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# Launton C of E School Newsletter

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## Message from Friends of Launton School

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- The Christmas Festival will take place on 30th November 2018 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm, and we are looking forward to a very special performance by X Factor's Jacqueline Faye. Please look in your children's book bags for Festival packs which include order forms and raffle tickets (over £600 worth of raffle prizes, with a top prize of £100 cash).

- As the deadline for the Aviva Community Fund grant approaches, please support our projects by voting and encouraging friends and family to also vote. Public voting closes on Tuesday 20th November which gives us a few more days to make a final push for votes. <https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/voting/project/view/4-1544>

- The Launton Recipe Book is in final draft and is looking very impressive indeed. Thank you for all your contributions. The book will be available for sale at the end of this month at school and also in Cole's book store in

Bicester.

A weekly update to Parents, Grandparents and Carers

## Message from Mrs. Paterson

The children from Beech, Chestnut, Oak and Willow Classes had the privilege of visiting the Roll of Honour Exhibition in St Mary's Church. They were hosted by Pat Tucker and the team and learnt such a lot about the contribution made by the people of the village and what happened to them, both tragic and joyful. The older children took their wreath on behalf of the school, to the memorial and were led in an Act of Remembrance by Reverend Peter. Following an Act of Remembrance in assembly in school, some of the children wrote their reflections

*I will always remember that so many people gave their life for peace and that some of us might not be here without their sacrifice. Leah*

*I will always remember this day, because it is always important to respect others. I think that doing the two-minute silence really gets you thinking about those people who died. Matilda-May*

*I really enjoyed looking at the letters in church! I thought it was such a good thing to do and learn about the war because people have fought for us and I may not have met all these amazing people if they had not done that for us! Cara*

Alistair Patrick Hestleton, silver medal winning Para-Olympian in the football Hall of Fame, talked and worked with the children yesterday. He inspired them to greatness through the power of concentration; by always doing your very best in every area of life, because it then becomes a habit, allowing you more readily to do your best in those things about which you are passionate.

In an anti-bullying week in which we are reflecting on the importance of respecting diversity, celebrating diversity and promoting diversity, he spontaneously commented on how well our children take care that everyone is made to feel included. This will continue to be a major focus in school.

### Odd socks day

Remember to wear your odd socks tomorrow as we celebrate and promote diversity through anti-bullying week.

### Children in need

Donations of cakes for the sale organised by Jaden and Stephen's team may be left in the Learning Power Base by the hall on Friday morning. The cake sale will be in the hall at 3.15pm tomorrow afternoon.

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## Dates for your diary

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Anti-bullying week – Monday 12<sup>th</sup>  
November – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November  
2018.

Children in Need Cake Sale – Friday  
16<sup>th</sup> November at 3.20pm

Parents Evening - Monday 26<sup>th</sup>  
November 2018 – 3.30-4.30pm Ash  
Class Year 1, Rowan, Beech,  
Chestnut, Oak and Willow

Parents Evening – Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup>  
November 2018 – 3.30-4.30pm –  
Beech, Chestnut, Oak and Willow

Parents Evening – Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup>  
November 2018 – 4.30-6.50pm  
Rowan, Beech, Chestnut, Oak and  
Willow. 5.30-6.30pm – Ash Class  
Year 1

Parents Evening – Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>  
November 2018 – 3.30-4.30pm  
Rowan Class.

Flu immunisation Day – Friday 30<sup>th</sup>  
November 2018

Christmas Festival – Friday 30<sup>th</sup>  
November 2018 5.30-8.30pm

Whole School Christmas Lunch –  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December

KS1 (Ash and Rowan Class) Nativity  
– Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2pm

KS1 (Ash and Rowan Class) Nativity  
– Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am

KS2 (Beech, Chestnut and Oak)  
Nativity – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> December  
2pm and 6pm

Carol Service in Church – Friday 21<sup>st</sup>  
December 9.30am

Confirmed Term Dates 2018-2019  
[Confirmed Term Date Link](#)

## Updates and Reminders

Please remember that ball games are not permitted in the playground before 8.50am.

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. We have recently been reminded of the advice for parents to cut grapes in half for small children, due to the risk posed by choking.

Please remember to return any Photograph order forms to school by 20<sup>th</sup> November.

Booking for parent evening appointments will close on 23<sup>rd</sup> November. If anyone is having difficulty booking an appointment, please contact the school office.

Flu Immunisations (Reception – Year 5 children) – Thank you to everyone who has already returned their completed consent forms if you have not already please return them by Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November. If you have misplaced your form, please email the school office and we can arrange for a replacement form to be sent home with your child.

Whole School Christmas Lunch – Please note there has been a change to the date of the Christmas Lunch it will now be Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Fresh Start have changed the dates on Meal Manager. They have swapped the meals booked on the 14th December to 20th December and the meals booked on 20th December to the 14th December. Therefore, if you have already booked your child in for the Christmas lunch you do not need to do anything but fresh start do advise checking your accounts to ensure you are aware and happy with the changes that have been made. If you have not booked your child in for the Christmas lunch this needs to be done on meal manager by Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018.

The link for Meal Manager is below.  
<https://mealmanager.freshstartcatering.uk/>

