

Launton C of E School Newsletter

October 19th 2023 | Issue 207



Key dates

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Thank you to everyone for the generous donations for the food bank sent to school this morning.

We are very grateful to the Church Wardens for arranging their onward journey to the food bank. Donations may also be made at collection points in supermarkets and these are matched by retailers.

An enormous "thank you" to Mr and Mrs Smith and Mr Wright for acting as traffic marshals for the walk too and from St Mary's Church this morning.

Tomorrow is INSET day. We look forward to seeing everyone in school again on Monday 30th October.



School Lunches – Booking is now open for ordering school lunches for Term 2.

The cut off for ordering for the first day back is Friday 20th October.

Please see links below to the new menu and the Christmas Lunch menu. Christmas Lunch will be on Friday 8th December and is available to book through Scopay.

[October 2023 Menu](#)

[Christmas Lunch Menu](#)

Year 6 Secondary School Applications.

Reminder – 31st October 2023 is the deadline for Secondary School Applications.

Please apply online at:

www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

If you have already made provision for Sept 2024 (i.e. independent school/leaving the area) please can you email admissions.schools@oxfordshire.gov.uk so that they know not to expect an application.

Message from the PTA

Thank you to everyone who left donations for the Rags2Riches collection last Thursday. Together we raised a record breaking £151.85. This is the most we have ever received from a single collection. The next collection will be at the end of January.

FAMILY BARN DANCE - SAT 11th NOV 4-6pm

We invite you to join us for a fun family evening with live music. This event has kindly been supported by Alexander & co. Please order tickets by 3rd November.

<https://tinyurl.com/Launton-Barn-Dance>

AUTUMN RAFFLE

Raffle tickets will be on sale in the playground after school, after half term. Prizes include vouchers for Bicester Village, Jump Inc, Blenheim Palace, The Story Museum, Panto tickets at Oxford Playhouse, Bowling at The Heyford and treats from Soho Home. Winners will be announced on 11th November.

Speak to us at the school gates or email friends@launton-pta@oxfordshire.gov.uk if you have any questions or want to get involved.

The trustees this year are;

Chair: Victoria Brandham

Vice Chair: Lucy Crawford

Secretary: Sarah Harrison

Treasurer: Laura Pickering & Laura Smith



Updates & Reminders

Advance notice of dates

Friday 8th December – Christmas Lunch

Friday 15th December – Nativity performances in the morning by Ash, Rowan and Willow Classes. Information to follow after half term.

Useful Links

Here is the NHS [Is my child too ill for school](#) information.

As parents and carers, there are ways we can support our children to give them the best chance to stay mentally healthy. Encouraging and guiding a child to think about their own mental health and wellbeing are vital skills you can teach them from a young age. [Children's mental health - Every mind matters](#)

[Ignite Half Term Clubs](#)

[October Half Term at Discover Bucks Museum](#)

[Discover Bucks Museum Event](#)

[STEM Club](#)

[Term 1 Primary School Health Nurse Newsletter](#)

[The National Sleep Helpline](#)

In other news

Remember: Please be aware that we have children in school with **serious food allergies**. To ensure the safety of all of our children please avoid sending your child to school with anything that contains nuts this includes sandwiches containing peanut butter or chocolate spread.