

Laurel Lane Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs N Moffatt

Safeguarding Lead: Miss E Attwood



Key Information

The children are busily practicing their songs for their Christmas concerts and we hope that many of you will be able to attend. They have also been completing assessments in class and we are very proud of how hard they have been working. Our Year 4 pupils enjoyed an exciting visit to Pizza Express, where they learned how to make their own delicious pizzas. The staff were very impressed with how well-behaved and enthusiastic the children were throughout the trip. We are preparing a range of additional festive events that will be taking place in the coming weeks. We will share the dates of these soon (look out for these on Class Dojo) and the children are already looking forward to the activities. We appreciate your continued support as we head towards the end of the Autumn term.

Safeguarding Information

Safeguarding Team: Miss Attwood, Mrs Moffatt, Mrs Rowden & Mrs Keenan

Is TikTok safe for children?

A recent report by Ofcom highlighted that over half of 3-17-year-olds are using TikTok. TikTok is a video-sharing platform where you can watch and create videos, and livestream. The app has an age-rating of 13+. Users can browse different videos on TikTok via a personalised feed known as the 'For You Page'. You can also search for content using topics or hashtags. TikTok can be a creative outlet for young people aged 13+ as it allows them to learn about video editing and discover new interests. However, it can be easy for children and young people to come across inappropriate content on the app.

<p>ENABLE FAMILY PAIRING</p> <p>Family Pairing allows parents to link their TikTok account with their child's and control their settings remotely. Parents can then, for example, turn on Restricted Mode (reducing the chances of a child seeing inappropriate content); set screen time limits; and manage their child's ability to send messages (and to whom). Children can't alter these settings without parental approval.</p>	<p>MAKE ACCOUNTS PRIVATE</p> <p>Although under-16s will have their TikTok account set to private by default, bypassing this setting is relatively easy. However, parents have the ability to manually set their child's account to private – meaning that their videos won't be visible to strangers and they won't be able to exchange messages with people who aren't on their friends list.</p>	<p>LIMIT IN-APP SPENDING</p> <p>If your child is using an iPhone or Android device to access TikTok, you can alter the settings to prevent them from making in-app purchases. We'd recommend that you enable this feature, as it's quite easy for a young person – without realising what they're doing – to spend a significant amount of real money buying TikTok coins so they can unlock more features of the app.</p>
<p>DISCUSS THE DANGERS</p> <p>If your child wants to use TikTok and you're happy for them to do so, it's crucial to talk about the potential risks in this type of app. For example, ensure they understand not to share any identifying personal information – and that they realise they could be exposed to inappropriate content. Thinking critically about what they see on TikTok can help children become generally more social media savvy.</p>	<p>READ THE SIGNS</p> <p>If you're concerned that your child might be spending too much time on TikTok, or that they've been emotionally affected by something inappropriate or upsetting that they've seen, it's important to know how to spot the possible signs. Increased irritability and a lack of concentration are potential red flags, as are failing to complete homework or regularly not eating meals.</p>	

How to contact us:

In person: The school office is open 8.15am to 4pm Monday to Friday

By phone: 01895 462 360 **By email:** laurellane@fraysacademytrust.org

Reporting absence: attendance@fraysacademytrust.org

Attendance

Attendance Shout Outs WB 17/11/2025

Upper school: 6TS 98.40%
Lower school: 2BW 99.50%

Attendance Reminder:

Learning Builds Daily

Lessons are linked from day to day. Missing school can make it harder for children to keep up and understand new topics.



Breakfast Club Reminder

Our Breakfast Club is open every day from 7.45am to 8.45am for children in Reception to Year 6. They can enjoy a choice of breakfast items and a drink. They also have the opportunity to play in a safe environment.

The cost of attending Breakfast Club is £3 per child, per day and is payable via ParentPay. We offer a free breakfast to children entitled to Pupil Premium funding.

Please speak to the school office for more information.



