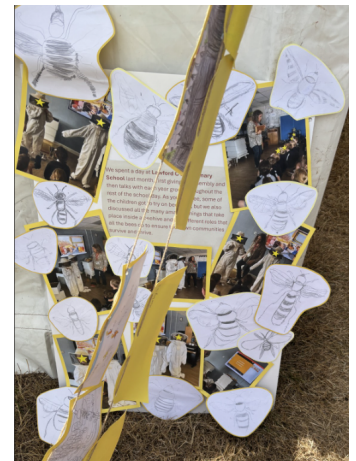


LAWFORD CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Tendring Show

It was great to see many of you at the Tendring show on Saturday. There were many of the children entering all sorts of competitions and being successful. Here are just those I spotted....



GOODBYE

Thank you so much to everyone for their kind words over the last few weeks. It has been very touching. I have been very blessed to be a part of Lawford School. There have been so many wonderful people over my 8 years here and so much has happened, not least the pandemic and trying to sort out the new building, hold meetings, argue with designers about their colour scheme (it was to have been black and lime green!).

Time has truly flown - which is always a sure sign that you are having a good time. I know that the school will be in good hands with Mrs Usher at the helm and I am certain that you will all be very impressed with the new deputy Mrs Aherne-Shaw. My thanks go to the governors, staff and all the children - without whom life would be so much more dull. I especially want to thank Mrs Usher who has been unfailingly supportive and with whom I have laughed so much. I wish her deputy to be as wonderful as she has been. Thank you.

Maths and English Awards

Achievers of the Year

RA	Theo Freeman
RC	Phoebe Clover
1LS	Eleanor McKirdy
1S	Diana Kurpeikyte
2D	Elliot Cole
2Q	Hattie Cullen
3D	Lily-Mae Patty
3T	Elina Zelionyte
4B	Aiden Amoss
4H	Florence Whitworth
5	Nora Amoah
6	Iona Anastasiadis
MDA	Molly Wing
	Ava Poulter
	Erin Freeman
Headteacher	Vinni Finch

Class Sports Awards

RA - Edward Smith
RC - Maddy Kimble
1LS - Jamie
1S - Sienna Matthias
2D - Ralph Nichols
2Q - Theo Burgin
3D - Lily Mai
3T - Archie Baxter
4B - Ben Leeke
4H - Sofia Perry
5 - Molly Wing
6 - Amelia Heath



The Wendon Wordsmith Award for English has been awarded to Archie Webb.

Archie has made excellent progress in English this year. Having begun the year working towards age-related expectations in writing, he is now securely meeting them. Archie approaches every piece of writing with care and takes real pride in presenting his work as neatly as he can. His creativity and imagination really shine through in his writing. Whether he is describing the comical moments of a busy market in a diary entry or using similes and metaphors to bring a story to life, he has a real ability to add details that make his writing interesting and enjoyable to read. Archie's enthusiasm for English is clear in every lesson. He is always willing to proudly share his own writing with the class. His progress, creativity and enjoyment of English have been fantastic to see this year.

Gaffney Mathematics trophy goes to Charlotte Smith:

Charlotte, what a fantastic year you have had. We are all so proud of you, you have shown hard work and dedication to your learning, approaching all your work with a positive attitude. When you started Year 6 your confidence in your own ability was low, and you lacked self belief. To help your journey in Maths we invited you to the morning Maths group, and your commitment to being on time everyday and doing your best shone. You took on board everything that was said to you and applied it. You challenged yourself to improve, pushing yourself to achieve higher scores. You asked questions, listened to answers, and gradually your confidence grew. After Christmas we noticed a real change, you began to smile in Maths lessons! More so than this, you answered questions in front of the class, with confidence. You began to answer reasoning questions and your scores become consistently high in arithmetic. In fact, you have tripled your scores in arithmetic from the beginning of the year. Well done for all your efforts this year, a huge congratulations for everything you have achieved. Carry that confidence with you as you enter High school.



Sport

We finished the year with the staff and year 6 netball match. The teams were evenly split and eventually the green team beat the red team 12 - 10. Thank you to everyone who played. A big thank you to Beth Thornton, Mrs Glasgow and Mrs Haines for running the netball club all year.



