



# ST. LAURENCE'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Welcome back and a Happy New Year to you all

## After School Clubs

We are planning to offer a range of after school clubs, however this will not start until Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January. Further information will be available next week.

## London Trip

We have decided to make the decision to postpone the London trip until June 8<sup>th</sup>, I am sure you will appreciate the reasoning behind this and all things considered the summer term will probably be a more suitable time for the year 6's to enjoy it more.

## Covid

As you can imagine the beginning of term has been challenging in terms of the current context, however as we speak we only have one confirmed case of a pupil having Covid. There are a small number of staff who are isolating in addition to this. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all parents for their support and for promptly communicating any information to us that we need to know with regards to testing. As usual we would still ask you to be vigilant and test your children with lateral flow tests as required and if they are presenting with symptoms.

From next Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January as I am sure you are aware a positive lateral flow test is sufficient for a pupil to isolate for the required period, this needs to be reported to the NHS and confirmation of the message you receive sent to the school.

Mr Matthews

## Current guidance

From Tuesday 11 January in England, people **who do not have symptoms but receive positive Lateral Flow Test results** will be required to self-isolate immediately, and won't be required to take a confirmatory PCR test.

This is a temporary measure while COVID-19 rates remain high across the UK. Under this new approach, anyone who receives a positive LFT result should [report their result on GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk) and must self-isolate immediately, but will not need to take a follow-up PCR test.

After reporting a positive LFT test result, they will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace so that their contacts can be traced.

**If you have symptoms of COVID-19, no matter how mild, you should take a PCR test.**

Children under 5 years are exempt from self-isolation and do not need to take part in daily testing of close contacts.

## Isolating

People who receive negative LFD results on day 6 and day 7 of their self-isolation period – with tests taken 24 hours apart – will no longer have to self-isolate for the full 10 days. The first test must be taken no earlier than day 6 of the self-isolation period.

Those who leave self-isolation on or after day 7 are strongly advised to limit close contact with other people in crowded or poorly ventilated spaces, work from home and minimise contact with anyone who is at higher risk of severe illness if infected with COVID- 19

## NURSERY - School Places

Reminder to parents –please don't forget to register for your child's school place, the cut off date is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

### Dancefest Project

Years 5 and 6 will each be creating a Carbon Footprint themed dance in their PE lessons as part of the Dancefest project. The sessions will aim to inspire and inform through engaging dance and our dance specialist will work in collaboration with the children to create, develop and rehearse choreographies based on carbon footprints; from recycling and renewable energy to freak weather and climate crisis. We have been fortunate to secure the services of Janene Wyatt as our specialist dance teacher who also works at Hereford College of Arts.

The sessions will begin in February. The children will showcase their performances to other local schools at Earl Mortimer College in Leominster just before Easter.

### Diary Dates

#### January

4<sup>th</sup>

#### SCHOOL RE-OPENS

(Tuesday is NOT a PD day as previously advertised)

12<sup>th</sup>

Year 3 Swimming

17<sup>th</sup>

KS2 Sportshall Athletics (selected team)

19<sup>th</sup>

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19<sup>th</sup>

Reception Class Vision screening

25<sup>th</sup>

Y3, Y4 & Y5 Stepping Out

26<sup>th</sup>

Year 3 Swimming

26<sup>th</sup>

Year 6 Bike-ability

27<sup>th</sup>

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28<sup>th</sup>

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31<sup>st</sup>

KS2 Sports Festival PM (selected team)

#### February

1<sup>st</sup>

Y3, Y4 & Y5 Stepping Out

2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 3 swimming

9<sup>th</sup>

Year 3 Swimming

14<sup>th</sup>

KS2 Tag Rugby ( team selected)

15<sup>th</sup>

Year 3 Swimming

18<sup>th</sup>

PD Day

#### March

2<sup>nd</sup>

Year 4 Swimming

7<sup>th</sup>

KS2 Football (team selected)

9<sup>th</sup>

Year 4 Swimming

16<sup>th</sup>

Year 4 Swimming

18<sup>th</sup>

KS2 Cross country (team selected)

23<sup>rd</sup>

Year 4 swimming

30<sup>th</sup>

Year 4 Swimming

#### April

4<sup>th</sup>

Y3 /Y4 Curling/Archery

6<sup>th</sup>

Year 4 Swimming