leggings/jogging bottoms may also be worn over shorts to keep children warm. Pumps or trainers may also be worn on these days only. **Boys and Girls School PE kits:** White PE shirt with the school emblem, green shorts, black pumps or trainers |
| **Appointments**Just a reminder that if you have an appointment for your child we need to see proof of this with a card, letter or email message. Your support with this would be greatly appreciated. |
| **Nursery Fun Day**Our Nursery children are hahving their Fun Day on Thursday of next week. This will involve a bouncy castle and some other treats for the children. Cost is £12 for AM/PM session children and £15 for All day children. We hope they have a fabulous day.  |
|  **Fundraising for School resources**Over the coming weeks we will be completing a range of fundraising activities to raise much needed funds for our school. As you will know schools around the country are facing challenging times due to cuts by the government – our school is also one of these. Our next whole school event is Ice Pop Friday on Friday 7th July. Children can buy an ice pop for 50p on this day in school. **Fundraising for School resources – Year 2 Stay Late night**Our Year 2 children are offered the opportunity to stay late after school on Friday night for games and their tea. Children will be given snacks, play games, their tea and watch a movie -if time. Cost is £3.00 and pick up is at 6pm. Names need to be given to the office.  | **Year 6 visit to Ormside**Our Years 6 children will be visiting Ormside this week for their residential. Mr Biggs’ class will go Monday to Wednesday and Mr Grant’s class will go Wednesday to Friday. We hope the children enjoy all of the activities that have been planned for them. Can we politely ask that any medication is clearly labelled with yourn child’s name, with instructions for times etc and passed to a member of staff. |
| **Kirkby Child**Lots of our children have shown different values over the past few weeks. They have been nominated by their teachers as winners of our Kirkby Child certificates. The agreed set of values for all schools in Kirkby are: \*Respectful \*Honest and truthful \*Positive attitude \*Resilient \*Confident \*Good communicator \*Polite \*Committed and hardworking \* Aspirational and ambitiousWell done to the following children who have won certificates this week: Nursery – Star Balmer (Hardworking)RS – Nancy Walsh (Resilience)RL - Tyler Greaves (Committed and Hardworking)1S – Daniel Powell (Polite)1L – Joel Jevons (Positive Attitude)2S – Lottie Lou Cruickshanks (Polite)2L – Kendall Hamid (Positive Attitude)3S – Reuben Croxford (Hardworking)3L – Harvey Peters Williams (Confident)4S – Olivia Smith (Honest and Polite)4L – Jessie Pinnington Sharkey (Honest and Truthful) 5S – Summer Bromilow (Respectful)5L – Crystal Harrickie (Positive Attitude)  |
| **Gallery visits**We are so lucky to have within our own community a gallery that we are able to visit to see amazing pieces of work. The most recent exhibition contains some of our own children’s pieces of work. Our classes over the coming weeks will be visiting on the following dates to see their classmates and peers work. Monday 3rd July – Class 1S | **Merseyside Police Workshops**We have arranged for Merseyside Police to come into school to work with our Year 2 and Year 5 children. Wednesday – Year 2 will be doing finger printingThursday – Year 5 session |
| **Trips**We have arranged the trips below for our children in the following year groups: \*Nursery fun day £12 (AM/PM) £15 all day 6th July \*Reception - Formby Beach Cost £10\*Year 4 - Martin Mere Cost TBC 12th July  |
