

# Launton C of E School Newsletter



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Report by Harrison, Thomas and Susannah in Rowan Class.

On Friday, Rowan Class had a visit from the police to tell us about their job. Their names were Harvey and Chelsea. We saw the police stuff and got to wear their jacket. We saw their police car and the flashing lights. We sat inside the car and heard the sirens. Harrison said, "It was amazing!" He especially liked wearing Harvey's hat. Marley enjoyed sitting in the car. "It was good," he said.



The children have loved today's celebration of books and reading. There was a 'themed morning' in Forest Groups, with older 'forest buddies' supporting younger children. Here are some quotes from the children –

"I enjoyed listening to A Squash and a Squeeze, I think it's lovely" Stephen Year 1.

"I enjoyed making my own book about my favourite stories" Harvee Year 6.

"I worked with my big buddy Christopher, he helped me with cutting, writing and drawing" Charlie Reception.

"I was Miss Hazlewood and I read 'The Cat in the Hat' story to the entire Thetford Forest group. The children were all listening and concentrating. I was a bit nervous at the start but I enjoyed it!" Kiera Year 6.

"I made a book about Percy Penguin" George Reception.

"Before the activities started, we received training to make a miniature book out of only one piece of A3 paper! Then we could help the younger children to make theirs" Elliot, Alfie and Jack W Year 6.

The pre-loved book sale will be held in the front garden from 3pm for nursery parents and Cherry Class children and from 3.15pm for children and families in all other classes. The children have been organising an exhibition of their wonderfully imaginative 'Book in a Box' projects. Children are keen to take everyone to the exhibition in the hall: entry is through the front garden. (Please ask the Afterschool Care team for alternative directions if your child is in wraparound care).



## Key dates

[Term Dates 2023/2024](#)

[Term Dates 2024/2025](#)

AN INVITATION FROM ST MARY'S

All are invited to our extra Service

ALL AGE HOLY COMMUNION  
for [MOTHERING SUNDAY](#)

In Church on 10 March at 11.00am

When the children will be warmly  
invited to sing

"The Lord's Prayer"

Do come along if you can!

## Message from the PTA

WORLD BOOK DAY - Please join us this afternoon in the front garden for our pre-loved book sale. Books can be bought for any donation. Cash and card accepted.

EASTER EGG HUNT - Tickets are now on sale!

Please buy your tickets in advance by [completing the order form online](#) or from the village shop after 1st March.

We also need volunteers on the day to run the event. [Please sign up here to help](#) or get in touch with us.

You can email us anytime at [friends@launton-pta.co.uk](mailto:friends@launton-pta.co.uk)

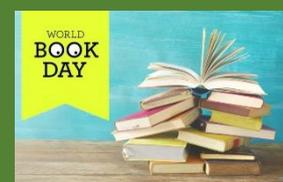
The trustees this year are;

Chair: Victoria Brandham

Vice Chair: Lucy Crawford

Secretary: Sarah Harrison

Treasurer: Laura Pickering & Laura Smith



## In other news

The Annual Village Clean Up has been scheduled for 9<sup>th</sup> March. More information can be found [here](#).

**Big Walk and Wheel** - We are taking part in the 15<sup>th</sup> year celebration of Sustrans Big Walk and Wheel, the UK's largest inter-school cycling, walking, wheeling and scooting challenge. The challenge runs from 11-22 March 2024. It's free to take part and we would love everyone to be involved.

**What do you need to do?**

Encourage your child(ren) to walk, scoot or cycle to school on as many days as possible during the event.

## Updates & Reminders

Dates for the Diary –

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Big Walk and Wheel

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Egg Hunt



Useful Links –

[Term 4 School Nurse Newsletter](#)

[Home Upgrade Grant for families](#)

[Home Start Volunteering](#)

The NHS has published the following guidance for parents and carers about [measles](#).

Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service `road Safety Team have asked us to signpost you to their guide [Walking with Children 365 Alive](#). The [Footsteps](#) programme is simple to use as it can be carried out in normal everyday situations such as walking to school or to the local shops.

[CAMHS Parent Webinar](#).

**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.

**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](#)