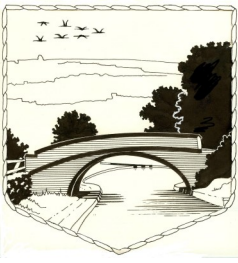


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Dear families and friends of St Lawrence,

As we wrap up a fantastic term at St Lawrence, we have so much to smile about! It's been a term full of exciting trips, great learning moments, and wonderful community events that have made this time together extra special.

Our students have had the chance to explore beyond the classroom with some amazing trips. From Coventry Cathedral and city centre to Cross Hands Quarry, these experiences have sparked curiosity and broadened their minds. It's been fantastic to see our pupils engaged, learning, and growing with every new adventure! The PTA has also been incredibly busy this term, hosting events that have brought our school community even closer. Whether it was the Autumn Games or Christmas Family Fun, the support from parents, teachers, and pupils has made these events truly memorable. A huge thank you to the PTA for all their hard work – we couldn't do it without you! In the classroom, our pupils have been working hard and embracing new challenges. With exciting lessons and creative ideas, it's clear that the love for learning is alive and well. We've seen so much progress across all year groups, and it's been a joy to watch students soar on wings like eagles, reaching new heights in their learning.

As we reflect on all the highlights of the term, we also want to take a moment to say a heartfelt farewell to Mrs. Rose. She has been such a big part of St. Lawrence School for so many years, and her kindness and dedication will be greatly missed. We wish her the very best in her new adventures – we know she'll continue to inspire and make a difference even in her retirement. Looking ahead to next term, we're excited for all the new opportunities and fun that await. But for now, let's take a moment to celebrate the wonderful memories we've made this term. Wishing everyone a restful and well-deserved break, and we can't wait to see you all in the new year, ready for more learning and laughter! Happy holidays from the whole team!

Mrs Beth Hanna

This Week's Awards

Very well done to the pupils who have received a Head Teacher's Merit Award today: **Henry and Dottie (Y6), Eli and Evelyn (Y5), Sebastian and Willow (Y4), Arlo and Mila (Y3), Archie and Lyla (Y2), Oliver and Cecily (Y1), Rana and Freya (Reception)**. We'd also like to mention a few other pupils who have achieved some wonderful things this week! **James** in Y2 won the grading trophy at Taekwondo this week and is now an orange belt. **Rose** in Y5 graded in Karate at the weekend and got her blue belt, and also got her LWGC medal at Gymnastics earlier this week! **Fleur** in Y5 will be performing in Hansel and Gretel in the Royal Opera House over the Christmas season. And **Beth** in Y6 passed her



Grade 3 acoustic guitar exam with a score of 85%, which is a merit.

Congratulations to you all, and very well done!

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It was wonderful to be up at St Lawrence Church on Tuesday for our **Christmas service** led by Mrs Helen Eadon. We were delighted to have Revd Andy with us, and it was lovely to see so many parents and family members in the congregation. Very well done to all our Year 2, 4 and 6 readers, and to the orchestra who accompanied the singing beautifully. Thank you so much to all involved!



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December has been a busy one in **Little Lawrences** and the adults are amazed at the confidence and resilience the children continue to show with their social and personal development. This was never more evident than when they performed at the Christmas Concert. The children took to the stage and sang 3 Christmas songs to a room of 80 parents and carers. This was the first time for many of them having to perform on stage and they did themselves proud. In Little Lawrences we always encourage and support the growth of independence; whilst also being accountable for how our actions impact others. This month we have revisited our zones of regulation learning, and when Santa brought our class toys the children were able to put their sharing and turn taking skills to good use.



It's been a lovely festive week across the rest of the school, with a **Flute and Recorder Group performance** led by the fabulous Mrs Foxwell, and a brilliant **Larks 'n' Owls Christmas party** organised by the wonderful Sandra! **Thank you so much** to everyone who has put so much hard work in to ensuring that the children's last week of term is a really happy one.



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