

Dear Parents,

Harvest Festival Service 9.30am Friday 13th October in St Mary's Church

Please join us if you are able. As always, we are supporting the work of Bicester Food Bank this harvest. If you feel able to donate any tinned fish, tinned fruit, rice pudding, or indeed any tinned food, all at the food bank will be very grateful. The children will take their donations to church with them on Friday and the food will be taken directly to the food bank after the service.

Curriculum Evening

The second of our meetings for parents takes place this evening in Mrs Holland and Mrs Cuttell's classroom. This will follow exactly the same format as the Monday session with lots of overlap, but will also be about the work of Key Stage 2, so is relevant for parents of children in Oak Class, Willow Class and Chestnut Class. Mrs Holland, Miss Nightingale and Miss Needle will talk about what these children are learning and how to support them.

Parents' evenings

The teachers have scheduled appointments as follows:

Beech Class, Rowan Class and Willow Class – Monday 27th November and Tuesday 28th November 3.30-4.30pm, and Wednesday 29th November 4.30-6.50pm.

Chestnut Class – Wednesday 29th November 3.30-7.20pm

Please do not feel that you need to wait until these appointments to speak to your child's teacher about any aspect of their progress, attainment or wellbeing. Teachers are available at the start and end of every day and can also arrange to speak to you by telephone if you prefer. Similarly, if you are unable to schedule an appointment with your child's teacher during the times and dates above, please let your child's teacher know and they will work with you to make an alternative arrangement. Sign up sheets will be available in the Learning Power Base outside the hall from Friday 17th November.

Ballet Classes

I have been asked to make you aware that the Victoria Hill School of Ballet runs in the Launton Parish Hall for children from 3 to 10 years. I have tickets for free trial classes and these can be collected from the school office. Please email the office is you would like one. The contact details for the ballet teacher are <u>info@victoriahillschoolofballet.co.uk</u>

Parent volunteers

We are extremely grateful to all the parents who support our school, ensuring that it thrives and continues to provide the very best educational opportunities for all the children in our community and nurture and support their well-being and development.

One way in which parents/ carers can do this is to join the growing team of parent helpers who volunteer in school, some regularly by reading with children (in classes other than your own child's class), or supporting maths workshops, cooking, gardening or accompanying classes on educational visits from time to time.

If you would like to join this team and have not yet completed Safeguarding Training, please come along to the Safeguarding Training that will take place in school at 2pm on Thursday 2nd November. If you would like to attend the training please email the school office – <u>office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk</u>

Friends of Launton School FOLS

FOLS are busy making a start organizing some fundraising events for the school please see attached Newsletter from FOLS for more information.

FOLS Newsletter October 2017

School photographer

On the morning of 1 November, the photographer will be in school to take individual photographs of the children; if you have more than one child in school, their photographs will also be taken together. The photographs will arrive in school well before Christmas if you wish to purchase them. There are a small number of slots available for children to have their photograph taken with pre-school siblings early in the morning. Please email the school office on <u>office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk</u> to register your interest.

Exhibition

The children have been working very hard on their work for the exhibition, we hope that you can join us to have a look on Thursday 19th October 2017 at 3.15pm.

Best wishes from

Jane Paterson and the Staff Team

Please find below links to this week's letters and some updates and reminders. All of these letters are on the school website under recent letters.

Kind Regards

Mrs Staker

Important updates and reminders

Dates for the Diary -

- Thursday 12th October 2017 KS2 Curriculum Evening 6-6.45pm
- Friday 13th October 2017 Harvest Festival at Launton Church 9.30am
- Thursday 19th October 2017 Exhibition for Parents 3.15pm
- Friday 20th October 2017 FOLS Non-Uniform Day (Mufti Day)
- Monday 23rd October 2017 Friday 27th October 2017 Half Term
- Monday 30th October 2017 Inset Day
- Wednesday 1st November 2017 Photographer in for individual photographs
- Thursday 30th November 2017 FOLS Non-Uniform Day (Mufti Day)
- Friday 1st December 2017 Christmas Fayre and Christmas Light Switch On
- TBC Friday 8th December or Friday 15th December 2017 FOLS Christmas Movie Night
- Friday 15th December 2017 FOLS Present Room Day

Please see attached an advert we have received for the Trinity Camerata event on 15th October 2017.

Trinity Camerata

Meal Manager is now open for booking school meals for after half term, the cut-off date for booking meals for the first week back following half term is Tuesday 24th October 2017. Please see the school dinner section on the school website or Fresh Start website for the latest menus including the Christmas Dinner Menu.

The whole school Christmas Lunch will be on Friday 8th December 2017 if your child would like the Christmas Dinner it will need to be booked through Fresh Start if you need a log in for your child please contact Fresh Start directly or the school office – <u>office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk</u>

Please find attached a booking form for Bicester Lawn Tennis Club Half Term Activities.

Bicester Tennis Club Half Term Booking Form

Please see attached a Flyer from Stowe about the events they are running during October Half Term.

October Half Term