

Welcome back after the Christmas break. It has been a real pleasure to see everyone return to school so positively. We have enjoyed a wonderful first week, with classrooms already buzzing with learning as new topics have begun across the whole school. At the lower end of the school, it has been lovely to welcome some new faces into Little Lawrences, and Reception have been working extremely hard on their phonics. Mrs George has been especially impressed with their readiness to learn and their positive attitudes. Year 1 have been enjoying the story *Lost in the Toy Museum*, while Year 6 have begun their exciting work on the Victorians, finding out fascinating facts about Queen Victoria. In Key Stage 2, pupils have also made a fantastic start. Year 3 have been immersing themselves in the world of the Ancient Egyptians, Year 4 have been researching the Greek gods, Year 5 have been exploring the art of mosaics, and Year 6 have been writing clear and detailed instructions for Pok-a-Tok. It has been wonderful to see how quickly everyone has settled back into learning and how enthusiastically they have all got stuck in. I have been particularly impressed by the focus, effort and determination shown by Year 3 this week. As I have walked around the school, their careful listening, strong concentration and excellent ability to follow instructions have really stood out. Well done to everyone in Year 3 for such a brilliant start to the term. We are all looking forward to another exciting week ahead as we continue to “soar on wings like eagles” together. **Mrs Bethan Hanna, Head teacher**



Clara Y2 discovered our velcro dots!

Today's Stars of the Week:

- Reception - Ned P
- Year 1 - Khloe-May F
- Year 2— Darla-Rae R
- Year 3 - Rupert V
- Year 4— Eleanor K
- Year 5—Wilfred B
- Year 6—George B



George Watson—
GOLD Team Points Certificate



Well done to our Bronze and Silver Team Point Certificate winners:

BRONZE: Ebony, Imogen B, Daizy, James P, Reuben, Fred T, Reggie, Grace W, Izzy V, Reina, Eleanor, Harry W, William L, William G & Theo.

SILVER: Beth & Zachary



And well done to our pupils celebrating their extra-curricular activities this week:



Ollie B for gymnastics , Daniel for gymnastics, Daizy for Football, Annie for Horse Riding, Joseph for Taekwondo, Reuben for gymnastics and Jonas for gymnastics.

Cara for swimming, Ollie B for swimming and



Year 1: Year 1 have started the new year just as they mean to go on! They have settled back into the routine incredibly quickly and have shown how grown up they are already. We have really enjoyed beginning our new topic on toys and transport and are very much looking forward to being historians this term. We have also started exploring the beautiful, colourful book *Lost in the Toy Museum* by David Lucas, and the children have made some brilliant predictions about what might happen next. In maths, the children have been very busy showing what they already know about numbers to 20. George was especially impressed with how well Year 1 listened and followed instructions during PE this week too. It's shaping up to be a brilliant term!

Year 2: We were all really pleased to see everyone in Year 2 back and ready to learn this week. We have been so impressed by how quickly the children have settled into the school routines. It feels like it is going to be a fantastic term. If the children's ideas for new year's resolutions are anything to go by we will have an amazing 2026! We have started our topic on the 'Industrious Victorians' by learning about Queen Victoria. The children have already learnt lots about her and we are looking forward to learning all about some of the exciting events during her long reign. In maths we have started our unit on money. So far we have concentrated on recognising coins, notes and counting amounts, so don't be surprised if your child takes a sudden interest in the contents of your purse or wallet! We hope the weather doesn't impact everyone's weekend plans too much. See you all next week.

Year 3: Year 3 have started 2026 off so well. I am completely blown away by the maturity and hard work they are showing and the fantastic attitude towards their learning we are seeing. Well done all of you for such a fantastic start to the new year. Year 3 have been so ready to learn and we have really enjoyed starting our new topic, Ancient Egypt. This week, we were using atlases to locate and identify where in the world Egypt is. We discovered what the capital city is and which continent it belongs to. In guided reading, we have been reading *Cinderella* which we have compared with a retelling of the story called *Cinderella of the Nile* which we have been looking at in English. We have compared the traditional tale and this version looking for similarities and differences between the two. In maths, we are continuing our learning on multiplication and division. This week, we have recapped the four times table which we were learning about before Christmas and started learning about the eight times table. In Science, we have started our new topic, animals including humans, and learnt about what makes a balanced and healthy diet for humans. Overall, it has been a fabulous first week back and a brilliant start to the Spring term. Well done everyone!

