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# Launton C of E School Newsletter

## Message from the PTA

Thank you very much to all the parents who donated items and assembled candy Santa sleighs to bring festive cheer to each child and member of staff.

Thank you also for supporting the Christmas Hamper Raffle by donating prizes and buying raffle tickets. We were able to raise an incredible £380 as a result of your efforts.

Wishing you all a happy and healthy festive break.

The PTA has previously been able to successfully apply for charity grants which have been instrumental in providing equipment for our children. Should you come across any grants that may be appropriate, please do let us know ([secretary@friendsoflaunton.co.uk](mailto:secretary@friendsoflaunton.co.uk)) so that we can assess and apply for them.

You will still be able to support our charity using the following links:

### Fundraising Links

Easyfundraising  
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/launtonschool/> and click 'support us'

Amazon Smile User Guide  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/17e5V7dEzMDtWvVjvomFQ8IPO17f2vmVOyE6fdBDZs9A/mobilebasic>

Please also join our Facebook group.  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/902321096595892/?ref=share>

## Message from St Mary's Church

TWO MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY  
FROM ST MARY'S

23/12/20 **Crib Service** – 3pm via Zoom  
Do join in and play your part in helping Revd Peter tell the story of Jesus' birth.  
You can be dressed as a Star an Angel, a Shepherd or a Sheep if you would like to

03/01/21 The next **Family Service** – via Zoom when we will hear about the Three Kings travelling to meet the Baby Jesus  
All welcome

## Message from Mrs. Paterson



In a term that has presented challenges and opportunities to show resilience and ingenuity, I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard to support the work of the school in keeping children safe, happy and able to focus on learning. The teamwork, energy and commitment of the staff has been exceptional; thank you for all your messages of thanks and good wishes to them.



Thank you to the PTA team who have put together the super sleighs for children and staff, and to all who contributed so generously, both with this project and the raffle.

The children's Christmas songs are on the Christmas 2020 page of the website and will remain there for the holiday. To view the video you will need to access the school website through a web browser and sign into your parent account (the video may not be visible through the app due to the secure upload).

The children's running seems to be going from strength to strength, with Launton Laps such an integral part of the children's daily routine.

Recently, all the children took part in a Cooper school cluster cross country competition and the results have been announced. Amazing results: well done to all our athletes!

The North Oxfordshire partnership final also saw our Yr 3/4 boys and Yr 5/6 girls teams awarded **first place in North Oxfordshire**. Well done to these runners who will now go onto to represent the district in the Oxfordshire School Games final.

Term ends today at 3.20pm; please remember that there is **no Afterschool Care today**.

If your child has symptoms of covid-19 between the end of term and the evening of Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> December, please email us [office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk) and then again to inform us of your child's test result because the NHS track and trace will require schools to pass on to parents important contact tracing information relating to bubbles.



**We wish you all a Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.**



### Cooper school cluster results

Yr 1/2 Girls team awarded 4th place  
Yr 1/2 Boys team awarded 2nd place.  
Individual: Spencer 2nd place in the Cooper Schools group.  
Yr 3/4 Girls team awarded 1st place.  
Individual: Lily-Rose 1st, Amelia 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the Cooper Schools group.

Yr 3/4 Boys team awarded 1st place.  
Individual: Alfie 1st, Jake 2nd, Monty 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Cooper Schools group.

Yr 5/6 Girls team awarded 1st place.  
Individual: Erin 1st, Pippa 2nd, Florence 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Cooper Schools group.

Yr 5/6 Boys team awarded 1st place.  
Individual: Archie 1st, Sam 2nd, Henrik 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Cooper Schools group.

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Dates for your  
diary

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## Updates and Reminders

### Message from the School Health Nurse Team -

Dear Parents,

If you still wish to access our Flu vaccination clinics, we have added more spaces on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2021 at The Whitelands Academy, Bicester. This shall be the last clinic we are offering in the Bicester area.

Please use the link and booking reference you would have previously received via email. You would have received this if your child was absent when we attended their school.

Thank you

School Health Nurse Team

**The Mental Health Support Team** have sent links and suggestions for activities and strategies. They can be accessed [here](#).

Oxfordshire Libraries are delighted to tell you about two exciting projects for pupils to take part in follow this [link](#) for more information

**Launton Online Classroom** uses the Microsoft Teams system and has been set up to meet stringent rules from the Department for Education. Once you have agreed to the [Code of Conduct](#), we will issue your child's login information to them and show them how to use it. You can register your agreement to the Code of Conduct on Scopay.

**Please do this for each of your children.**

COVID 19 Information for Parents and Carers [link](#)

Coronavirus Testing Information [link](#)

This [link](#) provides contact details for the School Health Nurse.

**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.**

Please follow this [link](#) for some information about becoming a childminder.

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[Term dates 2020-2021](#)



