

Launton C of E School Newsletter

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Key dates

Term Dates 2022/2023

Term Dates 2023/2024

Message from the PTA

Save the Date

2nd March 2023: World Book Day pre-loved book sale

26th March 2023: Easter Egg Hunt

30th March 2023: Pre-loved uniform sale at The Elms, Station Road, Launton

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us in person or by email (friendsofLaunton-pta@googlegroups.com) should you have any questions, ideas, suggestions, to be added to our fundraising WA group or just for a chat.

Chair: Victoria Brandham
Vice Chair: Liz Moore
Secretary: Ruth West
Treasurers: Laura Pickering and Sarah Harrison

AN INVITATION FROM ST MARY'S

Families are very welcome

to come along to our

FAMILY CANDLEMAS SERVICE

In Church on 5 February at 11.00am

Hope to see you there

Valuing and caring for precious resources, and sustainability have been significant themes in school and more widely this week.

Well done to everyone in school for being so diligent in making excellent decisions when it comes to what goes in recycling bins... The children have been really careful to check that we are sending only recyclable materials in our recycling bins. "You should always make sure you put the right rubbish into the correct bin and look at the sign very carefully so that you know which bin to put it in. Contaminated means that you have mixed the wrong material in the recycling," advise Rebecca and Mollie.

Thank you very much to everyone who donated, stored and collected clothing for Rags2Riches. We recycled an impressive 174.4kg of clothing and raised £69.76 for the school.

We are delighted to be able to announce that Mrs. Ruth West and Mr. Alex Brandham have been elected unopposed to join our school's Governing Body as Parent Governors.

Term 4 Activity Clubs – Bookings are open for Term 4 clubs booking will close at midday on Wednesday 8th February and confirmation emails will be sent before the end of term.

After School Clubs			
Tuesday	Football 6 weeks from 21.02.2023	KS2	Booked through Scopay
Wednesday	Gym and dance 6 weeks from 22.02.2023	Year 2-6	Booked through Scopay
Thursday	Art (Creating pattern and texture) 5 weeks from 23.02.2023	KS2	Booked through Scopay
Friday	Netball/Basketball 5 weeks from 24.02.2023	KS2	Booked through Scopay



Updates & Reminders

[School Nurse Newsletter Term 3](#)

[Ignite Half Term Holiday Camp](#)

[Launton Village Players Pantomime](#)

[Spring Events at OYAP Trust](#)

[Scarlet Fever Information for Parents](#)

[Discover - 50 things to do before you're five](#)

[Family Links](#)

National Guidance

There are lots of respiratory infections that cause sore throats, colds and coughs circulating this time of year.

Flu and coronavirus (COVID-19) are currently circulating at high levels and are likely to continue to increase in coming weeks. High numbers of scarlet fever, which is caused by group A streptococcus, also continue to be reported.

It's important to minimise the spread of infection in school as much as possible:

- If your child is unwell and has a fever, they should stay home from school or nursery until they feel better, and the fever has resolved.
- Teach children the importance of good hand hygiene, practice regular handwashing with soap and warm water.
- Catch coughs and sneezes in tissues then bin them is another simple way to help stop illness from spreading.
- Adults should also try to stay home when unwell and if they do have to go out, wear a face covering. When unwell don't visit healthcare settings or visit vulnerable people unless urgent.
- Remember that flu vaccination is still available for all eligible groups and is the best protection against the virus.

Please follow this link to the latest information from the UK Health Security Agency regarding when to keep a child off school - [UKHSA Update](#)

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.