| **Pupils fundraising** One of our Year 6 children, Thomas McGrath is fundraising for the Little Princess Trust. He has been growing his hair since the age of 8 and on 1st July will be getting his hair cut and donating it to the charity. His family have set up a Just Giving page and we are also collecting any donations in school. Please help to support Thomas with his amazing act of kindness.  |
| C:\Users\carrollsj\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\R1W79MWH\Award_star_(gold)[1].png**Stars of the Week**Nursery – Fredi Brown RS – Lacey Mae Croxford RL - Esme Hedges 1S – Hunter Arnold 1L – Connie Richards 2S – Carter Roe 2L – Amiyah Okarode3S – Harper Farish 3L – Maggie Craig C:\Users\carrollsj\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\R1W79MWH\Award_star_(gold)[1].png 4S – Darcie Bulger 4L – Kai Instone  5S – Kai Malam 5L – Jessica Daly   |
| C:\Users\carrollsj\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\R1W79MWH\Award_star_(gold)[1].png**English and Maths Stars of the Week** RS – English: Ollie Garcia Maths: Logan Tinsley RL – English: Jaxx James Siner Maths: Jacob Ventre 1S – English: Alex Tidmarsh Maths: Leo Hackney  1L: English: Kody Marsden Maths: Hallee Marr 2S – English: Hayzel Townsend Maths: Albie Molyneux 2L – English: Destiny Barker Maths: Lewis Slade 3S – English: Heidi Devine Maths: Jamie Dumbell 3L – English: Frankie Flaherty Maths: Lorenzo Cortez 4S – English: Eddie Wilson Maths: Lily Mae Lamont  4L – English: Sonny Richards Maths: All of Class 4L 5S – English: Raegan Whiteside Maths: George O’Sullivan 5L – English: Caleb Burke Maths: Logan Martin   |

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| **Dates for your diary****Monday 3rd July** – Class 6S Ormside trip, Class 1S visit gallery**Wednesday 5th July** – Class 6L Ormside trip, Merseyside Police workshop Year 2**Thursday 6th July** – Nursery Fun Day, Merseyside Police workshop Year 5**Friday 7th July** – Ice pop Friday (50p), Reception Trip to Formby Beach, All Saints Year 5 Fun day, Year 2 late  night stay**Monday 10th July** – Nursery Teddy Bears picnic**Tuesday 11th July** – School transition afternoon , Class 4S Parents Evening 3.30pm till 5pm**Wednesday 12th July** – Year 4 trip to Martin Mere, KS1 Awards Assembly 9.30am, KS2 Awards Assembly 2pm,  Open Art Exhibition 3.30pm onwards **Thursday 13th July** – Nursery Graduation 10.30am and 2.30pm, Parents Evening 3.30pm till 5pm**Friday 14th July** – Feel Good Friday, Nursery party, Nursery closes today, Colour Run day, Year 6 Sleepover **Monday 17th July** – Reception and Year One Teddy Bears Picnic, Attendance Pizza Party, 3.30pm Talent Show  concert**Tuesday 18th July** -9.30am Year 6 Leavers Mass, Year 6 Party**Wednesday 19th July** – Last day of term 2pm finish. Non Uniform Day £1.00 |
| **To all our children and families… Have a lovely weekend.** **Stay safe and well.**https://encrypted-tbn0.gstatic.com/images?q=tbn:ANd9GcS7qvfLnks0kJJFyXQpVA3-bHfb24fzGS8y4qqWwBukgV6ioKr_TQ**Mrs Carroll-McKevitt** **and all the staff of St Laurence’s School** |
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**After-School Clubs 2022-2023 (Summer Term)**

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| **Monday**  | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** |
| **Year 4/5/6****3.15 – 4.15pm**Table Tennis Club(Mr Cushion)**Years 3, 4, 5 and 6****3.15pm – 4.15pm**Choir (Mrs Faulkner)**Year 1****3.15 – 4.15pm**Football Club(Mr Gibson)**Years 3, 4 and 5****3.15-4.15pm**Retro Pencil and Paper Games (Mrs Lawless) | **Year 4****3.15 – 4.15pm**Cricket(Steven EITC)  | **Lunch Time****Class 2S**1.00pm Change4Life (Mr Cushion)**Year 4/5/6****3.15 – 4.15pm**Dance(Tammy)  | **Lunch Time****Class 2L**1.00pm Change4Life (Mr Cushion)**Year 5/6****3.15 – 4.15pm**Cricket(Mr Grant)**KS 2****3.15 – 4.15pm**Minnie Vinnies (MissBranegan)**Year 4/5/6****3.15 – 4.15pm**Guitar Club(Mr Folksman) |  |