

# Parent / Carer Bulletin



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Week Commencing 6<sup>th</sup> June 2022

## Headteacher's Update

Dear all

This morning I heard of the shooting in the elementary school in Texas. The horror of this is something I just cannot conceive and I hope you will join me in praying for, and thinking of, the families and children whose lives are now irrevocably changed.

When our own students are facing the challenges of the examination season, this brings into stark perspective how fortunate we are in many ways. As we now approach the half term break, I hope you have some time to spend with your children.

I wish you a restful, safe and peaceful break.

Mr Farrer

WEEK A	CALENDAR
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Y10 Work Experience WEEK</b></li><li>• Y11 Pre-Exam Maths Revision; from 3:15pm</li></ul>
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Y11 Geography Revision &amp; Break Up 'Last Day'; 10:45am – 12:30pm</li></ul>
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Y11 Pre-Exam Briefing; 08:30am – 08:45am</li></ul>
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Summer Production Rehearsal; Trinity 3:15pm – 5:00pm</li></ul>
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Y11 Pre-Exam Briefing for GCSE English Language; 08:30am – 08:45am</li><li>• Summer Production Rehearsal; Trinity 3:15pm – 5:00pm</li></ul>

### Collective Worship: Term 6 Theme - Sustainability

God, please help us,  
Whether we have  
Faith or no faith, to...

Gain the wisdom to care for the earth.  
Help us to act now for the good of future generations.  
Help us to become instruments of a new sustainable way of living.  
May we see sustainability as a realistic goal within our community.  
We hope that all the acts of kindness continue into the future.  
Let us create real and long-lasting change for all our community.



The Bradford on Avon Foodbank, a local charity affiliated to [Trussell Trust](#), has asked us to remind our parents and carers of their service to support families who may in short term need of help after finding themselves in difficult circumstances.

To access the service, please visit their website [Get Help | Bradford on Avon Foodbank](#) where you will find all the information needed to request three day's supply of store cupboard provisions.

On a temporary basis only, the foodbank is waiving the usual referral processes and you only need to let them know that you have been referred by St Laurence School.

### **From: Mr Dutton – Deputy Headteacher**

#### **Year 9 Black Rock Trip**

Letters about the final arrangements for this trip have been emailed to parents and carers, please take time to read through this carefully.

A reminder that the kit list is in the Downloads section on the school website: [Outdoor Education | St Laurence School \(st-laurence.com\)](#)

Hard copies can also be obtained from Student Reception.

#### **Year 10 Bronze DofE Assessment Expedition - 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> June**

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### **From: The Careers Team**

#### **In Careers this week, we have:**

.....really enjoyed watching 60 Y9 students take part in the STEM activity day with the Army on Thursday, They were involved in a series of STEM activities, such as building and propelling a go-kart, team tasks, laying cables and a series of building challenges. It was a hugely positive day and our thanks to the students involved for their excellent participation.

.....been finishing off the final touches with Y10 for their Work Experience week just after half term. We have been delighted with the quality of the placements and wish to congratulate them on doing so well to find them, no mean feat post-pandemic! We wish them all the best for the week and look forward to visiting them during the week with cameras in hand and hearing all about their experiences.

**From: The Connect Team**

Term 5 edition of Connect is now available on our website:  
[Newsletters – Connect | St Laurence School \(st-laurence.com\)](https://st-laurence.com/newsletters-connect)

Connect is a collaboration between students and staff and this term’s magazine features welcomes and farewells, victories in sport and triumph on stage.... plus lots more! We hope you enjoy reading it!



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**From: Mr Morris – Maths & Computing Teacher/STEM Coordinator**

