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This year the Embassy Theatre, Skegness are proud to announce the inclusion of a relaxed performance within our Pantomime season – the first of its kind for this Theatre.

On **Monday 18 December** the **1.30pm** performance will be specially adapted to be sensitive to and accepting of audience members who may benefit from a more relaxed environment, including (but not limited to) those on the autistic spectrum, anyone with sensory loss and communication disorders or people with learning disabilities.

This performance is designed for groups, individuals and families of any age with the aim of meeting the needs of people who may find it difficult to attend a more traditional performance.

Within our show we aim to minimise loud noises, bright/flashing lights and create an informal atmosphere to allow people who may need to move around, make noise or just take a break. The usual rules of sitting still and being quiet don't apply.

But – this is not all – Aladdin the Pantomime Spectacular (the relaxed performance) will have further dimensions added with **\*signed interpretation** from BSL performer **EMMA HRYCAK**, **audio descriptive narration** by the Pantomime Writer/Director **GARY STARR** and for those who would find a touch-sensory experience beneficial pre-show **character familiarisation** is also available by prior arrangement.



To book or enquire call our Box Office Team on **01507 613100** or get your tickets online

### DATES TO REMEMBER

OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
20th Term Finishes	13th Anti Bullying Week	20th Term Finishes
31st Term Starts / Halloween dress up day	14th 1st Ann. of the opening of The Avenue	25th Christmas Day
	17th Children In Need	31st News Years Eve

## St. Bernard's School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We come to the end of Term 1 following a busy seven weeks!

Students in main school have enjoyed the topic of Magic which has included cooking (serving biscuits and drinks from 'Alice in Wonderland'), dressing up and making bubbly cauldrons as part of a sensory story from 'The Worst Witch' and exploring the 'magic' of nature by making 'active' volcanoes!

Students in 14-16 class have started to explore the world of work by finding out what different jobs entail both on and off the site including the Meridian leisure centre and the animal unit at St Lawrence's as well as continuing to develop independence in life skills.

Students in Post 16 have worked on actively developing their use of LRAC by making and serving snacks in a pop up café, using catering facilities to make their own lunch and also accessing the community to develop social communication.

We have welcomed Dan Hawbrook from the safeguarding board to talk to students, staff and parents about internet safety. Vicar Matt has been into school to talk about the magic of the natural world and also to receive the harvest festival collection hamper organised by students in middle school at Trinity Church.

I hope you have an enjoyable break and we look forward to next term's topic of 'To infinity and beyond'!

Best wishes

Ann

## St. Lawrence School

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Dear Parents/Carers

We have had a really busy term and can't believe how quickly it has gone! We have had lots of students out on trips and visits as well as professionals visiting us such as SoundLincs and Dan Hawbrook (E Safety expert). We are continuing to support our students to develop their understanding of global and cultural issues including our current shoe box appeal.

We were really pleased with how well our new parent sessions were attended and how positive the meetings had been. If you have any suggestions as to how this could be developed further please don't hesitate to contact me. We have also had the opportunity for parents to attend school on a few occasions to support MacMillan coffee morning and our own tea afternoon to raise funds for our outdoor area. I am pleased to report that we have now raised £3,500 towards this project and will be able to start the planning process soon.

There have been some changes in lower school classroom bases and teaching teams to support individual students' needs and abilities more effectively and we will also be implementing a few changes in upper school following the departure of Mr Peter Evans at the end of term 2. If you have any questions or comments please contact your child's class team, your child's teaching and learning leader (Martin Chatterton for lower school and Sue Clinton in middle and upper school) or myself.

I hope you have a good break and students come back rested and ready for the new term and lead up to Christmas. We will continue to send out class newsletters highlighting what will be covered during the term for your child and how you can help and support. As always if you have any ideas or suggestions as to how we can continue to develop please don't hesitate to contact me.

Best wishes

Michelle

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to the last newsletter of this first term for 2017 / 18 academic year.

Over the last few weeks students have been settling into new routines, groups and opportunities and experiencing the new curriculum being delivered across LWF.