Dates for the Diary

December:

- Monday 1st: Rock Steady Concert at 215pm
- Friday 5th: Book Look- Parents are invited in to see their child's work (830-850am)
- Thursday 11th: Year 2 and 3 Christmas Concert for parents at 9am
- Thursday 11th: Year 4, 5 and 6 Christmas Concert for parents at 245pm
- Monday 15th: Nasal/Injectable Flu Vaccinations
- Tuesday 16th: Christmas Dinner- Children can wear their Christmas Jumpers
- Tuesday 16th: Reception Christmas Even for parents at 230pm
- Wednesday 17th: Pond Christmas Events for parents at 1045am & 230pm
- Thursday 18th: Year 1 Christmas Event for parents at 230pm



Awards Wall

Above and Beyond Reading Champions Maths Champions

1AK: Hassan

2BW: David

2ME: Albert

3NM: Adam

3RB: Umaima

4AM: Whole class

5JR: Hassan

5MG: Anas

6HO: Nikodem

6TS: Sofia S

1AK: Johnchristopher

2BW: Zian

2ME: Sarino

3NM: Basit

3RB: Adyan

4AM: Illa

5JR: Sophie

5MG: Aman

6HO: Arham

6TS: Mikolaj

1AK: Emily

2BW: Yusra

2ME: Olivia

3NM: Michael

3RB: Holly

4AM: Ahmad

5JR: Indiana

5MG: Tifarra

6HO: Sylvie

6TS: Zack

PARENTS AND CARERS WORKSHOP

Join local officers and partner services for an information evening. Learn how to spot the early signs of child criminal exploitation and grooming and the support available.

DATE
Weds 3rd
December

7.00pm -8.30pm

PLACE
Online - register via QR
code below to book your
spot!



THE CHOIR OF ST GEORGE'S CHAPEL, WINDSOR CASTLE



Girls and Boys

in Y2-3 are invited to apply to attend one of our

Chorister for a Day

events to be held on

Sunday 18 January & Sunday 25 January 2026

from 12.30pm to 6.30pm at St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, Windsor SL4 1NJ

Advance booking is essential, with priority given to children in Year 3.

Closing date for applications: Sunday 11 January 2026

Please contact Francesca Alden Email cfad@stgeorges-windsor.org

www.stgeorges-windsor.org/events/cfad2026

Chorister for a Day is a wonderful opportunity for girls and boys aged 6-8 (Yrs 2-3 at school) and their parents and carers to experience a day as a chorister in our world-famous choir of children and professional adult singers. New choristers typically join the choir at the start of Year 4 and this event is designed to help potential choristership applicants find out more about life as a chorister ahead of auditions in February. The programme of events will include various activities, ending with the Chorister for a Day participants taking part in Choral Evensong with the Choir of St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle.



Choristers at St George's rehearse every weekday morning and sing services on four weekdays and on a Sunday (Saturdays are mostly commitment free). This schedule develops not only their musical talents, but nurtures key skills such as leadership, team work, and time management. The Choristers are educated and board part-time at St George's School on generous scholarships, and limited means-tested bursaries may be available. The choristers all receive singing lessons from one of the UK's finest teachers of young voices, and receive instrumental and theory tuition. More information on all aspects of being a chorister will be available at *Chorister for a Day*.

The Choir was founded in 1348, and is now a choir of mixed girl and boy choristers and adult lay clerks (both male and female who provide the alto, tenor and bass parts). The choir sings regularly in the presence of His Majesty the King and other members of the Royal family, at annual events such as Garter Day and Easter Sunday Mattins, and at special events. In 2018, this included singing at both Royal Weddings in St George's Chapel: for The Duke and Duchess of Sussex in May, and for HRH Princess Eugenie and Mr Jack Brooksbank in October. In September 2022 the choir sang at the Committal Service for Her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II in St George's Chapel. The choir released a CD of Christmas music in 2019 on the Hyperion label which was met with critical acclaim, and a recording with the Band of the Household Cavalry was released in November 2022. The choir has also broadcast on radio, most recently in May 2024 with Choral Evensong (BBC Radio 3), and given concerts in the Windsor Festival and the Thaxted Festival.



It is important to note that we are not looking for musical stars at this stage – we are looking for children between the ages of six and eight who have the potential to develop their fledgling musical talent, who would like to consider the opportunity of applying for a choristership, and above all who would enjoy this sort of event.

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