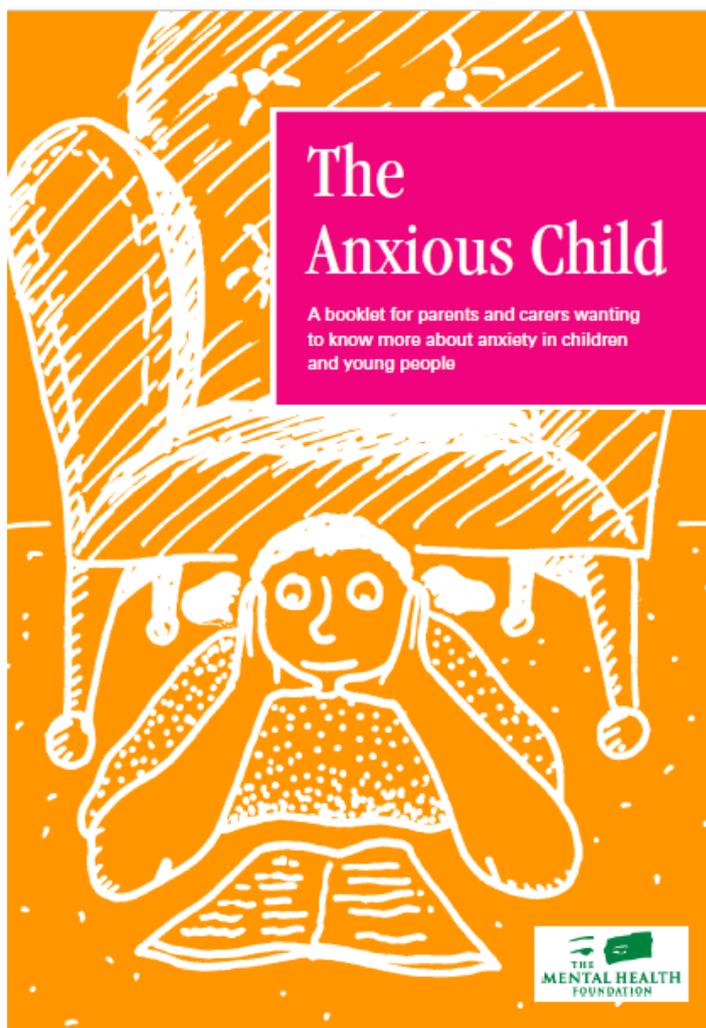
Congratulations to our STEM Club students who won the Robot Design award (and finished second in the speed challenge) at the @ChallengeRobots event which took place in Exeter on Wednesday 25th May.



**The winning trophy on display in the Trophy Cabinet in Reception**

A new resource has been added to the website. Published by the **Mental Health Foundation** it explains anxiety disorders in children, what they are caused by and how parents can help children who are affected.

Find it here: [Student Health and Wellbeing | St Laurence School \(st-laurence.com\)](http://st-laurence.com)



**From: Mrs Nash – Head of Drama**

**BUGSY MALONE TRIP**

The trip to see 'Bugsy Malone' on 6<sup>th</sup> July is now full and there is a waiting list.

Students who have been successful in gaining a place will get a letter after half term asking them to pay via ParentPay.

**Please note: failure to make payment by the required date will result in the place being reallocated so please ensure that you act promptly on receipt of the letter.**

Unfortunately, this trip clashes with the rearranged 'Chance to Dance' and students who have committed to the performance must make that a priority.

We apologise for any disappointment but there will be other opportunities to see more productions in the future.

Mrs Nash

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## Sports News and Fixtures

	<b>Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June</b>
Home Game			
Away Game	U15 Rounders Tournament; John of Gaunt School	Y7-8 Cricket v Corsham School; Corsham Cricket Club 2:00pm – 6:00pm	West Wilts Super 8's Athletics; Dauntsey's School

### Have you signed your child up for the new PE after school clubs yet?

The clubs are free of charge to St Laurence students and you can find out more information on how to sign them up here: [After School | St Laurence School \(st-laurence.com\)](https://www.st-laurence.com/after-school)

<b>Term 5 and 6 PE Clubs</b>		
<b>Day</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>Monday</b>	KS3 Boys' Cricket	Field
<b>Tuesday</b>	Girls' Cricket Athletics (all years)	Field Meet in the gym
<b>Wednesday</b>	Tennis (all years)	Astro
<b>Thursday</b>	Rounders (boys and girls) all years Girls' Rugby Baseball	Field Field Field



Join us for a special 'Jubilee'  
**FANCY DRESS COMPETITION**

**Friday 3 June, 11am - Culver Close**  
BoA Lions Club - Jubilee Fun Day

**Entry is FREE and the competition is open to children aged 14 and under.**

**Judging categories: Age 0-5 | Age 6-9 | Age 10-14**  
**1st and 2nd prize in each category**

**Come dressed as a Queen, King, Prince or Princess, past or present, or even a Corgi (there are no limitations!). It could be a costume themed around the number 70 or a notable event during the Queen's reign.**

Show up on the day in a great fancy dress outfit and make sure you let one of our volunteers know you'd like to enter.

For more information visit [www.boalions.org.uk](http://www.boalions.org.uk)

