



# ST LAURENCE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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LEARNING WITH LOVE AND LAUGHTER – GROWING IN GOD'S GRACE

Welcome to our Spring 1 Newsletter. I hope this letter finds you all in good health, having had a restful break. As we embark on a brand-new year at St Laurence Church of England Primary School, I wanted to take a moment to share some important updates and upcoming events with you.

## Attendance Awards



Congratulations to Topaz Class with 94.15% for the half-term.

### Autumn Term 2

Class	Percent
Coral	85.78%
Diamond	91.73%
Emerald	89.93%
Garnet	84.57%
Opal	91.01%
Sapphire	90.63%
Topaz	94.15%
Total	89.56%

We cannot stress enough how important it is that your child does not miss school. All lessons are built on prior learning, which means if children do not attend school, it takes a long time for them to catch up on what they have missed. The goal is for all children to reach AT LEAST 96% attendance. Attending school is not only crucial for your child's academic progress but also for their social and emotional development. Please ensure that your child arrives promptly at 8.45am each day, ready to start their day of learning.

\*\*Please see our attendance policy. You will find this on the school website\*

## Absence

We have had a large amount of absence this half-term – mainly due to illness. Please ensure that if your child is ill that you [ring the office](#) on each day of their absence. Please do not rely on Class Dojo messages.

If your child's attendance falls below 90% we will notify you either through Dojo or a letter.

Thank you.

## Dates for your diary

Date	Event
17.01.24	Swimming starts again for Year 4
23.01.24	Year 2 Fundamentals Festival Rutland Sports Centre
02.02.24	NSPCC Number Day
07.02.24	Parents' Open Afternoon
19.02.24- 23.02.24	Half Term



I am delighted to share that our recent Nativity performances were a resounding success! Our talented pupils showcased their acting skills and brought the joy of the nativity story to life. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of them. We were so proud of all of our children. We also got the chance to be on BBC Radio Derby showcasing our talents. A copy of the recording has been sent to your email.

We would also like to extend our gratitude to all parents and guardians who joined us for the beautiful Christingle and Church services. It was heartening to see our school community come together for these special occasions, marking the importance of the season.

Our new local PCSO, Nicola Eaton, has visited school at the end of the day to ensure that our roads are safe for children leaving school. Please continue to park away from the yellow lines outside of the school gate during drop-off and pick-up time.

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

**Corinthians 5:17**