

# Launton C of E School Newsletter



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Report from the Year 3 and Year 4 rugby teams

“We went to The Cooper School to play rugby against the other schools in Bicester today. We had two teams. George W said “It was very fun”. “We won all three of our matches and it was 6-0 in the lastgame,” explained Ryan and Hector. “On Tuesday we had practised throwing and catching in PE so that was very helpful,” said Joshua. The conditions were very slippery on the grass today.”



The school is filled with the sounds of children in Key Stage 1 and EYFS practising their Nativity songs. Years three and four have been out at a rugby tournament, Years 5 and 6 are preparing to visit the Ardley Energy From Waste recycling on Monday and the cross country qualifiers are off to the finals in Sibford tomorrow morning.



Please remember that Thursday is Christmas Lunch day and all may wear Christmas jumpers in aid of Save the Children.



## Message from the PTA

### Big thank you

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Christmas cafe last Sunday. We hope you all enjoyed yourselves.

The children were kept busy creating some wonderful festive gingerbread houses as well as cookie decorating, badge making and trying their luck at Sprout or Ball. We had a fabulous spread of delicious cakes all kindly donated ,and the Launton Village Players also provided lively christmassy musical entertainment that included interactive snowballs and bell jingling.

A big thank you all the bakers of cakes, and to the Launton Village Players for helping to make it a very jolly and successful afternoon.

If you missed out on coming to the cafe, we have a few craft kits still available. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for further details.

To contact the PTA, email

[friendsofLaunton-pta@googlegroups.com](mailto:friendsofLaunton-pta@googlegroups.com)

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

**Term 3 Activity Clubs** – Bookings will open Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December and will close at midday on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Term 3 After School Activity Clubs			
Monday	Benchball 5 weeks from 13.01.2025	Years 2-4	With Mr Mawn (Sports Teacher) Booked through Scopay
Tuesday	Football 6 weeks from 07.01.2025	Key Stage 2	With Ignite Booked through Scopay
Wednesday	Gymnastics and Dance 6 weeks from 08.01.2025	Years 2 – 6	With Ignite Booked through Scopay
Thursday	Art Club – Painting and Creating Texture 6 weeks from 09.01.2025	Key Stage 2	With Miss Nightingale Booked through Scopay
Friday	Netball/Basketball 6 weeks from 10.01.2025	Key Stage 2	With Ignite Booked through Scopay

**Snowflakes** – If you would like to dedicate a snowflake to a loved one, the children will hang it on the Christmas Tree for you. Make your donation to Cancer Research online via this [link](#) to our Just Giving Page and email the school office with the name of the person to be remembered and we will write it on the snowflake. Alternatively, donations and names can also be posted in the school post box during school hours or snowflakes can be collected from the school office for you to write your message on and to hang on the tree between 9am and 3pm Monday-Friday until Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December.





## Updates & Reminders

### Dates for your diary

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December** – Year 3-4 Boys Rugby Event

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December** – Cross Country at Sibford School for qualifying children

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December** – Chestnut Class visit to Ardley ERF

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – School Christmas Lunch

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am** – Rowan and Willow Class Nativity – Ticket information to follow

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am** – EYFS – Ash Class Nativity – Ticket information to follow

**Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 9.30am** – Christmas Service in St Mary's Church.

### Useful Links –

[Free Football Training for Girls Year 1,2&3](#)

[Clubs and Events](#)

**St Edburgs Christmas Tree Festival** - Friday 6 December, 10am - 7pm, Saturday 7 December, 10am - 7pm, Sunday 8 December, 10am - 7pm

[Launton Village Players Pantomime 2025](#)

[Oral Health Newsletter December 2024](#)

[Support for Parents](#)

**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](#)