

Launton C of E School Newsletter



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Prize winners

- 🐰 Balloon bunny 🐰 Lena (Cherry Class)
- 🐑 Guess the name of the lamb
- 🐰 Barney (year 2)
- 🐣 Guess the name of the chick 🐣 Olyvia (year 4)
- 🥚 Guess the number of eggs Reuben (year 1)

Thank you to everyone who was involved in making Sunday's Easter Egg Hunt such a success and so enjoyable. Thank you to all the residents of the village for generously donating the eggs.

After a wet and cloudy start to the day, it remained dry throughout the hunt and the children had a wonderful time searching for stones, playing games and having their faces painted.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with planning, leaflet distribution, egg collection and with the various activities on the day. Particular thanks to the team who set up and cleared away on the day, including the children, who organised the eggs in the hall perfectly by size. And, of course, thank you to the Easter Bunny.



We have signed up to a very exciting opportunity for the keen runners in KS2 to take part in the schools' London marathon. This year is extra special because those who take part will also be entered into a Guinness World Record attempt for "the most pledges received for an exercise campaign in one month". This will take place after Easter, during the school day, and all the children who pledge to take part will receive a certificate. If the world record is broken, the school will receive an official Guinness World Record certificate!

All the children in KS2 are going to the Science Museum tomorrow; see below for information about another museum in Oxfordshire offering holiday activities. School finishes at 3.15pm tomorrow; please remember that there are no clubs or wraparound care tomorrow.

Happy Easter!



Oxfordshire Museum

Easter activities at Oxfordshire Museum in Woodstock

'Colour, Craft and Make' - Creative activities aimed at the under fives. Tuesday 4th April and Tuesday 11th April 10.30 am – 12.00 pm

'Down the Rabbit Hole' - Make a fun rabbit wooden spoon character, have a look at a dress the real Alice wore. Tuesday 4th April 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

'Sow and Grow' - Plant some vegetable seeds in your own decorated plant pot. Keep them away from rabbits! Wednesday 5th April 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

'Peter Rabbit's Easter Garden' - Using paper and card make a colourful garden for Peter Rabbit. Thursday 6th April 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

'Cycle of Life' - Explore the life stages of butterflies, make something fun to take away. Tuesday 11th April 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm

'Bug Hotel.' Check in at the OM and help us construct a bug hotel in the museum garden. Make a mini bug house to take home. Wednesday 12th April 10.30 am – 12.30 pm

All events held in Coach House and Garden at Oxfordshire Museum, Woodstock

All events are free, pop in and attend- no need to pre book



Key dates

Term Dates 2022/2023

Term Dates 2023/2024

Message from the PTA

Easter Egg Hunt

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with planning, leaflet distribution, egg collection and with the various activities on the day.

We would like to thank Stonellily and Justin Bucknell for selling tickets and donating the 2 golden prizes and, Blooming Balloons for donating the giant balloon bunny and the Costcutter shop for selling tickets for us.

We would also like to thank all the residents of the village for their generosity in kindly donating Easter eggs and money for the hunt.

We have greatly appreciated all your support with this term's community and fundraising activities and wish you all a lovely Easter break

- Easter egg hunt: £899

- Preloved uniform sales: £29.50

- Book sale: £178

- Rags2Riches: £69.76

Total: £1,176.26

11th May 2023: Rags2Riches clothing collection. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us in person or by email (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

INVITATIONS FROM ST MARY'S

All are very welcome to come along to our

SERVICE FOR PALM SUNDAY

In Church on 2 April at 11.00am

Also, why not join us on

Saturday 8 April at 3.00pm for Storytime

when we will hear the

Easter Story

while we assemble the

Easter Garden?

A reminder that the Community Cafe will be re-opening after Easter on 18 April - so hope to see you then!



Updates & Reminders

[The School Lunch Company Summer Menu](#)

The Summer Menu is now available to book. School Lunches for the first week back after the Easter Holidays need to be ordered by 4pm Wednesday 12th April.

[Easter Science Club](#)

[Easter Tennis Club](#)

[Easter Event at the Bucks Museum](#)

[Easter Activities - Bucks Museum](#)

National Guidance

There are lots of respiratory infections that cause sore throats, colds and coughs circulating this time of year.

Flu and coronavirus (COVID-19) are currently circulating at high levels and are likely to continue to increase in coming weeks. High numbers of scarlet fever, which is caused by group A streptococcus, also continue to be reported.

It's important to minimise the spread of infection in school as much as possible:

- If your child is unwell and has a fever, they should stay home from school or nursery until they feel better, and the fever has resolved.
- Teach children the importance of good hand hygiene, practice regular handwashing with soap and warm water.
- Catch coughs and sneezes in tissues then bin them is another simple way to help stop illness from spreading.
- Adults should also try to stay home when unwell and if they do have to go out, wear a face covering. When unwell don't visit healthcare settings or visit vulnerable people unless urgent.
- Remember that flu vaccination is still available for all eligible groups and is the best protection against the virus.

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