



ST. LAURENCE'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Friday 30th January 2026

Please could we remind parents to telephone or email the school **before 9am** to notify us of any absence. admin@st-laurenceprimary.com 01584 872766. If we do not hear from you children will be marked as unauthorised.

POLITE REMINDER — We are a **NUT FREE** School – please ensure all packed lunches do not contain nuts to keep our Children and Staff safe. Thank you!

Pickleball Competition

We were delighted to take part in our first ever Pickleball Competition, with eight children from year 5 representing our school. The team showed fantastic determination and sportsmanship as they learned a new game and its rules, competing confidently against some very strong schools. Every child made us incredibly proud with their positive attitudes and teamwork throughout the day. A special **congratulations** goes to Harrison and Henry, who came first overall in the competition- a brilliant achievement! Well done to everyone involved for a successful event and we hope to see more Pickleball in the future.



Special Mentions

Year 1

Dixie
Matilda

Year 2

Enoch
Frederick

Year 3

Erin
Molly



Year 4

Oscar
Rosie

Year 5

Matilda
Maggie

Year 6

Frankie
Henry

Courtesy Cup

This week's courtesy cup winner is Felicity who is always polite around school and in the lunch hall. Well done!



WELL DONE!

This week St Laurence's were proud to receive the below letter from Bridget Phillipson the Secretary of State for Education.



**A message from
Bridget Phillipson**



Dear Stephen,

Congratulations to you and your team on the excellent outcomes the disadvantaged pupils at St Laurence CofE Primary School achieved at the end of the 2024/25 academic year. Your school's performance places it among the very best nationally, and this is a significant achievement.

This success reflects the dedication of your staff and the hard work of your pupils. It shows what can be achieved when ambition and commitment come together. Thank you for everything you do to give children the best possible opportunities to succeed.

Your school's achievements demonstrate what is possible, and I hope you will continue to share your experience and best practice with others. Even the strongest schools can go further. We encourage you to lead the way as a system leader - sharing effective practice, championing networks, supporting collaboration, and helping raise standards across the sector.

There are real opportunities available for you to support improvement for a wider group of pupils including through:

- engaging actively with [your region's RISE networks](#) and partnering with nearby schools and trusts;
- contributing to regional roundtables and professional communities to spread the approaches that are working in your context; and
- sustaining excellence by continuing to focus on disadvantaged pupils

Please pass on my thanks and congratulations to your staff and pupils. I look forward to working with you as we strive together to raise standards for all.

Your sincerely,

Bridget Phillipson

Secretary of State for Education

Diary Dates



February

4 th	Year 4 swimming
10 th	Parents evening
11 th	Parents evening
11 th	Year 5 Class Assembly
11 th	Year 4 swimming
16 th – 20 th	Half Term
23 rd	Year 3 swimming

March

4 th	Year 6 Class Assembly
4 th	Year 3 swimming
4 th	Year 5 Pioneer Centre
5 th	Year 5 Pioneer Centre
6 th	Year 5 pioneer Centre
9 th	Year 6 Bike Ability week
11 th	Year 3 swimming
11 th	Reception Class mothers' day assembly
16 th	Book fair after school
17 th	Book Fair after school
18 th	Book Fair after school
18 th	Year 3 swimming
25 th	Easter Service St Laurence's Church 10.30am
30 th – 10 th April	Easter Holidays

DINOSAUR DISCOVERIES

February Half
Term Family
Activity

2pm - 3.30pm

£5 per
accompanied
4 - 11 year
old

Monday 17th
to Friday 20th
February



Make a dinosaur skeleton to take home.
Look at the size of dinosaurs and
their feet. Learn the meaning behind
some dinosaurs' names, other
dinosaur theme crafts and much
more!

shropshirehillsdiscoverycentre.co.uk



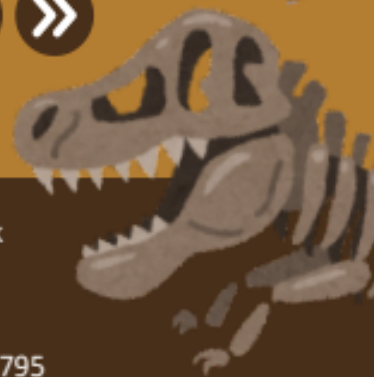
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Grow Cook Learn, a registered charity: 1158795

Shropshire Hills
Discovery Centre





Shrewsbury Town Foundation

February Holiday Clubs

at **The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST**

For children aged 5 to 11, our holiday clubs are open to all abilities with a focus on fun and sports! Groups of mixed age and ability.

16th to 20th February at The Croud Meadow, SY2 6ST

Scan the QR code or visit our website to book a single day for £18

foundationstfc.co.uk/fun

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