

KS2 News

Accelerated Reader

After Easter, we will be introducing Accelerated Reader into KS2. This will involve reorganising all our books so that they are more closely linked to the reading ability and the needs of individual children. The books will be coded in a different way and when a book is finished, the readers will be able to complete a 'quiz' about it on the iPad. It's an exciting concept and it is highly recommended by other schools who are using it.

The Easter Story

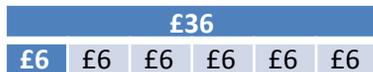
Acts 2 took our assembly today and continued to retell the Easter Story. So far they have acted out the Last Supper - with help from our children, and read about the events on Good Friday, when Jesus was crucified. We are looking forward to Year 3 and Year 4 presenting the story in their own way at the Easter Service on April 4th.

The Bar Method

The children in KS2 are all learning how to use the 'bar method' to help with different aspects of their maths. It is a great way to represent numbers and can help with fractions, word problems and many other areas of maths. Ask your son or daughter to show you what they have learned this week.

Here are a couple of examples.

£36 is divided equally between 6 children. How much will each child receive?



By drawing the bar and the 6 boxes to represent the children it becomes a visual way to help children see that the money is shared out and division is needed to solve the problem.

Fred wants to buy a new game which costs £24.00. He has saved £15. How much more does he need?



This time children can see that they either need to count on to find the missing amount, or that a subtraction sum is needed to find the answer.

A reminder about arrangements at the end of the school day.

If the older children are allowed to walk home on their own, then they must leave the school premises at 3.30pm. They should not stay behind to play football.

If a club has to be cancelled and a pupil is unable to be collected at 3.30pm, the pupil must go to the school office where they will be told where to wait. Once again, they should not be outside on the playground.

In both cases, there is no-one supervising the children should they become injured or become part of a disagreement with other children.

As always, the welfare of your children is our main concern.

Thank you for your continued support –have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Gilford

Our value this term is **Forgiveness**

Forgiveness cannot be given or received unless it is asked for, and the asking must be genuine and from the heart. Too often 'sorry' is said very easily, implying: 'All I need to do is say I'm sorry and everything will be ok'. Real repentance demands that we take what we have done with the utmost seriousness and have a deep desire not to do it again.

Forgive us our sins, as we also forgive everyone who sins against us.

Luke 11:4

'The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is an attribute of the strong'.

Mahatma Gandhi



Year 2 Multi Skills Day



Year 2 had a fantastic morning at the Leisure Centre learning a host of new skills. They took part in cup stacking, golf, archery – which was very popular, space hoppers; some children bounced so high it's a wonder they didn't touch the ceiling, and cat and mouse parachutes Jessica made a brilliant mouse!

In Y2 we have been measuring weight of lovely fruit and vegetables. We have been really careful and accurate.

Today, we had the opportunity to put our weighing into practice by baking cakes and making sweets. Jessica commented; "The best bit was dipping the sweets into the melted chocolate." Max and Ruben added; " We loved the part when we were putting the measured mixture into the cases."

Master Chef watch out!

Thank you to everyone who helped run the bingo last Friday and to everyone who supported us by coming. We had a great, fun night and raised over £400 !Don't forget to save any unwanted clothes for **Bags2School**. Collection Friday 24th March



School Council Fundraisers



Winners will be announced next week.

Guess the name of the Teddy?
How many Sweets are in the Jar...?
 Thank you to everyone who took part in our fundraising and provided cakes for the cake sale.

St Laurence School Council



Netball & Football Fixtures Versus Burford



We had very exciting Home fixtures against Burford Primary School this week. Thank you for all the parents, students and staff support, it was much appreciated by the players.

Our netball team won 17 - 3

Star playerMillie Metzger

Our football team drew 1-1 (goalscorer - Thomas Martin) and went to a nail biting penalty shoot out ..

Finally beating the visitors 4-3 on penalties

Star player has to go to the goalkeeper Brandon Evans

We look forward to the AWAY fixtures in a couple of weeks



Year 5 Assembly

Our assembly was fantastic! All of class 5 really enjoyed taking part. We think Mrs Reid and Miss lee really enjoyed doing the dance (did you see them dancing at the back?) we had great fun learning our dance and all the facts about Anglo Saxons.

Jessica Yapp & Llanney Skyrme

Happy Birthday- Elle Turner, Rhys Tipton, Tristan Lysy-Smith, Kieran Chan, Theo Float & Anya Twiddy



Nursery

This week we've been continuing our learning about doctors and nurses, the children have made their own nurse hats. The children have enjoyed making our own x-ray prints using flour and black paper.

During our forest school session, the children have all been enjoying mark making, their confidence in this is amazing. They were making their own paintbrushes using natural objects and trying different objects to see which one's worked the best.

Some of the children found the left over charcoal from our fire that we had, they enjoyed making marks with this and seeing what they could write. We continued our blindfold rope trail, the children were brilliant at communicating and supporting their friends to guide themselves round. This week the children also worked in pairs and guided their friend to a tree, they then had to try and identify the tree that they had been guided to.



Red Nose Day - Friday 24th March - Wear something red for a donation of £1.00

Dates for your diary March

21 st	Nursery Forest School
21 st	Year 3 – Fireman visit
22 nd	Reception Mother's Day Assembly
23 rd	Reception Forest Schools
24 th	RED NOSE DAY –Wear Red for £1
28 th	Indoor cricket competition
29 th	Swimming Gala
30 th	Reception Forest Schools

April

3 rd	Hockey club tournament
3 rd	Nursery Easter Eggsstravaganza
4 th	Easter Service at St. Laurence's Church 2pm
5 th	Year 4 Quicksticks AM
6 th	Nursery Easter Eggsstravaganza
6 th	School concert – 4pm
7 th	School closes for Easter – 3.30pm

