

Launton C of E School Newsletter



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Planting projects have already begun in earnest throughout the school, with good use being made of the polytunnel, to encourage early germination... Donations of small pots are welcome this time of year- we are always keen to re-use and recycle.



All the children in Key Stage Two spent a hugely enjoyable day at the Science Centre in Oxford at the end of last term. The staff were very impressed by the quality of their scientific vocabulary!

Oak Class Report

On our visit to the Science Oxford Centre we almost exploded with excitement. In the Exploration Zone, we could make a 'ball on the wall' run, watch ice crystals forming and hear music through our teeth!



In the science classroom, we made a Rube Goldstein machine. This is a chain reaction where one thing leads to another to make something happen. It was very tricky and we had to do lots of trial and error.



Key dates

Term Dates 2022/2023

Term Dates 2023/2024

Message from the PTA

We hope you all had a good Easter break. Thank you all for your continued support. We are looking forward to another term of fundraising events and activities, starting with the summer term Rags2Riches clothing collection on Thursday 11th May 2023. Please donate your good quality reusable clothing.

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



Updates & Reminders

[The School Lunch Company Summer Menu](#)

Class pages on the website have updated information about what children will be learning about this term and a wealth of other curriculum information is available on individual subject pages.

Kings Coronation Themed Lunch on Friday 5th May as part of Coronation themed activities during the day in school. The themed lunch is available to book on the lunch booking system until 26th April.

[Kings Coronation Lunch](#)

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 contains nuts this includes sandwiches containing peanut butter or chocolate spread.