



# ST LAURENCE CHURCH JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Summer Term 1

our School Value is

**Curiosity**

and our Worship Value is

**Parables of Jesus**

**'Everyone who hears these words and puts them into practice is like a wise man.'**

Matthew 7:24-27



Thank you to everyone who attended and bought books at our recent Usborne Book Fair. We managed to sell over **£900** worth of books, meaning we now have a further **£500** to spend on children's books within school in addition to the money raised through the readathon.

We hope your children are enjoying all the new books that we have in school and those purchased. Thank you for your support with this.

## Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a fantastic week we have come back to after the Easter holidays. The sun is shining and the children are absolutely loving our free flow OPAL lunchtimes, where they can explore the whole of the forest area, play with tyres and crates on the small field, do sport on the big field and then dance to music, build or be creative with Lego and chalk on the back playground. Thanks for all of your donations.

I am absolutely delighted to announce the final total we have had in for the Lenten Project. As a community, we have raised **£5,109 for Mikanga Primary School in Malawi**. This phenomenal amount is due to the generosity of all our parents, carers and wider families as well as the hard work of our children and staff. We had so much fun raising the money as well! A big well done also to Year 5s for their Easter collective worship.

Despite this short half term, we have an action packed Summer Term ahead and really hope you will be able to join us for some of the upcoming events listed in the calendar section overleaf. Our Year 6s are looking forward to meeting Stuart Lawrence tomorrow alongside 300 other Year 6s from other schools in the hall. Thank you for your ongoing support!

Mr. Murphy, Headteacher

# Attendance

<b>Attendance</b>	Whole School April:	<b>95.7%</b>
	Class with Best Attendance:	<b>5RK - 98.1%</b>
<b>Punctuality</b>	Whole School April:	<b>99%</b>
	Year with Best Punctuality:	<b>Year 5- 99.1%</b>

## Friends of St. Laurence

Welcome to the summer term! We are looking forward to all the fun events planned.

Frozen Friday begins this week and will take place each Friday after school, on the front playground. Prices range from 30p to £1, after school club will be included. This Friday, 2nd May, we will also be having a Preloved Uniform sale, contributions welcome.

We would like to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone who voted for us at Becketts Farm during the last few months. We have received a donation of **£542.43** - incredible!

### Diary dates

- **Preloved Uniform Sale:** this Friday 2nd May
- **Frozen Friday** - every Friday from 2nd May
- **Film Night** – Thursday 15th May
- **Break the Rules Day** - Friday 23rd May (*more details to follow*)
- **Friends meeting** – Monday 2nd June
- **Bags 2 School** - Friday 6th June
- **Summer Fair** – Friday 20th June



Volunteers please sign up here! <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/zFfBvkC2K0>

- **Colour Run**– Friday 4th July
- **Summer Raffle draw** – Friday 4th July
- **Summer Disco** – Tuesday 15th July



As always, these events only run successfully with your support. Please let us know if you can volunteer any time to help at any of these events.



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Instagram [friendsofstlaurencejuniors](https://www.instagram.com/friendsofstlaurencejuniors)

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### CBSO Family Concert

The CBSO has offered us a discount code for the Family Concert: Sports Day! taking place on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm**, where you can expect a fun, welcoming, and interactive musical experience for all ages. For more information about Family Concerts, please visit the CBSO website: <https://cbso.co.uk/events/family-concert-sports-day>.

For **50% off Family Concerts**, please use the discount code **KSFAMILY50**. With 50% off tickets, families can experience a live orchestral concert at Symphony Hall for the whole family plus FREE activities an hour before the concert where they can take part in a treasure hunt around Symphony Hall, create their own medal, and listen to a fantastic performance from the CBSO Children's Chorus – all for just £6 per ticket!

## Important Summer Term Diary Dates

Date	Event
5th May	<b>Bank Holiday</b>
8th May	<b>Photos being taken for the website</b>
12th - 15th May	<b>Y6 SATs Week</b> <i>No music lessons this week</i>
15th May	<b>Film Night</b> - <i>please see Friends' section of newsletter</i>
20th / 21st May	<b>Yr 4 Pentecost Collective Worship</b> - <i>separate letter</i>
23rd May	<b>Break the Rules Day</b> - <i>information to follow</i> <b>End of Half Term 5</b>
2nd June	<b>Start of Half Term 6</b>
wc 2nd June	<b>Yr 4 Multiplication Tables Check</b>
5th June	<b>9am Y2 and Y5 Ascension Service</b> - <i>Parents welcome at the church</i>
10th June	<b>Year 5 to Aztec</b>
12th June	<b>Class Photos</b>
13th June	<b>Non - Uniform Day for Summer Fair</b> - <i>Bring a bottle</i>
18th June	<b>Science Week Activities</b> - <i>Parents invited in the afternoon - information to follow</i>
19th June	<b>OPAL Afternoon</b> - <i>Parents welcome - info to follow</i>
20th June	<b>Summer Fair</b>
wc 23rd June	<b>Prayer Week / Year 6 Bikeability</b>
26th June	<b>Year 6 Leavers Service at Cathedral pm</b>
27th June	<b>Year 4 to Aztec</b>
30th June	<b>York Meeting - Yr 5 parents</b>
1st July	<b>Whole school Sports Day</b>
2nd July	<b>Citywide Transition Day</b> - <i>including Yr 6 to secondary schools and internal year group transition</i>
4th July	<b>Colour Run</b>
8th / 10th July	<b>Y6 Performance Evenings</b> - <i>Tuesday 5pm and Thursday 7pm</i>
11th July	<b>Drayton Manor - Year 6</b>
14th July	<b>Youth Proms</b>
15th July	<b>End of year disco</b>
17th July	<b>Whole School Awards Assembly am</b> <b>Y6 Leavers assembly in church pm</b>
18th July	<b>Y6 Leavers Assembly in school am</b> <b>Last Day of Term</b>

# French Club - please ask in the office for a letter



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## Fun French Club At St Laurence Junior School – Summer Term Places Now Available!

We are currently running a very exciting Fun French after school club for the St Laurence Junior school children and will have a limited number of places available for the Summer Term. The sessions take place on the school premises immediately after school every **Friday** and last for one hour.

The sessions will once again be taken at the school by the very popular Madame Millie and are thoroughly enjoyed by the children who are currently attending. Le Club Francais offers:

- **Small Informal Groups**
- **Only £6.00 per week**
- **End of Year Certificate and Presentation**
- **A professionally designed Summer Term program suitable for all levels**
- **Fun activity based learning methods ie games, songs, drama, stories, role play**
- **FREE membership to our fantastic interactive Babelzone learning site – normally £69.00**
- **Resources including CD's, Flash Cards, on line games and activity sheets**
- **Quality and Experienced Fun teachers – all DBS checked**

## Fabulous Finishes / Concert Dates

Our year groups have put on some excellent Fabulous Finishes over the past few terms, please see dates below for this term. This is a great opportunity to see what your child is getting up to in the wider curriculum in their classrooms. Parents are welcome to join in the hall from 2:30. Please see dates for end of year concerts too.

22nd May	Year 6 Fabulous Finish
23rd May	Year 3 Fabulous Finish
3rd June	Year 5 Fabulous Finish
30th June	Recorder Concert - 2:30
1st July	Woodwind Concert - 2:30
4th July	Rock Steady Concert TBC - 9:15
9th July	Keyboard Concert - 2:30
10th July	Guitar Concert - 2:30
11th July	Year 4 Fabulous Finish