



I have never ever considered myself a failure *Eddie the Eagle (the human)*

25th Nov 2021

Eddie the Eagle

This week we were lucky enough to be visited by the wonderful Eddie the Eagle and Luke from Colchester United, as a follow up to their last assembly. It was fantastic to hear the children share what they had been doing and thinking about since their last anti-racism assembly, and they were so impressed with their ideas and dedication.



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THUNK

**Can you think of a new word of your own?
Write down its definition**

Winning Answer by Joyce in Foundation Stage

A rabbit is called a carrot biter because it eats carrots.

Winning Answer by Minnie in Year 2

Scwigglschwog means when you giggle and wiggle at the same time.

Winning Answer by Archie in Year 5

If there was a word added into the dictionary, it would be 'speck' and it means – big-hearted and kind

Headteacher Awards

Jamie, George P,
Betty, Charlie, Byron
& Rebecca in Year 2



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CELEBRATING EACH OTHER, AND THE JOURNEY WE ARE ON

Music Lessons

Next term we are really hoping to be able to host one to one music lessons in school again, facilitated by Essex Music Services. The lessons can be 15, 20, or 30 minutes long, and take place once a week during the school day.

We have many instruments in school that we can loan to families who don't want to commit to buying an instrument just yet, like guitars and keyboards.

Children have always loved their music lessons, and the tutors we've had here in the past are extended members of the St Lawrence family. If you would like to sign up, make sure you do so using the link sent home via Ping, and you will be invoiced directly by Essex Music Services.

If you have any questions at all, or would like me to resend the letter, just let me know.

Nativity Filming

Practice and filming for the Year 2 Nativity, with songs from Foundation Stage and Year 1, is well under way! We cannot tell you how amazing it's been to hear a the school be full of songs.

Keep your eyes peeled for the Evening Gazette on Thursday 16th December, where there will be a schools nativity special.

Parking

We have been asked by a local resident to share that they believe driveways are sometimes being blocked by cars during school pickups and drop-offs. We know how difficult parking is, and that parents and carers need to get imaginative with where they park – but please do avoid blocking driveways or indeed parking anywhere unpermitted. Thank you so much.

PCR Testing

If your child has one of the three key symptoms (loss of taste and smell, a new and continuous cough, a high temperature); they must isolate for 10 days unless they obtain a negative PCR test result NOT a lateral flow test.

If we have sent you a letter to advise that your child has been in close contact with a positive case, they do not need to isolate but we ask that they are booked in for a PCR test NOT a lateral flow test.

Cases are rapidly rising, and these measures are in place to protect the children, their families, and the school community.

We know that the rules can seem overwhelming and confusing. Please do just call us if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you to all those working hard to help keep everyone safe. We know the guidelines can be difficult and inconvenient, but they are important.

Year 4 Football Tournament

We COULD not be more proud of Charlie, Drew, Isabelle, Isabella, George, Logan, Leyton, and Kamari in Year 4 who attended a school consortium football-tournament this week. They were the most incredible ambassadors for St Lawrence, showing all the other schools what a hardworking, friendly, and supportive team they were. We have received feedback from multiple schools about how impressed they were with the children. WELL DONE TEAM!



A very special visit

We were VERY lucky today to be visited by Fire Officer Key Harris. She met with Year 4 as part of their Great Fire of London topic, and Foundation Stage as part of their People Who Help Us topic. We are always so excited to hear what amazing questions the children ask, and were really impressed with how engaged they all were. THANK YOU Kay, we also find YOU very impressive!!



Drop off at the Front

If you are running late and therefore need to drop off at the front entrance, you MUST sign your child in on the iPad at reception. It is extremely important for safety as it is now the only way the online register marks them as present. PLEASE also do not open the front gate in order to drive in, during the times where this is shut it must remain shut. Thank you!