



We all survive more than we think we can *Joan Didion*

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Discovery Channel Pledge Day

We are so delighted at how much staff at the Discovery Channel engaged with our pledges..... They think the children at St Lawrence are AMAZING – and we agree! Keep your eyes peeled on facebook this evening to see a compilation of some of the videos and posters they made for us, as well as some of the pledges pupils have made!



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'Not Really!' is the answer. How many different questions can you think of?

Winning Answer by Rowen in Foundation Stage

If you went to an outside swimming pool in the winter, would you go in?

Winning Answer by Joshua in Year 2

Would you like to have a whale as a pet?

Winning Answer by Lorelei in Year 5

Do you think anyone in our lifetime will find out what is in a black hole?

Headteacher Awards

Trei in Squares;
ALL of Year 2;
Elijah, Logan and
Noah in Year 5



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CELEBRATING EACH OTHER, AND THE JOURNEY WE ARE ON

Drop off at the Gate

Please be really mindful at the gate in the morning that there are lots of anxious children whose grownups are needing to help them come through the gates whilst minimising upset. The area outside of the gate gets extremely busy, please do be sensitive to the families who are finding the process more difficult than others and make sure you and your child are giving space. There is no rush! We'd rather everyone came in safely and happily than quickly. Thank you!

Latest Covid-19 Advice from ECC

If a pupil in your child's class tests positive for Covid-19, we will contact the parents and carers of all other children in the class to ask that they also take a PCR test.

PCR test can be arranged online by following this link: www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test. If you cannot use the online service, call 119. Lines are open 7am to 11pm.

As always, if you have any questions, please do just let us know. Thank you so much.

Individual Photos

Proofs for your child's individual and sibling photos will be coming home within the next ten days. You will have until 27th October to take advantage of free delivery (to school). You can still place an order after this time, but will need to pay for home delivery. I've had a peak and they're all LOVELY!

Amazing Connor!

Connor in Year 4 is currently doing an amazing job at fundraising for the Donkey Sanctuary. His target was £100, which he's already smashed by selling craft creations he's been making with his mum and selling raffle tickets for a handmade donkey blanket. For information and ways in which you can help please visit their Facebook page [here](#). Great work Connor we think you're AMAZING.



Zooming in Year 1

As part of the learning about Judaism in RE, Year 1 had a zoom meeting with Linda from the Colchester Community Synagogue. She showed the children important objects in Judaism and explained why they were so important, and she answered all their amazing questions. The children loved speaking with Linda and especially enjoyed learning about the Star of David. During the coming weeks they will also experience zoom sessions about Christianity and Islam.



Squid Game

Many of you will have heard of or watched a new television program called Squid Game, which has very adult content, despite being centered around traditional children's games. We've noticed that a lot of children on the playground have been playing versions of 'squid game'. We are keeping a close eye and ensuring the games remain age appropriate, but wanted to let you at home know just in case children are accessing the program via YouTube or Tick Tock without your knowledge.

Children discussing the program are in Years 5 and 6. If you have any questions or concerns please just let us know.

Rowhedge Food Bank

Please do continue to let me know if you need a top up of food for any reason. We know how squeezed so many families are, and Rowhedge Food Bank are stocked and ready to help.

Likewise, if you know anyone outside of the school community who could do with some help, they can call either me or the food bank directly on 07510 896502.

