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Launton C of E School Newsletter

Message from Friends of Launton School

Congratulations to Neil Greig who completed the Chicago marathon in just 3 hours and 10mins. Neil came a very impressive 2,421st out of 45,000 competitors in a race that was won by Sir Mo Farah. Thank you very much Neil for raising £593.75 for the children.

The Christmas Festival will take place on 30th November 2018 from 5:30pm to 8:30pm. All are welcome for fun, food and festive cheer.

There are only three weeks left of the Tesco Bags for Life campaign. Please give your tokens to our school's project.

We are launching a Launton Cookbook. All the children have been invited to submit their favourite recipes and to enter the competition to design the cookbook cover by 31st October. Thank you to all those children who have already submitted their entries.

We have received the funds from the Oxfordshire Community Foundation grant and purchased topic books for the children's use. A weekly update to Parents, Grandparents and Carers

Message from Mrs. Paterson

Thank you to Mrs Giles for organising, and everyone who contributed to the success of the Rags 2 Riches collection of clothing this week; £150 was raised for school projects.

We were visited in assembly this week by Janet Ray, who co-ordinates the work of the Bicester Food Bank, in advance of our collection of tinned and dried foods at the Harvest Festival Service on Monday 15th October. She advised that tinned meat is especially useful at present. You are warmly invited to join us at 9.30am in St Mary's Church.

The traffic situation has been somewhat tricky in front of school this week with neighbours finding it difficult to get to work in the morning around school drop-off time. Please would you endeavour to park thoughtfully to minimise danger and disruption and take extra care when opening car doors. With our focus on health and safety, we completed a very successful fire drill and a drill in which we remain safe indoors; the children were, of course, quick, sensible and calm, as always.

Congratulations to Eve's dad, who completed the Chicago Marathon on Sunday in aid of school projects, finishing only slightly behind Mo Farrah. The children will be taking part in our own House Cross Country event on Tuesday (weather permitting), so will need trainers in school. We may not cover quite the same distance as Neil and Mo.

Match report by the players themselves

On Wednesday two teams of footballers from Chestnut and Beech Class played in a tournament at The Cooper School.

Beech Class made it through to the second round after playing very well. Chestnut Class reached the semi-finals by scoring 5 goals in their first match, 7 goals in their second match and 5 goals in their third match. Stephen was in goal, making fabulous saves and scored 2 goals too. The team played very well, that's why they got through to the final. The competition was very strong but Launton won the tournament. We had to work together to make it as far as we did.

by Archie, Henrik, Olivia and Poppy

Message for parents of reception children

Miss Coleman would like to invite the parents of reception children, to come to school, or speak by telephone, to discuss how your child is settling in to school. She is available in the afternoons next Tuesday and on 30th October, and after school most days. Please call or email the office to make an appointment. All other year groups will have parents' evenings later in November.

Dates for your diary

Harvest Festival Church Service – Monday 15th October 2018.

School Exhibition – Wednesday 17th October 2018 from 3.15pm in the school hall following collection of children.

Individual School Photographs – Wednesday 31st October 2018.

Flu immunisation Day – Friday 30th November 2018

Christmas Festival – Friday 30th November 2018

Whole School Christmas Lunch – Thursday 20th December 2018

Confirmed Term Dates 2018-2019 Confirmed Term Date Link

Updates and Reminders

The children took home entry forms for including a recipe in the Launton Recipe Book and for designing a cover for the book, last Friday; additional form can be downloaded following these links <u>Recipe Book Cover Entry Form</u> <u>Recipe Entry Form</u>

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.

Message for parents of Key Stage 2 children

Children in Beech, Oak and Willow Classes are taking part in an "Evacuee Day" on Friday 12th October as part of their work in history. On this day, they may come to school dressed in clothing to evoke the 1940s if they wish. Please could all children bring a safety pin to secure the labels that they will be making in school? You are warmly invited to an exhibition of children's learning in the school hall at 3.15pm on Wednesday 17th October.

Term 2 After School Clubs

Mondays – KS2 Choir starting on Monday 29th October 2018 for 6 weeks (This club is free)

Tuesdays – Year1 to Year6 Dance Club starting on Tuesday 30th October 2018 for 6 weeks (Cost of £18)

Thursdays – KS2 Boxes and Bags Art Club with Miss Nightingale starting on Thursday 1st November for 6 weeks (Cost of £18)

All of these clubs need to be booked via Tucasi (Scopay) for the free clubs just tick the consent box for the others make payment as normal.

Booking for these clubs will open at 4pm Thursday 11th October and will close at 1pm on Wednesday 17th October confirmation of a place at the clubs will be sent on Thursday 18th October.

If you miss the booking deadline for these clubs, please contact the office by email <u>office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk</u> to see if any places remain.

If you wish your child to join the martial arts club on Wednesdays, please contact Jake.

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