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Launton C of E School Newsletter

Message from Friends of Launton School

Lolly Friday in the playground at
3.15pm this Friday

A weekly update to Parents, Grandparents and Carers

Message from Mrs. Paterson

I am pleased to be able to share with you the feedback from Dr Simon Hughes (HMI), who visited to inspect our school on behalf of OfStEd and I am delighted that the next steps for our school align to our strategy, and specifically some of our major projects

- The creative critical thinking programme (Philosophy for children) that we have planned for next year will equip our children with the skills they need to engage with the curriculum at greater depth. There is a useful analogy in English education at the moment: the Mastery Curriculum to which English schools are now working is a bit like expecting people to drive round the Paris ring road, when previously the expectation was to cruise along the M40... I am pleased that our drive to ensure that children can work in non-routine situations to apply their skills and use what they know, is being encouraged
- The field project is moving forward to develop the provision of an inspiring, exciting and safe space for the children to be active outdoors
- We have plans in place to build on the success of this year's sport and games achievements and very high rates of participation, including increasing the range and number of after school clubs

Thank you all for your support and engagement: our school is growing from strength to strength through working in collaboration and it is lovely to see the hard work and commitment of so many people: children, staff, parents and governors being recognised in this way. [Ofsted Inspection Report June 2018](#)

Thank you to all those who attended last week's World Cup match; it was a lovely community event with many dads and mums attending and amazingly, over £300 was raised with the gift aid, in support of the field project. Many thanks to all and to Rapid Engineering for sponsoring the event.

Thank you to everyone who has already donated to a Launton 1918 event. The children are really working hard to capture all of their exercises in the Launton active books and it's adding up. The combined total of steps so far is the equivalent of journeying half way to Russia and all the activity and sponsorship has already generated nearly £1000. The children had a special message of encouragement and backing from Olympic gold medal hockey champions yesterday. Click this link to view it <https://goo.gl/4Eim5z>

With sports day approaching, we are scanning the weather forecast and hoping that Wednesday is a perfect day that is both dry, yet not too hot... Children may wear PE kit to school and will need a (named) sunhat and to be wearing sunscreen, as appropriate. We will ensure that they keep their water bottles topped up on the field. Further details are below.

Dates for your diary

Sports Day - Wednesday 11th July 2018 (KS2 9.30am KS1 and Ash 1.30pm)

13th July – End of term summer family BBQ 5.30-9pm

18th July – Year 6 Play 2pm and 6pm

19th July – BBQ for Year 6 pupils and their parents

21st July – 100km sponsored walk with dads Kenny and Neil

8th September – 50km sponsored walk with Mrs Cannon and several parents

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

Updates and Reminders

A quick reminder of the sponsorship links below. Anyone can sponsor via just giving and we're inviting people to choose between the school 'houses' and Kenny and Neil's pages. Not that it's a competition!

For Farah house - RED

<http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/farah-red>

For Rowling house - Blue

<http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rowling-blue>

For Mandela house - Green

<http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/mandela-green>

For Burnell house - Yellow

<http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/burnell-yellow>

For Neil Busby

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/neil-busby2>

For Kenny Naidu-Johnson

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/kenny-naidu-johnson>

Thank you all

A reminder to place your orders for tickets and meals for the summer bbq on 13th July; those received by tomorrow will be entered into a prize draw. Please return all tickets, whether sold or unsold, to a school post box by **3 p.m. 13th July**.

Finally, thank you to the Lolly Friday team and all those who purchase lollies; we have now amassed an impressive £412.50.

Sports Day

KS2 9.30am – approx. 11am on the school field

KS1 and Reception - 1.30pm on the school field

2.45pm Whole school presentation on the school field

3.00pm all children will return to classrooms and will be dismissed from classrooms in the usual way

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be on sale for parents and carers and when sports day ends, Lolly Wednesday will begin.
