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Launton C of E School Newsletter

Message from Friends of Launton School

Thank you to everyone who supported our Tesco bags for life campaign. We'll be sure to let you know how much funding our project will be awarded once the winners have been announced.

- You'll be pleased to know that we have now purchased 104 chairs and additional equipment using the SPARK funding that we received earlier this year.

- With less than 2 weeks to go until voting closes on the Aviva Community Fund grants, we need as many votes as we can get to secure funding for our projects. So, if you haven't done so already, please register and vote, and please encourage your friends and families to vote
<https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/voting/project/view/4-1544>

- The Christmas Festival will take place on **Friday 30th November 2018 from 5:30 to 8:30pm**. Ticket information will be sent out next week. Please remember to order your tickets and return the forms as early as possible.

Your children may have already shared the very exciting news that we are bringing X Factor to Launton! Jacqueline Faye who appeared on X Factor in September will be performing live at our Christmas Festival! Jacqueline is a very talented lady with a fantastic personality. If you don't watch X Factor or don't remember Jacqueline, you can watch her performance in this YouTube

clip: <https://youtu.be/egrhr42fv4k>
We look forward to an enjoyable fun filled evening.

A weekly update to Parents, Grandparents and Carers

Message from Mrs. Paterson

Friday 16th November is Children in Need day and Jaden and Stephen are organising our fundraising cake sale to support this. Jaden and Stephen would love you to bake cakes, cookies and any other goodies and decorate them with spots like Pudsey Bear. Most of the donations will go to children in need but they would like to use 10% towards the school field project. Cakes will be available at 3.15pm on Friday 16th November.

Report from yesterday's cross county meeting

The cross country was windy, muddy and showery but the most tremendous fun, report the intrepid runners who bravely took part. The runners slipped and slid around the fields with resilience, confidence and determination. Everyone finished: Jake and Erin returned with medals, Callum was 11th in the year 5 and 6 race, and through to the next round, and we were really proud of the entire Launton Team.
by Alex, Winnie, Leon, Callum and Erin.

Our sporting achievements last year have led to us being awarded a prize of a visit by Alistair Patrick Hestleton, a silver medal winning Para-Olympian in the football Hall of Fame. We are really looking forward to meeting him on Wednesday of next week.

The theme of national anti-bullying week this year is **Choose respect over bullying**. We will be celebrating diversity in anti-bullying week, as we do every day in school, and on Friday 16th November we will once again celebrate with Odd Socks Day. Throughout anti-bullying week, the children will have lessons and assemblies, activities and discussions to re-visit, remind and reinforce the important messages and ways of relating to one another that were noticed and commented on so positively in our Ofsted inspection. For the older children, there will be a particular focus on the use of social media and the avoidance of saying things electronically that they would not consider saying in a different context.

Dates for your diary

Anti-bullying week – Monday 12th November – Friday 16th November 2018.

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

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

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

Parents Evening – Thursday 29th November 2018 – 3.30-4.30pm Rowan Class.

Flu immunisation Day – Friday 30th November 2018

Christmas Festival – Friday 30th November 2018 5.30-8.30pm

Whole School Christmas Lunch – Friday 14th December

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.

On Monday 12th November, our key stage 2 pupils will visit the Roll of Honour exhibition in St Mary's Church to commemorate the Launton villagers who took part in the Great War. Reverend Peter will lead an Act of Remembrance in school and pupils from Oak and Willow Classes will take our wreath to the memorial with him.

If you would like to take part in an Act of Remembrance on 11th November with your child, then you are invited to do so at the memorial in the village at 10.50pm or at St Mary's Church at 6pm.

If you would like to make a donation, Oak Class will be making poppies available outside Chestnut Classroom again tomorrow morning at 8.45am.

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.

Booking for parent evening appointments will be available from 9th November.

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 19th 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 14th 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 4th December 2018.

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