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Launton C of E School Newsletter

Message from Friends of Launton School

Thank you very much to everyone who donated their clothing for the Rags2Riches initiative. £70 was raised through this effort. The next collection is being arranged for February 2020.

Please join our PTA Facebook group where you can receive and share information about our fundraising activities: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/902321096595892/?ref=share>

A weekly update to Parents, Grandparents and Carers

Message from Mrs. Paterson

A return to sunshine saw children learning maths outside this morning with a maths orienteering challenge for Beech and Oak learners. Rowan's mathematicians were measuring feet in centimetres... "It was the best maths lesson ever!" declared Jack. "We measured our hands in decimetres. We needed to work in pairs. There are ten decimetres in a metre. We really enjoyed it." Said Henry and Elliot.

Two teams from years 3 and 4 played at Cooper School in the mini football festival this morning and showed excellent teamwork and sportsmanship.

Last Friday's theme day by Matthew, Freddie, Joshua, Callum, Alfie and Oscar. "We have been studying the Mayans, who grew cocoa, therefore may well have invented chocolate. Our evidence is based on ancient legends. Cocoa beans were distributed around the globe by traders exchanging goods with the Mayans. On Friday 11th we worked in pairs to come up with our own ideas for a chocolate bar. We designed our chocolate wrapper and invented a slogan using our imaginations, and could call it whatever we wanted. We drew a cross section of the bar. We named the ingredients and wrote step by step instruction and recipes. We presented our work to everyone and had a competition for the best presentation and design. It was one of the best theme days we have ever had: enjoyable, exciting, engaging and unforgettable."

Please prioritise safety at drop off and pick up times: parking beside the hedge makes it impossible for drivers who are leaving the Parish Hall car park to see cars turning in from the road, and vice versa.

There have been some unusual combinations of clothing worn around school in recent days. The link to the school uniform is below.

<http://www.launtonschool.co.uk/page/detail/uniform>

The Harvest Festival Service will be held in St Mary's Church on Thursday 24th October at 9.30am. and you are all welcome. Donations of tinned food will be taken to the Bicester food bank after the service.



Dates for your diary

Harvest Festival Thursday 24th
October at 9.30am

11th-15th November – Anti-bullying
Week

Week beginning 25th November 2019
– Parents Evenings

Confirmed Term Dates 2019-2020
[Confirmed Term Date 2019/2020 link](#)

Updates and Reminders

Please return your forms with updated permission forms and contact details as soon as possible.

Prioritising safety, we are very conscious of the risk of children with allergies inadvertently coming into contact with food that could trigger a severe reaction. You will be aware from media reports, that serious incidents have occurred elsewhere. Therefore, we urge you to avoid sending any food into school that contains nuts. To keep all our children safe, we will not distribute food in class that has not been prepared by our caterers (who are aware of individual children's allergens). This will not prevent us from cooking in school, as always, with carefully monitored ingredients.

We work within the high standards of health and safety required by the Local Authority, so use of the climbing equipment must be under the supervision of school staff within the school day and **it is not considered safe to be used before or after school or by small siblings.**

The Parish Council have requested that parents do not park in the Parish Hall car park because this leaves no space for users of the Parish Hall.

After School Clubs for Term 2

The afterschool clubs will be running from the w/b 4th November and will run for 6 weeks finishing on Friday 13th December.

Mondays –

- Printing, painting, picture making – Years 3-6

Tuesdays –

- Dance – Year 1-6
- Football – Year 1-4 (run by ACA Coaching)

Wednesday –

- Multiskills (run by ACA Coaching)
- Martial Arts

Thursday –

- Basketball (run by ACA Coaching)

Friday –

- School Football Team Training – Year 5&6

Please book the school clubs via Tucasi, information on how to book ACA Coaching Clubs and Martial Arts can be found on the school website. Booking for school clubs will close on Thursday 24th October.

Please remember that ball games are not permitted before 8.50am.

[Breakfast and Afterschool Care Booking Guidelines](#)

[After school clubs Information](#)
[Half Term Holiday Hub](#)
