



NEWSLETTER

Newsletter 11

November 21st 2025

Our value this half-term is **Generosity**



Mr. Crook's message

On Monday, we were delighted to welcome Councillor Maria Jones, who toured our school and visited every class. Our children showed outstanding respect and curiosity during her visit, making us all very proud. She was incredibly impressed by all of the children at our school. On Tuesday, our talented triathletes represented the school brilliantly in their competition. Their determination and commitment to training were inspiring to witness. Their hard work paid off as they achieved an amazing second place in the whole of Preston - a fantastic accomplishment! You did us all proud! On Tuesday, our Year 1 Class Worship was a wonderful celebration of learning and community spirit and, as always, our Year 2 Forest School session was a great success, giving the children a chance to explore, learn, and enjoy the outdoors. Thank you to all staff, pupils, and families for making this such a positive and memorable week.

Upcoming Dates

Tues 25th Nov – Y3 Class Worship in Church from 9.15am

Wed 26th Nov – Babybeat Shopping Event, Barton Village Hall from 6pm

Fri 28th Nov – Non-uniform day – Chocolate items for the Fayre

Y3 Forest Schools afternoon

Sat 29th Nov – Christmas Fayre 11am – 1pm

Tues 2nd Dec – Y5 Class worship in Church from 9.15am

Wed 3rd Dec – Year 1 trip to Judges Lodgings
E.Y.F.S Nativity in Church - 4.15pm

Sun 7th Dec – Children's Service in Church from 10am

Mon 8th Dec – Whole School to 'The Snow Queen,' The Dukes in Lancaster

Tues 9th Dec – Library bus

KSI Nativity in Church 6pm

Wed 10th Dec – KSI Nativity in Church 6pm

Thurs 11th Dec – Christmas Jumper Day

Year 5/6 Christmas Party at The Flower Bowl

Tues 16th Dec – EYFS / KSI Christmas party in school

Wed 17th Dec - 9.30am Nursery Nativity

Year 3 / 4 Christmas Party at Billy bobs

Community Carol Concert in Church 6.30pm

Thurs 18th Dec – Winter Wonderland – details to follow
Christmas Dinner Day
Nursery Christmas Party

Fri 19th Dec – School closes at 1.30pm

Stars of the Week

Nursery – Millie M and Theo

E.Y.F.S. – Benjamin and Ellie

Year 1 – Henry He. and Theo

Year 2 – Rhea and Archie

Year 3 – Eliza and Ivy

Year 4 – Leyanah and Zack En.

Year 5 – Oscar M. and Daisy

Year 6 – Matilda and Isabella

Times Tables Awards: Congratulations to Freddie in Year 4 and Phoebe K. in Year 3 who have both completed all of their times tables. Well done to you both - you have worked so hard.

Well done to Sophie in Year 4 who has achieved her first status on TTRockstars. Well done Sophie.

Headteacher's Award

Sidney in Year 1, Abi in Year 3 and Esther in Year 4

Proposed Admissions Arrangements for September 2027

The Governing Board of St. Lawrence Church of England Primary School is currently consulting on the proposed admission arrangements for September 2027. The proposed admission arrangements can be viewed on the school website in the 'Admissions' section under the 'Key Information' tab. Alternatively, if you would like to receive a paper copy of the proposals, please contact the school office. The policy has been updated to place children who have a sibling attending the school on the date of application and on the date of admission as number 2 in our criteria. Any comments on the proposals should be sent, via email, to Richard Crook, Headteacher at head@st-lawrence.lancs.sch.uk. The consultation opens today - Friday 7th November 2025 and closes on Friday 19th December 2025 and written comments must be received by this time.

✦ **Nativity performances** – We are so excited to tell you that we are busy getting in the Christmas Spirit and have planned our Nativities which will be separate for Nursery, E.Y.F.S and KSI this year.

- E.Y.F.S – Wednesday 3rd December at 4.15pm in Church
Tickets are £2.50 per person and payable on Parentpay
- KSI (Year 1 & 2) – Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th December at 6pm in Church
Tickets are £2.50 per person and are limited to 3 per family, per performance. Please email bursar@st-lawrence.lancs.sch.uk if you would like to go on the waiting list for extra tickets.
- Nursery – Wednesday 17th December at 9.30am in Nursery
Tickets are free but are limited to 2 tickets per family. Please contact Sue Greenhalgh with any queries.

Non-Uniform Day – Friday 28th November


Swap your school uniform for your favourite outfit and help us make the Christmas Fayre Chocolate Tombola amazing! In exchange for wearing non-uniform, please bring along chocolate goodies to donate. This can be anything chocolate-themed, the possibilities are endless:

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|  Boxes, packs, or bars of chocolate |  Chocolate biscuits |
|  Drinking chocolate |  Chocolate spread |
|  Chocolate liqueur |  Chocolate-flavoured cosmetics |

Your sweet donations will create fantastic prizes for our stall at the Christmas Fayre.

Barton Village Hall Christmas Fayre - Saturday 29th November - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Food will be served in the cafe area and we will have the usual array of stalls and activities including tombola, raffle, handmade cakes & chutneys etc. As usual the school will be running a chocolate tombola stall and we have a very exciting visitor flying in to see the children so please don't miss it!! We will therefore hold a non-uniform day on Friday 28th November (details above). The Rose Queen and Retinue are needed for this event please.

 **The Snow Queen, Lancaster** - The P.T.F.A. have again very kindly paid for the whole school to go to watch a Christmas show which this year is – The Snow Queen at The Dukes in Lancaster. The visit will take place on Tuesday 17th December and coaches will leave school for the performance at 9am, please ensure your child is in school for 8.45am on this day as we will need to leave promptly. We will return at around 12.30pm, where the children will have a slightly later packed lunch – choice of sandwiches are available to book on ParentPay now. As this trip has been funded by the P.T.F.A. we are asking parents to pay just £7.50 per child to cover the cost of transport – details are on ParentPay.

 **Babybeat Festive Shopping Event at Barton Village Hall - Wednesday, 26th November 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM** - Get into the Christmas spirit with an amazing selection of stalls offering unique gifts and treats – from beautiful jewellery and stylish homewares to handcrafted items and luxury beauty products. Perfect for ticking off your Christmas shopping list! A fantastic raffle with exciting prizes, delicious refreshments available to purchase and FREE admission ! For more details or to purchase raffle tickets, contact: Helen Lees – 01772 864946 or Rachel Lees – 07813 20997  All proceeds go to the Baby Beat Appeal – supporting babies and families in need.