Year 4: This week, Year 4 have settled back into class beautifully, showing calm, mature behaviour and adapting really well to our routines. In maths, we have been working hard on factors, confidently finding factor pairs, creating imaginative factor bugs, and using our knowledge of factors to solve problems. We have also started our new class book, 'Leo and the Gorgon's Curse', which has inspired some fantastic work as we became linguistic archaeologists, researched Ancient Greek mythical creatures and wrote about them using rich vocabulary. In RE, we sequenced the events of Holy Week in the story of Christ, showing thoughtful understanding of the key moments, and in our topic lesson we identified the location of Greece on a map and compared its climate to that of the UK. Well done, Year 4, for such a positive and hardworking start back! A notice for parents - PE is now being taught on Monday and Wednesday afternoons, and both lessons will be led by our PE coach, George. Stay warm all!

Year 5: It has been a great week for Year 5 - they've settled back into school beautifully and have adapted really well to our new routine as the first few days have unfolded. We've been introduced to our new class book, *The Jamie Drake Equation*, and made some initial observations about it - and some predictions too! We finished off last term's Science work by talking about irreversible changes, and watched a fizzy reaction between vinegar and bicarbonate of soda to illustrate what we'd learned. Jumping straight into our new Romans topic, we put together a short piece of drama about Romulus and Remus and the legend of the founding of Rome, then used *The Chronicles of Narnia* as inspiration for our grammar lesson on a day which later turned into a very snowy evening! Well done, Year 5 - Mrs Merrick is really proud of you all.

Year 6. Welcome back Year 6. You have been amazing, and it has been lovely to see your drive, focus and enthusiasm straight from the start. In Reading, we have begun *Rain Player*, a powerful story set in the Ancient Maya world that has already sparked thoughtful discussion and careful reading. In English, we explored the ceremonial ball game *Pok a Tok* before drafting, editing and improving a clear set of instructions, with some pupils even venturing into the subjunctive mood with confidence. Look out for additional revision tasks on Google Classroom to support this work. In Maths, we have been converting measurements, moving from understanding metric units to converting between them and then calculating with metric measures, all with increasing accuracy. We have also begun focused SATs revision, including a close look at a Paper 1 that Mr D attempted (or deliberately?) himself, which the class thoroughly enjoyed correcting... As a reminder, [mathsbot.com](https://www.mathsbot.com) is a very useful resource for practising Paper 1 style questions and building confidence. A strong start to the term, with plenty of effort and good humour along the way.

Message from Mrs Hanna: We would like to thank you for the positive way our parent message groups are used to share information, reminders, and helpful updates about school life. These groups can be a great way for families to stay connected and informed.

We would also like to gently remind everyone that if you or your child have a concern, problem, or complaint about something that has happened at school, this should be raised directly with the school. Our team are always happy to listen and work with you to resolve any issues in a fair and confidential way. Parent message groups are public forums and are not the appropriate place to discuss individual pupils, incidents, or concerns—particularly where this involves a child who is not your own. Sharing details about pupils in these spaces can unintentionally cause upset or breach chil-

09:30 Hymn practice with the whole school. Members of the orchestra should bring their instruments to school on Mondays, there is no need to come into school early. Mrs Merrick will collect children from class after morning registration.

Tuesday 13th January 2026

09:30: Year 4 will have their class brass lesson today with Mrs Pugh in the hall. This will be for an hour every Tuesday for the whole of the academic year.

Wednesday 14th January 2026

09:30: Whole school assembly in the hall led by Mrs Hanna

09:30 Invited children leave for IMPROVERS SWIMMING LESSONS -

Thursday 15th January 2026

Friday 16th January 2026

This morning is our orchestra rehearsal in the hall. Please remember to send instruments into school with children for an 08.45 practice in the hall before celebration assembly.

We are having a celebration assembly as normal today at 09.05am in the hall, everyone is welcome. Please drop extra curricular awards and certificates into the office for presentation in assembly.

MUSIC LESSONS:

Monday: Lisa Foxwell will be teaching in the Music Room
Lisa Foxwell's Flute group will meet in the Hall at 10:30

Tuesday: Lisa Foxwell will be teaching in the Music Room
Helen Pugh will be teaching brass in the Hall
Seb Foxwell will be teaching in the afternoon in the Music Room
Alex Sinessi will be teaching guitar lessons today in the Sensory Room

Wednesday: Alex Sinessi will be teaching guitar lessons today in the Sensory Room
Seb Foxwell will be teaching in the afternoon in the Music Room

Thursday: ~~Emma Benson will be taking violin lessons from 11:20 in the Sensory Room~~
(There is currently in-adequate sign up for violin lessons to continue)
Jacob Tanner will be in school taking drum lessons in Room 11
Lisa Foxwell's Flute Quartet group will meet in the Music Room at lunchtime

Friday: Lisa Foxwell will be teaching in the Music Room
Lisa Foxwell's Recorder group will meet in the Hall at 10:30

We are about to enter Week 2 on the [Educaterers Lunch Menu](#). Please indicate your child's meal arrangements on School Money for the following day by the midnight cut off. Lunches can be booked days/weeks in advance. If you are having issues with School Money, please email the office with your child's lunch order and I will look into the issue this week. Where a child does not have a lunch ordered, they will be allocated a jacket potato.

