

**ST LAWRENCE CHURCH OF ENGLAND
VOLUNTARY AIDED PRIMARY SCHOOL**

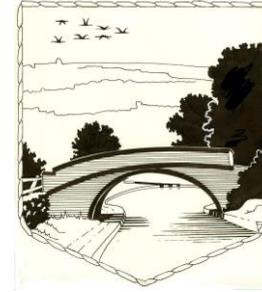
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Dear Parents,

A warm welcome back as we start our Summer Term and a special hello to the new children and their families joining us. We hope you all had an enjoyable Easter.

Last term, we welcomed back Eve King who joins us in the afternoons and is already busy as keyworker to some of the children; a list of keyworkers is displayed on the entrance door but if you have any questions please do let Maria know.

Some important information:

Outdoor space

As the outdoors is simply an extension of our curriculum here at Little Lawrences and with Summer on its way can you please ensure that you child has a hat and sun cream has been applied prior to school on the warmer days and when you feel necessary. Unfortunately we are unable to put on sun cream at school. Where possible please label all clothing. Outdoors is full of interesting and fascinating experiences where deep-level learning can take place on a daily basis.

Lily pads

We love to celebrate your children's achievements at Little Lawrences and parents are encouraged to fill in Lily Pads when your child does something 'wow' that you haven't seen them do before. These Lily pads are read out during Friday Assembly in the unit and added to your child's learning journal.

Lastly we look forward to an interesting and busy Summer term at Little Lawrences.

Thank you.

The Early Years Team

Communication, Language and Literacy

This term, we will be doing the following:

- Encouraging children to speak confidently in a group setting.
- Encouraging good listening skills and following instructions.
- Introducing a 'bedtime book' scheme where children can select books from school to read at home.
- Planning different endings to the stories, character descriptions etc
- Retelling/acting out stories, using puppets
- Opportunities to listen to familiar tales and to discuss similarities and differences within the stories
- Learning our Jolly phonics letter sounds.
- Inviting parents and carers to share their hobbies and interests with us.
- Using 'Helicopter stories' to encourage children to make up their own stories, acting them out to the group.

Physical development.

This term, we will be doing the following:

- Strengthening our core muscles through Yoga in the hall and crossing our mid-line to encourage better listening and focus skills.
- Practice mark making by using different parts of our body whilst listening to music.
- Practicing our scissor skills.
- Encouraging independence with dressing, putting on shoes and hand washing.
- Completing daily risk assessments of the unit to evaluate our own risks.
- Incorporating 'Squiggle whilst you wiggle' a movement activity in the hall to music to help with our mark making activities.

Personal, Social, and Emotional development

This term, we will be doing the following:

- Thinking about what makes us special, thinking of ourselves in a positive way.
- Sharing our interests and things we are good at.
- Getting to know each other
- Turn taking games
- Learning to think of others
- Introducing small responsibilities
- Thinking about our British values and Christian values; focusing on the story of 'The Good Samaritan'.

Little Lawrence's Curriculum letter Summer Term 2019

*This term we will be learning all about
'Fairytale' alongside following the
children's interests.*

Understanding the world

This term, we will be doing the following:

- Visiting different countries around the world, by tasting, seeing and touching various items, foods and drink.
- Looking at things which make us different from other people and cultures.
- Exploring how we celebrate special occasions.
- Visiting the farm.
- Exploring the tablets, with age appropriate games.
- Exploring similarities and differences in our life's and fictional stories.
- Thinking about how we care for God's creatures.

Expressive arts and design

This term, we will be doing the following:

- Discovering what we can create by using one 'dot'.
- Creating collages of ourselves.
- Creating houses for the three bears using different blocks and media.
- Exploring texture, smells and tastes as we explore different plants and flowers.
- Using our home role play corner to engage in imaginative play.
- Moving to a rhythm.
- Imitating the movements of different animals.
- Exploring colour and how it can be changed.

Mathematics

This term, we will be doing the following:

- Continuing our 'Number of the Week' sessions, what does the number represent and how is it formed?
- Lots of counting songs and rhymes
- 2D shape recognition
- Sorting and counting activities using natural objects
- Learning days of the week/months of the year/birthdays through songs.
- Exploring weight and ordering lengths of objects.
- Learning about positional language.
- Strengthening our critical thinking skills through activities with the 'mystery Bag', what is in the bag? What can we use it for?