Sports' Award

This year's Overall Sports Star Award has been awarded in recognition of the incredible progress, growth and confidence this pupil has shown since Year 3. Her all-round sporting ability, outstanding sportsmanship and exceptional teamwork are her defining qualities.

It has been an absolute pleasure to watch her develop throughout her years at Lawford. She has excelled across all areas of the PE curriculum and has consistently been an impeccable role model for fair play, determination and respect. Whether competing herself or supporting her teammates, she has always led by example.

She has represented our school in every sport possible over the years. In fact, back in Year 3, she almost pulled out of her very first cross-country competition. Thankfully, she found the courage to take part, and we were incredibly proud of her. It was around this time that she was first spotted by one of our School Games leaders at a Year 3/4 athletics event. I still remember Helen Day saying, "She's like a whippet when she runs – she's one to keep an eye on." As it turned out, she was absolutely right.

Her most notable performances have come in football, netball and squash, although she has also shown impressive ability in cricket, demonstrating an excellent understanding of the game and the confidence to compete at a high level.

On the netball court, she has been a hugely adaptable player and an integral part of a very successful team. Highlights include reaching the Essex Finals this year and finishing as runners-up at the Woodbridge Tournament.

However, her true passion is football, and I know her dream is to one day play for England—or perhaps even West Ham! She is never a player who goes unnoticed on the pitch, regularly earning recognition for her performances in matches and tournaments. Most recently, she was named Player of the Tournament at the St Joseph's Football Tournament. She has been a key member of a highly successful girls' football team, helping Lawford reach the Essex County Finals in the autumn term and the Girls' Primary League School Finals. Her talent and dedication have also been recognised with a well-deserved place in the Ipswich Girls' Football Academy.

It is a real privilege and honour to present this year's 'Overall Sports Star Award' to a truly gifted footballer and an outstanding all-round athlete. We look forward to hearing about your many achievements in secondary school and beyond.

Congratulations, Imogen Gore.

Dates for your diary

1st September - non pupil day
2nd September - pupils back at school
14th- 18th September - Book Fair
16th September - Individual photos
26th September - Sunflower morning
28th September - PTA AGM
29th September - 2 October - SCARF workshops
12th October - Flu vaccinations

Don't forget that 1st September is a non-pupil day.

Lunch Menu: Week 1 New term

Don't forget to book in advance (before 23:59 on the day before), using the MCAS app.

If your child is absent, please cancel by 23:59 the day before. However, if illness occurs overnight, please add a comment to your report in 'Studybugs' so the office can cancel it for you.

Multi-Schools' Council Silver Award

We are very pleased to announce that having achieved the Multi-Schools Council Bronze award for inclusion last year, we were told on Wednesday that we have reached the Silver standard - only one of 10 schools in Essex to do so! Thank you so much to Mrs Harding, staff and children - especially those on the Multi School' Council for all their hard work in gaining this recognition.

We were very pleased that Mr Keirran Pierce was able to attend today's final assembly and present the award in person to Mrs Harding



Friendship Award

This year, to mark my leaving I wanted to introduce a new award to the school. I wanted it to recognise children who consistently demonstrate our values, and rules and are truly a blessing to our community, because for me our vision and ethos is the most important part of our school - educating and developing good citizens. There are so many children who could have received this inaugural award but when I reflected one name always came to mind. They are cheerful, unfailingly kind and helpful. They are consistently motivated to to their best and help others. It is my great pleasure that this award should go to Isla Davidson



Congratulations

Congratulations to Maddie in 4H, who recently travelled to Germany to represent GB in the World Championships for Dog Agility. As you can see, she came away with a haul of medals and rosettes; some she earned as part of the team, and some individually. It was a tough field of competition (over a thousand competitors) and we are very proud of her achievements.



Poetry Recital

Well done to Sofia in 3T, who won the poetry recital. Every child who performed was terrific. Each and everyone of them should be very proud of how confidently they performed and that they were chosen to represent their class in the final. Mrs Cole our adjudicator was very impressed with their recall and performance. Well done to every child in the school, who learnt a poem and recited it whether in class, to a small group of friends or in front of parents at the final.



Goodbye and Good Luck Year 6

