

Launton C of E School Newsletter



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This week, Ash class have been practising their story telling skills. They have been listening to the story of 'The Little Red Hen'. Alice told Ms Ryman "The Little Red Hen plants some grains which then grow into wheat. She then harvests them and takes them to the mill to turn them into flour. Lastly, she uses the flour to make some bread and eats it." All the children in Ash class have been using props, puppets, and pictures to retell the story.

On Monday 14th October, twenty-one key stage 2 pupils took part in Launton's Gymnastics Showcase.

The gymnasts planned in advance their sequence which included a jump, roll, travel movements, individual and partner balances.

All groups performed with confidence and demonstrated both creativity and control.

Well done to all performers.



Bicester Food Bank

Top Ten Items needed -

Tinned Meat
Tinned Fruit
Tinned Fish
Tinned Rice Pudding
Long Life fruit juice
Tinned Meals
Tinned vegetables
Coffee

Reverend Sarah and the children from Chestnut Class will lead our Harvest Festival Service in St Mary's Church at 9.30am on Thursday 24th October. 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 the morning of 24th October. Parents and carers are very welcome to join us. If you are able to help with crossing the road, please speak to Ms Paterson or Mrs Terry in the playground.



Key dates

[Term Dates 2024/2025](#)

Message from the PTA

Christmas is coming..... save the date

The PTA is excited to announce that this year's Christmas Cafe will be on the 1st December.

Put the date in your diaries and come join us for an afternoon of Christmassy crafts, cakes, beverages and more!

We are still putting together a programme of fun family events for the coming year.

Look out for more information on the Launton fundraising Facebook page and in the school newsletter.

Your current trustees are:

Lucy Crawford - Chair (Yr 2)
Emma Austin - Vice-Chair (Yr 1 and 3)
Charlotte Noakes - Secretary (Reception and Yr 3)
Laura Smith - Treasurer (Yr1 and 5)

Catherine Hall - Treasurer (Yr 3)





In other news

Updates & Reminders

School Lunches – There is a new menu starting from Monday 4th November, the ordering system for after half term will open by Monday 21st October. [New Menu](#) Booking for the first day back closes Friday 25th October (rolling 10 days in advance)

Term 2 Activity Clubs – Bookings will open Friday 18th October and close at midday on Wednesday 23rd October

Term 2 After School Activity Clubs			
Monday	Multiskills 6 weeks from 04.11.2024	Key Stage 1	With Mr Mawn (Sports Teacher) Booked through Scopay
Tuesday	Football 6 weeks from 05.11.2024	Key Stage 2	With Ignite Booked through Scopay
Wednesday	Gymnastics and Dance 6 weeks from 06.11.2024	Years 2 – 6	With Ignite Booked through Scopay
Thursday	Art Club – Printing 6 weeks from 07.11.2024	Key Stage 2	With Miss Nightingale Booked through Scopay
Friday	Netball/Basketball 6 weeks from 08.11.2024	Key Stage 2	With Ignite Booked through Scopay

Dates for your diary

Sunday 20th October – Wednesday 23rd October Chestnut Class residential visit to PGL

Thursday 24th October- Harvest Service in St Mary's Church for pupils in Reception to Year 6; parents/ carers welcome. Information about harvest donations for Bicester Food bank will follow in a few weeks when the Foodbank volunteers know what they need for late October.

Thursday 31st October – Deadline for applications for a Secondary School Place

Thursday 12th December – School Christmas Lunch – if your child would like the school Christmas dinner please order through Scopay by 1st December 2024.

Monday 16th December 9.30am – Rowan and Willow Class Nativity – Ticket information to follow

Tuesday 17th December 9.30am – EYFS – Ash Class Nativity – Ticket information to follow

Thursday 19th December 9.30am – Christmas Service in St Mary's Church.

Useful Links –

[Behaviour Policy 2024](#)

[Clubs and Events](#)

[Early Help Guide for Parents](#)

[October Half Term Clubs](#)

[Term 1 Primary School Nurse Newsletter](#)

[Oral Health Newsletter](#)

[Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying](#)

[Launton Village Players Pantomime 2025](#)

[Parent Information Session - Keeping your child safe in sport](#)

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](#)