



Summer Term 1

our School Value is

Friendship

'Good friends are like stars. You don't always see them, but you know they are always there.'

and our Worship is all about the

Miracles of Jesus

Star Pupils!

Well done to all the children who were named as star pupils for the fifth half term! They enjoyed hot chocolate as a treat!

Year 3 - Joules, Reuben, Matthew

Year 4 - Emily, Jacob, Ayda

Year 5 - Darielle, Reihan-Ali, Danny

Year 6 - Hannah, Anna, Izzy



Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Families,

I hope you have enjoyed some good weather and managed to have a restful and enjoyable half term break. The first half term of the Summer flew by, all 19 days of it! The Year 6's did themselves proud in the SATs and the Year 4s performed an excellent Pentecost worship. It was also great to see children from all year groups competing for the school in different sports activities and others taking part in art, choir, French and gardening clubs.

We bid farewell to Bubbles the Bull on the last Friday of half term, ready for the Bulls in the City Trail which will go live in Birmingham on the 16th July. Can you find Bubbles somewhere in the city?

This half term is always an incredibly busy one, with sports day, Aztec trips, summer fair, productions, transition days, internal and external concerts and then Y6 leavers events towards the end of term. We are looking forward to both Science and Prayer Week where we have some parent volunteers and members of the local community coming to share collective worships with us. We also hope to hold an OPAL open afternoon where parents can come and play with their children in the forest school, using all the equipment and resources we have for lunchtimes.

I hope you are able to join us for some of these events.

Mr. Murphy, Headteacher

Attendance

Attendance	Whole School May:	96.6%
	Class with Best Attendance:	4H - 98.4%
Punctuality	Whole School May:	98.96%
	Year with Best Punctuality:	Year 6- 99.34%

Friends of St. Laurence

June is here and we have so many exciting things to look forward to! What better way to begin the final half term of the year than with a brand new **outdoor classroom** build! 18 months of fundraising and you've done it! We are so thankful and proud to be able to provide this new facility.



But we won't stop there...!

Our Summer Fair is set for **Friday 20th June** and we hope the sun shines again for us this year! We will be preparing the fair from 6pm on Thursday 19th June. **We need you!** If you can spare any time that evening or at any point during the day on Friday 20th, please sign up here:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/zFfBvkC2K0>

Bag2School – Our collection will be this **Friday 6th June**, this is our final collection of the school year. Donations can be dropped to the Infants or Junior School sites anytime on the 5th of June or at drop off on Friday morning.

Diary dates

- **Frozen Friday - every Friday!**
- **Year 6 Leavers Hoodies deadline for ordering - Wednesday 4th June**
- **Bag2School – Friday 6th June**
- **Non uniform day (bring a bottle) – Friday 13th June**
- **Bric-a-brac drop off – from Monday 16th June**
- **Summer Fair prep evening – Thursday 19th June from 6pm**
- **Summer Fair/raffle launch – Friday 20th June**
- **Colour Run– Friday 4th July**
- **Summer Raffle draw – Friday 4th July**
- **Year 6 Swim Party – Saturday 5th July**
- **Summer Disco – Tuesday 15th July**



NATIONAL
YOUTH CHOIR

SING

West Midlands

Please see details about singing workshops that are happening across June and July.

Sign up for SING! 2025, which includes **three FREE workshops!**

Each workshop day is led by our **friendly** team of vocal leaders **from National Youth Choir**.

Young singers will learn exciting new **songs**, make new **friends** and develop their **musical skills**.

Who can join

- Open to **Year 5 to Year 8**
- You must be at **state school or homeschooled** in the West Midlands area
- The workshops are **FREE** and **support with travel costs** is available
- You can sign up at any point in the year

Sign up now

Register for events and sign up to our mailing list



Important Summer Term Diary Dates

Date	Event
2nd June	Start of Half Term 6
wc 2nd June	Yr 4 Multiplication Tables Check
5th June	9:15am Y2 and Y5 Ascension Service - <i>Parents welcome at the church</i>
10th June	Year 5 to Aztec
12th June	Class Photos
13th June	Non - Uniform Day for Summer Fair - <i>Bring a bottle</i>
17th June	Beacon Parent Workshop - 3:30 - 4:30 (<i>info on app</i>)
18th June	Science Week Activities - <i>information to follow</i>
19th June	OPAL Afternoon - <i>Parents welcome - info to follow</i>
20th June	Summer Fair
wc 23rd June	Prayer Week / Year 6 Bikeability
26th June	Year 6 Leavers Service at Cathedral pm
27th June	Year 4 to Aztec
30th June	Recorder Concert - 2:30
30th June	York Meeting - Yr 5 parents - 5:30pm
1st July	Whole school Sports Day
1st July	Woodwind Concert - 2:30
2nd July	Citywide Transition Day - <i>including Yr 6 to secondary schools and internal year group transition</i>
4th July	Rock Steady Concert TBC - 9:15
4th July	Colour Run
8th / 10th July	Y6 Performance Evenings - <i>Tuesday 5pm and Thursday 7pm</i>
9th July	Keyboard Concert - 2:30
10th July	Guitar Concert - 2:30
11th July	Drayton Manor - Year 6
11th July	Year 4 Fabulous Finish
14th July	Youth Proms
15th July	End of year disco
17th July	Whole School Awards Assembly am Y6 Leavers assembly in church pm
18th July	Y6 Leavers Assembly in school am Last Day of Term

Letter from the Bishop of Birmingham

It was lovely to receive this letter from the Bishop of Birmingham over half term. He is recognising the phenomenal effort of our children and families in raising so much money for Mikanga Primary School in Malawi. We should all be very proud!



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I hope this finds you and the whole school community in good heart.

I have been told that the children recently raised £5,109 for Mikanga Primary School in Malawi through fundraising and enterprise projects. This is an incredible amount and the school should be hugely proud of such an impressive fund-raising effort! I know that the staff and children of Mikanga Primary School will be blessed and encouraged by the time, effort and generosity of all at St. Laurence.

I would be grateful if you could pass on my greetings to the school community and assure them of my ongoing prayers. May you continue to know the blessing, provision and protection of God.

With gratitude for all you are doing and warm good wishes,

+ Michael Birmingham

The Rt Revd Dr Michael Volland
Bishop of Birmingham