Following the staff training on the new assessment system, all students are being 'baselined' across subject areas currently and evidence is being collected on the new 'evisense' system. As I said, as we become more used to the new system we will then begin sharing information with you across this in the new year, so look out for more info and instructions next term.

All across LWF we have also been reviewing the development and sharing celebrations. This has then developed into future planning for the coming year. These will be accessible on the website once shared with the staff team and Advocates, at the end of the first week back.

As always we welcome feedback on any aspects of school in supporting us to look at different approaches and planning, so do keep telling us what you think and pass on your ideas.

If you have any comments, questions or concerns please contact your class team, Teaching and Learning leader, Head of School or myself at any time.

Best wishes

Lea, Executive Head

## SoundLincs Showcase with Students



Pupils from across the federation enjoyed the visit of a world voices singing workshop this week. The workshop, part of Soundlincs, visited the federation at St Lawrence

school and showcased traditional songs and dance from nations around the world. The workshop comprised of performers from Jordan and Ethiopia, as well as some local musicians. Children from both of the LWF sites attended and thoroughly enjoyed being wowed and entertained by the performers, and took every opportunity they could to join in and interact with the musicians! Many thanks to Soundlincs for providing such an enjoyable and informative day for our pupils.



## Shoe Box Appeal



Have you changed any of your contact details recently? Please let your school know as soon as possible if you have had any changes to your address, phone number, emergency contact numbers; email address etc.

LWF have been approached by the Rotary Club to help them with their annual Shoebox Scheme to give gifts to those in need in Eastern Europe.



## Shoe Boxes

This scheme has been running for 11 years and has supplied over a million gifts to vulnerable children and elderly people in children's homes, hospitals and long term refugee camps. This small gift can give them a much needed boost when things for them may look to be at its worst.

A letter will be circulated after half term to detail how we will deal with donations, so that they can be delivered to the Rotary Club on the 17th November.

## Harvest Festival

As part of our community engagement, St Bernard's pupil Dylan coordinated a food collection.

Thank you to everyone who responded to Dylan's advert in last weeks newsletter, as he had quite the hamper; which he delivered to the Trinity Church food larder on Monday.

Afterwards he went shopping to buy birthday food for one of



his class mate's birthday party.



## Volcanic Explosions

This week we have been making volcanos using fizzy drinks and mint sweets.



We are sure their shopping requests make sense to you now!



## Travel Training Trip to Skegness for Lunch

Our Key stage 4 students have been learning how to travel using public transport. We used our bus passes to travel the number 6 to Skegness.

We went shopping at Morrisons and had our lunch in their café.

We chose, ordered and paid for our lunches independently.



## Lost Property

The office at St Lawrence is building up a collection of lost property including jumpers, jackets and cuddly toys.

Can we please request that all school items are labelled with your child's name so we can return them if they get found.

If you would like to check if we have an item, please call reception and we will check for you.

## e-safety—Your Guide to What's Out There



**POKEMON GO** is a game, downloaded as an app on a smartphone. Players walk around the real world with the aim of catching Pokemon (Pocket Monsters). There are 150 Pokemon altogether and the aim is to capture them all by virtually throwing a ball at them via their mobile phone.

The app uses GPS to show where you are in the real world and some Pokemon will only appear in certain areas or terrains. Pokemon can also be 'hatched' from an egg which requires the

user to walk a certain distance e.g. 2, 5 or 10km. As there are 150 across different locations a player will be required to travel, especially if they live in a village or small town.

A player has to be 13 to sign up but does not have a chat facility and usernames are not visible to others unless it is left at the gym. Like many free mobile games, there are items that can be bought to improve or extend the playing session. Always ensure that the phone has a password for every purchase.

There are some things to think about when playing the game, especially for children.

Players need to walk with their phone, so may be unaware of dangers around them such as busy roads, lamp posts—the phone does vibrate when a Pokemon is near so use this feature to stay safe.

The game encourages users to get together which means that children/young people will mix with strangers and may be lured into finding 'rare' Pokemons. The safest way to play is with trusted friends and family.