

Headteacher's Update – 19.9.25

Dear Parents,

This week the children have been learning about the importance of the symbol of the cross and why it is important in our faith. To support you in talking and praying with your child at home, please take a look at the latest newsletter from Ten:Ten

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

The September resources focus on the love of God. Children will learn that God's desire is for us to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him by sharing His love with those around us. By growing in generous love toward others, we can experience more of God's love for us.

Celebrating Success

We are proud to announce that our school has again been awarded the **Mode Shift Stars Outstanding Award** – the highest level of recognition for our school travel plan and sustainable travel initiatives. This celebrates the brilliant effort from pupils, families and staff in supporting safer, healthier and more eco-friendly journeys to school. Thank you to Mrs Hamshire for all her hard work and to you for your support – this award belongs to all of us!

Parking Considerately

It is wonderful so many of you are finding sustainable ways to travel to school. Sadly, however, we have already received complaints from residents about **unsafe and inconsiderate parking** at drop-off and pick-up. Parking across driveways, double parking, or stopping in unsafe places causes frustration and puts children at risk.

Please:

- Park safely and legally
- Avoid blocking driveways or stopping in the road
- Walk, scoot or cycle if you can – or park a little further away and walk the last few minutes

Together we can keep our children safe and maintain positive relationships with our neighbours.

Keeping Everyone Safe on Site

A reminder that **bikes and scooters must be walked** on the playgrounds before and after school to avoid accidents. Children should also **not use the play equipment** – including the new Y1 obstacle course – outside school hours, when playgrounds are busy. These rules are there to keep everyone safe. Thank you for reinforcing them with your children.

Attendance – Every Day (and hour) Counts

This year we are focusing strongly on **excellent attendance**. Being in school every day and staying until the end of the day is vital for children's learning, confidence and wellbeing.

The Department for Education places great importance on attendance, and we know from experience that every minute of learning time matters.

Recently we've had more requests for children to be **collected early** – while we understand that emergencies happen, this should not be the norm. Please support us by ensuring your child is in school, on time, all day, every day.

House Captains

Congratulations to our newly elected House and Vice Captains:

- **Gray:** Harry & Freya
- **Keats:** Henry & Alzira
- **Milton:** Bella & Malin
- **Wordsworth:** Olivia H & Aaron

We are so proud of them – and of all the children who stood for election. Putting yourself forward takes real bravery, one of our core values, and everyone who took part gained valuable experience. Although we recognise that some children will naturally be disappointed, there will be plenty more opportunities for children to take on roles and responsibilities this year.

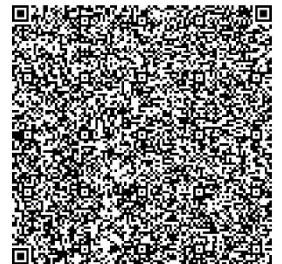
MacMillan

We're pleased to announce we will be raising money for MacMillan by hosting a coffee morning on Thursday 25th September from 9am-10am in the school main hall.



You should have received further information on this event already, we look forward to seeing you then.

If you're unable to attend but would like to still donate, simply scan the QR code or click this link to donate straight to fundraising page. [StLouis- Justgiving, MacMillan page](#)



There will also be a cookie sale for the children on this day. You will receive a separate letter with more information.

Thank You

As always, thank you for your support in making our school a safe, successful and inspiring place for children to learn and grow. Working together, we can ensure our school remains a place where children flourish and feel proud.

Best wishes,

Mrs Machin



Learning at St Louis
Nursery



We have been learning: our daily prayer this week.

**You can help at home by: saying our prayer together; Dear God
Thank you for our family and all the things you give to me. Amen.**

Reception

We have been learning: that we are all very special and we all look different. We know that when we are drawing our face we need to use the right colours.

You can help at home by: asking your child to draw a picture of their face.

Year 1

We have been learning: to count on from a number to 10.

You can help at home by: asking your child what comes after different numbers.

Year 2

We have been learning: about common nouns.

You can help at home by: seeing how many common nouns you can name in your house or when you are out together.

Year 3

We have been learning: to partition numbers up to 1000.

You can help at home by: asking your child to partition numbers into hundreds, tens and ones.

Year 4

We have been learning: how to write a play script as part of our English.

You can help at home by: asking what information is included in scripts for plays or TV/film.

Year 5

We have been learning: to write a letter of advice to the AI-E 'Maisie' from our book 'Robot Girl'.

You can help at home by: asking your child how to persuade and use language to convey persuasion.

Year 6

We have been learning: about the city of Manaus in Brazil.

You can help at home by: asking your child to share some facts they learnt during our geography lesson.

