

# St Lawrence Weekly

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## Headteacher's Spotlight

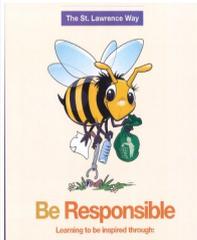
A wonderful week of weather has allowed us to be outdoors at lot, culminating in a day of skipping today led by Dave from Skip2BFit. All pupils were challenged to see how many times they could skip in two minutes. The best scores were achieved by the following pupils in each year group:

YR - Georgia; Y1 - Sophie; Y2 - Thomas;  
Y3 - Hector; Y4 - Margot; Y5 - Emmie and in  
Y6 Archie with 281 skips!

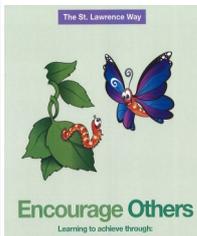


Amongst the members of staff who had a go, Mrs Mason scored an impressive 241 skips! We are now going to be encouraging daily skipping for all pupils - even just two minutes gets the heart rate up.

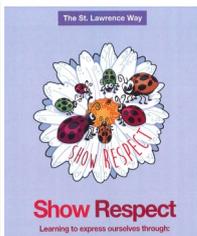
Last Wednesday, we came in 1<sup>st</sup> place at the swimming gala at Ludlow for the fourth year in a row! Well done to all pupils who took part and to everyone for their efforts in our regular afternoon swimming lessons.



Our number on roll has risen once again to 204 pupils! Attendance for the current academic year is 94.54%, which is super and above the national average. Please can parents remember that absences for holidays in term time cannot be authorised. Absences for other exceptional circumstances can often be authorised after a request form has been completed.



Year 6 pupils received their annual reports today; Year 1 to Year 5 pupils will receive reports in the first week of the summer term and Reception pupils at the end of the academic year. If you haven't yet booked your Parents' evening appointment for your Y6 child, taking place next week, please do so as soon as possible.



Have a lovely weekend.



Alan Brannen  
Headteacher

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# EASTER

## ACTIVITY HOLIDAY CLUB

ACTIVITY CAMPS AT  
ST LAWRENCE PRIMARY, CHURCH STRETTON SY6  
6EX

HAF Department for Education Shropshire Council

14, 15, 16, 17 APRIL 8.30 AM - 4.00 PM  
£20 PER DAY  
PRIMARY SCHOOL Y1-Y6

MORE INFO: CONTACT @PASSMASTERCOACHING  
[HTTPS://WWW.PASSMASTERCOACHING.CO.UK](https://www.passmastercoaching.co.uk)



## Dates for your diary:

7th April - 10am	Children's Easter Service (Children only)
8th April—3.30 -6pm	Y6 Parents' Evening
10th April—3.30—6pm	Y6 Parents' Evening
14th—25th April	Easter Holidays
29th May -	Travelling Book Fair in school
5th May	Early May Bank Holiday
6th May	Parents' Evening (YR—Y5)
8th May	Parents' Evening (YR—Y5)
14th June	Summer Fair 
25th June	Sports Day KS2 - morning Whole school - afternoon
28th June	Mynd Drover Walk 
9th July	Reserve Sports Day
10th—11th July	Y4 Camp—Long Mynd Adventure Camp



## OPEN FOOTBALL TRIALS

**Church Stretton magpies u11s football club are holding open trials for the 2025/2026 season !**

**we are looking for children going into school years 5 and 6 in September, and ideally players who have played league or school football already. players will be competing in the Shropshire junior league, where if we have enough interest, we potentially could have two teams.**

**if you fancy joining a friendly club and fancy trying out please come along. we are based at the playing fields on Russells Meadow, Church Stretton SY6 6DE.**

Open sessions will be on the following dates :

17<sup>th</sup> May  
24<sup>th</sup> May  
10-11.30am

to register your interest or enquire further information, please contact ash 07508867463



## A message from our Chair of Governors

Do you know what the largest volunteer force in England is? I guessed at scouts, but with over 250,000 school governors, it's the education service.

Governors aren't always visible to parents or present in the everyday life of a school but their role is important. Governors help to monitor the school's performance, both financial and academic, as well as helping to set the school's vision and holding leaders to account.

