

# Launton C of E School Newsletter

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The Pudsey- themed orienteering activities in aid of Children in Need were hugely enjoyed and the weather was kind.

Cherry Class report that they are having a lovely time in their yoga classes in the school hall. They are reading The `Gingerbread Man and have made their own gingerbread men this morning.

## It's snowflake time on the Launton Christmas Tree in aid of Cancer Research UK.

If you would like to dedicate a snowflake to a loved one, the children will hang it on the Christmas Tree for you.

Make your donation online via this link <https://www.justgiving.com/page/launton-school-1668687564521> and email [office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk) with the name of the person to be remembered and we will write it on the snowflake. Alternatively, donations and names can also be posted in the school post box.



## Key dates

Term Dates 2022/2023

Term Dates 2023/2024

## Message from the PTA

**Save the Date!** The Christmas Festival will be held on **Friday 2nd December at 5:30pm - 7:30pm**

Pre-ordered tickets will be sent home next week and tickets will also be available on the gate. Please remember to make the payments to match your pre-ordered ticket orders.

We have the following planned

🎵 Festive songs and carols kindly performed by The Launton Players 🎵

🍷 Bottle Tombola

🎁 Toy Tombola

🎭 Festive face painting

🦆 Christmas hook-a-duck

📄 Guess the name of the teddy

📄 Guess the value of the chocolate coins

📄 Cake stall

🎨 Christmas crafts

📄 Raffle with prizes kindly donated by local businesses and individuals

If you are able, please would you donate some prizes for the gift/toy and bottle tomobalas. We will be at the school gate at drop off on Friday 25th November to receive donations. Please also let us know if you are able to make/buy any cakes for the cake stall.

We are also looking for additional volunteers to help on the day (30mins slots available). Thank you to those who have already signed up to help.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us in person or by email ([friendsoflaunton-pta@googlegroups.com](mailto: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



## In other news

Provisional dates for diaries, with information to follow

- **School Christmas Lunch – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – School Money has been updated if you had meals ordered already for Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December you will need to log in and re-order due to the menu being updated. If you would like your child to have the school Christmas Lunch order through School Money the **deadline for booking is Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November at 4pm.**
- “**Christmas Jumper Day**” in support of Save the Children **Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December** to make a donation to Save the Children please follow this link - [Donate here.](#)
- **Rowan and Willow Class Nativity** in school 9.30am **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**
- **Ash Class Nativity** in school 10.45am **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**
- **Carol Service** in St Mary's Church 9.30am **Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**

## Updates & Reminders

[Winter Weekends at OYAP](#)

[Launton Community Choir Christmas Concert](#)

[Term 2 School Nurse Newsletter](#)

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

### **Parents / Carers of children who reach the age of 4 on or before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

Applications for School places must be made to the Local Authority no later than 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023 for places in school. If your child has a place in a nursery class (including the children in our own Cherry Class), you must still apply for a school place in a reception class. Applications for school places can be made [here.](#)

### **National Guidance**

- Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend.
- Please follow this link to the latest information from the UK Health Security Agency regarding when to keep a child off school - [UKHSA Update](#)
- adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious. For children and young people aged 18 and under, the advice will be 3 days.

**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.