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Launton C of E School Newsletter

Message from the PTA

We would like to wish you all a happy and healthy New Year!

Thank you for supporting the PTA activities and events last term. We are looking forward to another term of fundraising and community engagement, and are always pleased to receive ideas and feedback from all parents/carers.

Please join our Facebook and WhatsApp fundraising groups for more information:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/902321096595892/?ref=share>

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/J4NRcYnL8Tb3BU90psnlbZ>

Message from St Mary's Church

NB The Community Caf e resumes on 11/01/22 - So please do come along!

Message from Mrs. Paterson

Much of the newsletter has been written by reporters from around the school this week.

Reporters from Willow Class

We're reading Handa's surprise and writing sentences about it. It is set in Africa. Every time Handa says which fruit she might like, animals take it away to their habitat. We are learning the location of different oceans. The Indian Ocean is the warmest ocean. We learn new vocabulary and we practise using words we have learnt already. *By Millie, Emilie, Rupert and Sophia.*

Reporters from Beech Class

Before we started reading our new class book we judged it on its cover and held a debate about whether it was fiction or non-fiction. Once we started reading it, we realised that it contained both fact and opinion, so it was a bit of both. In maths we have been studying fractions and learning how to multiply, divide, subtract and add them, including simplifying fractions. We are practising netball skills, particularly balancing. We have upgraded our ambitious targets for personal fitness and Launton Laps and given ourselves ambitious challenges for the time or the number of laps. *By James, Immie, Maddie and Pippa.*

Reporters from Chestnut Class

We are learning about the Roman Empire and its impact on Britain. The Romans designed and built roads that were very straight. They traded and brought trade routes from other countries so they could feed their people, make their empire grow and introduce new kinds of metal to other countries from Britain. They took iron and bronze from Britain to other European countries, so it spread throughout the Roman Empire. *By Sofia, Jack D. and Alfie.*

Themed Lunch Day – Thursday 20th January.

If you missed the deadline for ordering this lunch and your child would like to have the themed lunch please email the office (office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk) by 9am Friday 14th January.



Dates for your diary

[Term Dates 2021/2022](#)

[Term Dates 2022/2023](#)

Updates and Reminders

Updated National Guidance

Children aged 5 years and over, and all adults must take lateral flow tests for 7 days if they are a close contact of someone with Covid-19. Children's negative test results should be reported to school daily by email to office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk if the child is non-symptomatic and attending school.

If they test positive, they should self-isolate. If they have symptoms you must order a PCR test.

For primary aged children [LFD test kits are available through the usual routes](#) (community test sites, local pharmacies or online).

Children under five years old do not need to take part in daily testing for contacts of COVID-19 and do not need to isolate unless they develop symptoms.

Anyone over the age of 18 years and 6 months who is not vaccinated, must isolate in line with government guidelines if they are a close contact of a positive case.

If your child tests positive they will need to isolate for 10 days before returning to school. Day 0 is the day the symptoms started or they took the positive test (PCR or LFT).

Your child can return to school on day 8 under the following circumstances

Day 0 – first day of symptoms or day the positive test was taken.

Day 6 – negative LFT (report to school via email office.3085@launton.oxon.sch.uk)

Day 7 – negative LFT (report to school via email) and can return to school

Day 8 – negative LFT can attend school

Day 9 – negative LFT

Day 10- negative LFT

When to keep self-isolating after 10 days - If you have a high temperature after the 10 days, or are feeling unwell, keep self-isolating and seek medical advice.

[SEND Consultation](#)

The local authority has asked us to share this link with you regarding the consultation around Special Educational Needs and Disabilities in Oxfordshire.

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.