We have 12 governors on our board, mostly standing for a 4 year term. Alongside parent governors we have Foundation Governors from the parish to ensure our Christian ethos is carried through everything we do, Community Governors who can be anyone from the local community over age 18, and a Local Authority governor who is put forward by the Local Authority. With varied backgrounds, ages and careers everyone brings a different view and we all volunteer for different reasons. Last month was National School Governors' Awareness Day and I asked our governors their reasons for volunteering, these are some of the responses:

"I volunteer because I want our school to attract parents of young children to our town, to utilise the exquisite landscape and community resources on our doorstep, and to equip pupils with the skills for the digital and natural world."

"I volunteer to support our pupils, staff and parents and the vital role of the school in the wider community"

"I volunteer because I want to support the school so they can continue to provide the positive environment that my children enjoyed during their time at St Lawrences."

This term we're pleased to welcome James Deacon as parent governor and Sally Clilverd as foundation governor. I'd like to welcome them to the board and thank all of our governors for the time and dedication that they give to the school.

Emily Russell

## Prayer for the Week

Dear God

We ask for your guidance today, especially as we strive to create a school environment where kindness and understanding prevail. May we learn to see the world through the eyes of others, and may our words and actions always reflect compassion and respect. Help us to choose kindness over unkindness, and to stand up for those who are hurt or feeling upset. May our school be a place where everyone feels safe, valued, and loved.

Amen

Hop on over for

# EASTER

- . Drop in Easter Egg hunt .
- . Lego Club, Saturdays 2pm .
- . Rhyme Time Tuesdays 10.30am .
- . Earth Day Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> April .
- . Gardening Club 24<sup>th</sup> April 2pm .
- . Composting Advice 24<sup>th</sup> April 1pm .
- . Family Storytime 25<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am .
- . Mark Beardsley Illustrations:  
Workshop, Book Signing, &  
Pet Caricatures April 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>

Contact the Library for details  
on individual events

**Join us for  
some egg-citing fun!**



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# EASTER CRAFT EVENT

Wednesday 23rd April 2025

9.30am until 11.30am

Free Easter themed  
cookery, crafts & outdoor  
activities for all ages



Come along to:

Ludlow Youth Centre, Lower Galdeford,  
Ludlow, SY8 1RT

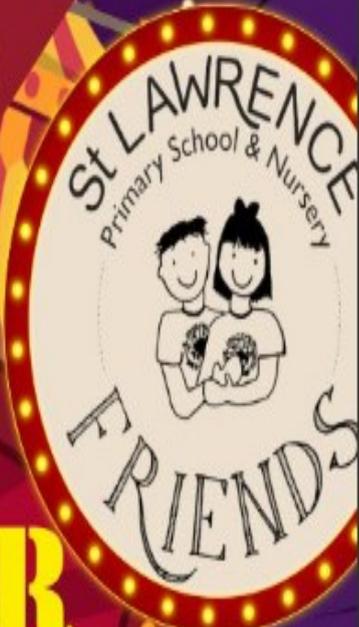
Please note: parents are responsible for their children at this event

Supporting families with children aged 0-19 years (up to 25 years for young people  
with special educational needs and disabilities)

We aim to make it easier for you to ask for help and get support when you need it.



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**SUMMER FAIR**  
**CARNIVAL**  
**THEMED**

**Saturday 14th June 2025**

**11AM to 3PM**

**St Lawrence Primary School**

Join us for a fun-filled family day featuring bouncy castles, tombola, raffles, games, a BBQ, and a variety of carnival-themed entertainment for everyone !

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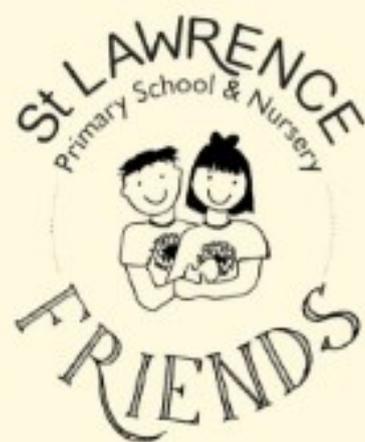
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Would you be willing to contribute something to our **Summer Fair?**

We are in need of tombola and raffle prizes, as well as unopened bottles, cans, and even teddy bears!

**We're  
accepting  
donations**





# Easter Holiday Football Clubs

14th - 17th & 22nd - 25th April, 9am to 3pm

For children ages 5 to 12, our holiday clubs are open to all abilities with a focus on fun and football!

at **The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST** & **Ludlow Football Stadium, SY8 2BN**

Scan the QR code or visit our website to book a single day for £18, or save when you book multiple days!

[foundationstfc.co.uk/fun](https://foundationstfc.co.uk/fun)

