

Launton C of E School Newsletter

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Every Wednesday, the newly bought Glockenspiels are played by Beech Class. We've practised playing different notes in sequences. All of us have tried to play in time but it's actually trickier than it seems! We really love the sound that comes out of the Glockenspiels because it's very relaxing. The most difficult part is quickly changing the notes, so that means we're looking forward to being able to do more confidently. By Ella

Recently, this term, the school has bought some new Glockenspiels! Beech Class will be using the Glockenspiels in music and practising the notes: C, D, E, G and A. What I like about them is that they have rainbow keys and make a really nice sound! But one of the tricky things is that when you are playing really fast, it's a bit hard moving your beater from the note at the other end of the glockenspiel. In the future I'm really excited to play better at the Glockenspiel but out of all of the other things I'm very happy that we have the Glockenspiels in school! By Lexi



In The News, by Toby

Every Wednesday, Toby, Sebastian, Sam, Tilly and Rupert go to the library to play music with our teacher, Mr Probert. The tunes we have been playing this term are *Working on the Railroad*, *Austrian Holiday* and *Sing Hosanna*. I need to work on *Working on the Railroad* the most because it has tricky notes like G# and B. Me and my fellow musicians have nearly been playing for two years.

Every Wednesday, a few people from Beech Class have carried on with a brass instrument and go to the library and have a lesson with Mr Probert. Our brass group has three trombone players and two cornet players. Our most common tunes are: *Sing Hosanna*, *Here We Go*, *Austrian Holiday* and *My Favourite Things*. When all of Beech Class played a brass instrument we learnt C up to G, but in this group we have learnt C up to C: a whole octave. By Sam

Key dates

[Term Dates 2023/2024](#)

[Term Dates 2024/2025](#)

Message from the PTA

Please join us for the Summer BBQ on Friday 12th July - 5.30pm.

Pre-orders food need to be completed before Friday 5th July [using this link](#).

There will be Go-karts, a tombola and games on the night.

Tombola donations can be passed to Catherine Hall or any other PTA member.

We still need more volunteers too - email us at friendsofLaunton-pta@qqonlinegroups.com

Save the date for the AGM on Monday 15th July at 8pm online.

This is a meeting for all parents and carers and includes the election of the committee for the new school year.

The trustees this year are;

Chair: Victoria Brandham
Vice Chair: Lucy Crawford
Secretary: Sarah Harrison
Treasurer: Laura Pickering & Laura Smith

Grendon Underwood Football Tournament report by Elliott and Henry

We arrived at the playing field and started warming up. We had a squad of 11 for 7 aside and played four matches, each of eight minutes.

Our scores were 1-0 to Grendon, 5-1 to us against Marsh Gibbon and 1-1 against Longfields. In the final we lost against Grendon 1-0. It was hard when we were losing but it was fun and we kept our heads up.



Grendon Underwood Football Tournament report by Tabitha and Millie

We had a squad of six players so we all played all four matches. We tied the first two 0-0 against Marsh Gibbon and Longfields then we lost 2-0 against Grendon Underwood. In the final we tied 1-1 against Longfields so it went to penalties and we won 1-0. In the end we all had fun and enjoyed it and we are looking forward to playing in Year 6!



Grendon Underwood Football Tournament Report by Mrs Staker:

All the children who attended the tournament should be proud. They worked well in their teams and cheered each other on. They shook hands with the players from the other team at the end of matches and gave teams from other schools encouragement during the finals.

I witnessed a lot of hard work and determination from all and more importantly they all had fun and finished with a smile.

The boys team came 2nd overall after losing the cup final and the girls team qualified for the plate final which they won on penalties.

Well done everyone!



In other news

Prayer and Reflection Space

Rev Sarah Mortimer led a Prayer and Reflection Space for the school with a team of (church-connected) volunteers in the Parish Hall this week. Each class is visiting in turn with their teachers and experiencing five interactive prayer stations.

This promotes wellbeing and offers the children the opportunity and tools to explore creatively prayer and/or reflection.

Updates & Reminders

Dates for your diary

20th June – Rowan Class visiting Rectory Farm

21st June - Beech Class and Chestnut Class visiting Oxfordshire Museum, Woodstock

24th June – Deadline for ordering the class photographs for the free delivery back to school.

28th June - Sports day for Ash Class, Rowan Class and Willow Class in the morning from 10am, and for Oak Class, Beech Class and Chestnut Class in the afternoon from 1.20pm. Information will follow.

Y6 cycling 1-2pm on Thursdays from Thursday 6th June for 6 weeks.

10th July- Y6 Charity Musical Extravaganza. Information for Y6 parents and carers will follow.

12th July- PTA bbq

17th July 6pm -Y6 performing in their summer play. Information will follow.

18th July 2.45-3.15pm - Open classrooms. Information will follow.

23rd July - Leavers' Service for Y6 pupils and their parents, plus KS2 pupils

Useful Links – [Summer Holiday Clubs](#)

[Transition Advice for Year 6 Parents](#)

[Oral Health Newsletter](#)

[Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying](#)

[Term 6 School Health Nurse Newsletter](#)

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.

Useful Links

Here is the NHS [Is my child too ill for school](#) information.

As parents and carers, there are ways we can support our children to give them the best chance to stay mentally healthy. Encouraging and guiding a child to think about their own mental health and wellbeing are vital skills you can teach them from a young age. [Children's mental health - Every mind matters](#)