

# NEWSLETTER

Newsletter 14

December 12th 2025

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



#### Mr. Crook's message

What a magical week it has been at school! We started on Monday with a whole-school trip to the theatre to watch The Snow Queen. The children were absolutely captivated by the performance and represented our school beautifully with their impeccable behaviour - such a proud moment for us all. Year 5 and 6 enjoyed their Christmas Party at the Flowerbowl and it was wonderful to see them having such a fantastic time together. Meanwhile, Year 3 got active this morning with an energising physical workout led by the Female Body Works group - what a great way to start the day! The highlight of the week, without a doubt, was the wonderful nativity performed by our Year I and 2 children on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. Their enthusiasm and talent shone through every moment, leaving us all feeling festive and full of joy. It was lovely to see so many proud faces. A huge thank you to Miss Geraghty, Mrs Rogerson, Mrs Maskell and Miss Burgess for their incredible hard work in planning and preparing such a memorable performance. Your dedication and creativity made this a truly special experience for our children and families. Thank you to all our staff for making this week so extraordinary and to our parents for your continued support. We are so proud of everything our children have achieved!

#### **Upcoming Dates**

**Tues 16**<sup>th</sup> **Dec** – EYFS / KS1 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 18**<sup>th</sup> **Dec** – P.T.F.A. The Grinch Breakfast – details on ParentPay

Winter Wonderland - Details to follow

Christmas Dinner Day

Nursery Christmas Party

Fri 19th Dec – School closes at 1.30pm

Mon 5th Jan 2026 - School Reopens

**Tues 6**<sup>th</sup> **Jan** – Messy Church in Y3 classroom from 3.45pm

Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Jan – Y4 Forest Schools afternoon

**Sun II**<sup>th</sup> **Jan** – Children's Service at St. Lawrence Church – I0am All welcome

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> Jan – Y6 Class Worship at St Lawrence Church 9.15am

**Wed 14**<sup>th</sup> **Jan** – Y4 Residential trip meeting for Parents 5.30pm

Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Jan – Y5 Forest schools afternoon

**Tues 20<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Y4 Class worship at St Lawrence Church 9.15am Library Bus

**Thurs 22**<sup>nd</sup> **Jan** – P.T.F.A movie night – details to follow

Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Jan – Y6 Forest schools afternoon

**Sun 25**<sup>th</sup> **Jan** – Celebration service in school – 10am (Year 3 to present)

### Values Awards -

Congratulations to the following winners -

**ARTICULATION** – Rebecca in Year 5

**CONFIDENCE** – Freddie in Year 2

FORGIVENESS - Grace in Year 6

**GENEROSITY** – Theo in Year I

**HAPPINESS** – Teddie in Year 5

**INDIVIDUALITY** – Abi in Year 3

**INTEGRITY** – Ruby in Year 6

JOY - Omar in Year I

**JUSTICE** – Layton in Year 3

**KINDNESS** – Maddie in Reception

**RESILIENCE** – Henry in Year 2

SERVICE - Yuvraaj 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.

#### Church Christmas service times -

21st December 10am Lessons + Carols

24<sup>th</sup> December 10am Making Christingles in church

4pm Christmas eve - Christingle Service

10pm Christmas Eve Bethlehem Midnight Communion Service

25<sup>th</sup> December 9am Christmas Day Communion

<u>Library Bus</u> – The library bus will be back on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> January. As usual, please can you send your child in to school with their library card and any books to return. You do not need to wait for the library bus day to return your books you can either visit a local library or drop them in with Mrs Higham in the front office - we have a returns box.

**BabyBeat Christmas Shopping Evening** - Thank you to everyone who supported this event over £3800 was raised. We couldn't have done it without you.

**Fizzytree** - HERE COMES 2026! Fizzytree Theatre will be offering places to all pupils in all years groups! ACT - SING - DANCE! Educating children about the theatre and showing them how performing arts can help both on and off the stage! Learn more and sign up for January via the link below:

https://www.fizzytree.co.uk/after-school--morning-workshops.html

#### **Dancing & Sporting Success**



Congratulations to Lola and Eleanor in Year 3 who, last weekend, competed in the All Nations competition at the Winter Gardens in Blackpool. Both girls absolutely shone in the competitions and placed between I<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in multiple categories. Well done girls, what a fabulous achievement!

A big congratulations to our St. Lawrence stars who shone at the Lancashire Athletics Medal Meet representing Preston Harriers! Emma, Matilda, George, Oscar, Erin and Sophie all competed and performed incredibly well coming away with loads of medals. A special mention to Sophie, who stepped up for the UTI scoring relay alongside Emma and Matilda.

Messy Church in St Lawrence's School - We had a great Messy Church in School on 4th November when we thought about Being Brave. The story of Moses and the burning bush set the scene and we joined in the song 'This Little Light of Mine'. Moses had to be brave and we thought about ways that we might have to be brave and how people have shown bravery. This led into thinking about Remembrance and we made poppies out of pipe cleaners. You can see some on the tree in the corner in church. We made our own edible burning bushes out of humous, bread sticks, slices of red peppers and carrots, decorated a candle with shapes and wrote a Be Brave prayer on a post-it leaf to go on the tree. A great time was had by all.

Messy Church hasn't met in December because of all the other activities going on in school. The next one will be on Tuesday 6th January 2026 from 3.45pm in year 3 classroom when we will be exploring BEE - GENEROUS. As the 6th January is the date when the Wise Men arrived to see the baby Jesus we will be celebrating this with a Messy Church Epiphany Party. Lots of food, crafts, fun, games and surprises - and if you can, bring a toy or other gift to go to the Salvation Army.

Messy Church lasts about an hour, it is free of charge and everyone is welcome! Just pop along and join in. It is particularly suited to families, and welcomes all ages. Don't forget 6th January 3.45pm in year 3 classroom come and BEE GENEROUS!