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# Launton C of E School Newsletter

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## Message from Friends of Launton School

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- Great news for everyone who is having a post-Christmas clear out! Rags2Riches4Schools will be making another collection on 5th March 2019. Bags and leaflets will be provided 2 weeks before the collection date.

- Thank you for supporting the Launton School and Community Recipe Book. We have sold 166 copies and made a fantastic profit of £735. The recipe book is still available for sale in Coles Bookshop in Bicester, Savoir Fare at Garth Park, the Blue Texel in Launton and the school office. The books will also be on sale at the Easter egg hunt.

- The Easter Egg Hunt will take place on 30th March and will be a fun day out for the whole family. If anyone is able to donate some prizes for the Tombola that would be much appreciated. Please place them in the box outside the school hall. We are also looking for volunteers. Please let any member of the PTA committee know if you'd like to help, or email [secretary@friendsoflaunton.co.uk](mailto:secretary@friendsoflaunton.co.uk)

A weekly update to Parents, Grandparents and Carers

## Message from Mrs. Paterson

As World Book Day approaches, we will begin directly after the half-term break with a day of book-themed drama workshops for all classes on 25<sup>th</sup> February, provided by "West End in Schools". We will host a book fair for a week from 27<sup>th</sup> February and this will be available for book purchases after school (dates to follow). Building further on the success of last year's "Book in a box", the children will have recycled miniature cardboard boxes to take home over the holiday to craft, with their usual imagination and creativity, into their very own "book in a box" (information to follow).

Many primary schools are recognising that early Mental Health awareness helps young people build strategies to facilitate good mental health. We are taking part next week in a project called **Make Me Smile**, which offers a space for all children to learn to build an understanding and resilience to matters relating to mental health through storytelling and creative play. It allows them to talk openly in a safe environment in small groups, with the Year 5 and Year 6 children taking the lead in an age appropriate way as mental health ambassadors.

The next scheduled collection of donated clothing for Rags2Riches4Schools is 5<sup>th</sup> March and we will be able to accept bags from Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March.

The staff of the Pitt Rivers Museum were astonished and delighted by the knowledge shown by Beech class during their visit; a number already have job offers to be guides for school parties learning about the Ancient Egyptians.

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## Dates for your diary

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

Confirmed Term Dates 2019-2020  
[Confirmed Term Date 2019/2020 link](#)

The Easter Egg Hunt will be held on 30th March 2019.

The Summer BBQ will be held on 19th July 2019.

Further details will be provided closer to the time.

## Latest Launton Diginews

[Diginews Bulletin 2](#)

## 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.**

Parents and carers who travel to school by car and park in the access road beside school- please be aware that this road must be sufficiently clear for emergency vehicles to use it. There have been a number of incidents where cars are being parked on the corner of the road where it bends (near to the first gate on the school field.) Please would you avoid parking in this space, as parking here could potentially be problematic for an emergency response vehicle that may need to get to the sports facilities. Your co-operation in this matter would be appreciated.

[Hub Half Term Club Information](#)

[Parenting Practitioners Oxfordshire Information](#)

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