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Launton C of E School Newsletter

Message from the PTA

A little help for your growing little ones! We have collected a range of good quality, second hand school uniform and shoes, that is available to buy at very reasonable prices.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1TDBxF1AuTDN0Jws6K05drBUjX3jNiF7d1170EWJojnA/edit?usp=sharing>

Please click on the link above to view what is available, and contact secretary@friendsofLaunton.co.uk should you wish to order any items.

We will shortly be organising a PTA fundraising planning meeting, and would like to encourage as many parents/caregivers as possible to attend and share your ideas with us.

Message from St Mary's Church

An invitation to the re-launched
COMMUNITY CAFÉ
in the Parish Hall on Tuesdays
between 9 -11am & 2.30 - 4.30pm
*Everyone is welcome for
a chat, a cuppa, cake and crafts!*
Also we are always looking for
helpers for the afternoon sessions
so if you have some time to spare
just once a month in term time
please do get in touch on
celiamanderson@aol.com
01869 571735
or just call in for a visit!

Message from Mrs. Paterson

Harvest Festival will be celebrated by the children in school on Monday 11th October in line with our infection-control measures. Reverend Peter will join us to lead two sensibly socially distanced celebrations. We will again support the Bicester Food Bank at Harvest Festival.

Bicester Food Bank

Top Ten Items needed -

- Tinned Meat
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Long Life fruit juice
- Long life milk
- Tinned baked beans
- Tinned vegetables
- Tea
- Coffee



If you feel able to send a contribution, the foods requested by the Food Bank are listed and children should bring them into school on 11th October.

Again, working innovatively, the school photographer will take the children's individual photographs on Friday 1st October. Groups of siblings in school and nursery can be arranged but pre-school visitors are not possible.

You may remember last week we wrote in the newsletter about year 4 and 5 learning an instrument with Oxfordshire Music Service. The instrument the children will be learning has changed to include a variety of brass instruments, including trumpet and trombone. We are very excited to see our very own band of musicians performing on a variety of instruments over the coming weeks.

There are so many benefits for everyone taking part – improved pupil confidence, concentration, self-discipline and teamwork. All pupils will learn about performing and composing, listening and appraising, posture and technique. Children will also be taught the concepts of pitch (high and low sounds), dynamics (loud and quiet), basic structure, appropriate notation and vocabulary and will develop an awareness of mood in the music.

Dates for your diary

Updates and Reminders

Please return all contact detail forms, permission forms and medical forms by 1st October.

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.

[Term dates 2020-2021](#)

Secondary School Open Evenings start next week, for more information follow the links below.

[The Cooper School Thursday 23rd September](#)

[The Bicester School Thursday 7th October](#)

[Whitelands Academy Thursday 7th October](#)

[Saturday Morning Music Centres](#)

[School Nurse Newsletter Term 1](#)

Road Closure - Information from EWR - Please be advised that Charbridge Lane will be closed from 17th October to 17th December between the Launton roundabout and Charbridge Way. Work will be carried out under normal working hours Monday 7am to Friday 6pm, Saturday 7am to 4pm.



Regrettably, due to the extensive nature of the construction works required, the road will be fully closed to road users, cyclists, and pedestrians from Charbridge Way to the Launton roundabout for the entire duration of the closure. An approved diversionary route will be in place with clear signage displayed to direct traffic appropriately, access will be maintained to businesses and frontages.

LFD tests are for people who are symptom free. They can identify people who have COVID but have no symptoms, and who could be passing it on to others without knowing.

If you have symptoms of COVID -19

If you, your child or anyone in the household has symptoms that could be COVID, no matter how mild, you need to get a PCR test.

Get a PCR test - www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test **Do not use an LFD home test.**