After School Extra Curricular Clubs

After School Extra Curricular Clubs start back this week. If you would like to sign up for a club please click [here](#). If you have a burning desire to run a club or get involved, please get in touch.

Lunchtime Clubs

Mr D will be running Code Club on a WEDNESDAY at lunchtime in Y6 for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. This is a drop in club, no need to sign up.

Ms Moss will be running her Colouring/Friendship Club on a WEDNESDAY at lunchtime in Y5 for Years 5 and 6. This is a drop in club, no need to sign up.

Uniform

A reminder of our [uniform policy](#). Please ensure children bring their PE kit into school on their PE day/s.

PE days SPRING TERM 2026 are:

- Reception: Thursday AM
- Year 1: Wednesday PM (plus forest school kit for Fridays)
- Year 2: Tuesday PM and Friday AM
- Year 3: Monday PM and Thursday PM
- Year 4: Monday PM and Wednesday PM
- Year 5: Tuesday PM and Friday PM
- Year 6: Thursday PM and Friday PM

AM sessions are taken by the class teacher. PM sessions are taken by George Funnell (Coventry rugby coach)

School start/end time:

A reminder that all children, unless previously agreed, should be on the school site by 08:55 to avoid a late mark being entered into the register. Parents/carers should be on the playground (or outside Y1) for collection by 15:15 for KS1 and 15:20 for KS2.

Smart Watches

Monday 09th February: Y6 Annual Health Needs Assessment
Monday 09th February: Reception and Y6 Heights & Weights
Tuesday 10th February: Reception Vision Screening
Wednesday 11th February: Parents Evening 15:30 to 18:00 (2 of 2)
Thursday 12th February: Shakespeare experience day Y3 to Y6
Monday 16th to Friday 20th February: HALF TERM

Monday 02nd March: Poet visit to school
Thursday 05th March: World Book Day
Wednesday 11th March: PTA Mothers Day Afternoon Tea
Friday 20th March: Y3/Y4 Dress rehearsal to the school
Friday 20th March: PTA KS2 Disco
Monday 23rd March: Easter Church Service
Tuesday 24th March: Y3/Y4 Afternoon performance for parents
Wednesday 25th March: Y3/Y4 Evening performance for parents
Thursday 26th March: PTA Easter Bingo
Friday 27th March: Head Teachers Merit Assembly (Last day of term)
Monday 30th March to Friday 10th April—**EASTER HOLIDAY**

Monday 13th April: INSET DAY

Monday 11th to Thursday 14th May: Y6 SATs

Monday 04th May: BANK HOLIDAY

Wednesday 20th May: Sports Day

Monday 25th to Friday 29th May: HALF TERM

Monday 01st June: INSET DAY

Tuesday 02nd to Friday 12th June: Phonics Screening and Y4 Multiplications check

Wednesday 03rd June: Reserve date for Sports Day

Monday 15th to Thursday 18th June: Y6 Bikeability

Wednesday 17th June: PTA Fathers Day breakfast

Thursday 18th June: Music Concert

Friday 19th June: Y5/Y6 dress rehearsal to the school

Tuesday 23rd June: Y5/Y6 Afternoon performance to parents/carers

Wednesday 24th June: Y5/Y6 Evening performance to parents/carers

Wednesday 01st to 03rd July: Y6 Pioneer Centre residential

Thursday 02nd July: SATs results published

Friday 03rd July: Festival Dress Up

Tuesday 07th July: Y4 Brass Performance to parents/carers

Wednesday 08th July: Whole school moving up day

Weds 08th & Thursday 09th July: Secondary school transition days

Friday 10th July: Reports sent out to parents/carers —whole school

Monday 13th July: Leavers church service

Tuesday 14th July: Meet the teacher 15:30 to 16:00

Wednesday 15th July: PTA Summer Games

Friday 17th July: Head Teachers Merit and leavers assembly (Last day of term)

Monday 20th July: INSET DAY

FOR CHILDREN




PIANO AND WIND INSTRUMENTS

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DRUM AND GUITAR

Top of The Rock
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BRASS AND VIOLIN

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 **January 2026 Timetable**
 All sessions delivered live online via zoom, 90 minutes long
£24 each or FREE with School Membership
 Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk
 Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Autism - Improving Communication	5 Jan 10am
Improving Family Communication	5 Jan 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	6 Jan 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	6 Jan 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	12 Jan 10am
Understanding Anger	12 Jan 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	13 Jan 10am
Facing Defiance	13 Jan 7pm
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	19 Jan 10am
Anxiety Explained	19 Jan 7pm
Introduction to OCD	20 Jan 10am
What Is ACT	20 Jan 7pm
FREE Responding to Angry Behaviour	22 Jan 7-8pm
Raising Self-Esteem	26 Jan 10am