

Launton C of E School Newsletter

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Message from the PTA

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM SCHEME - CAN YOU HELP?

We are looking for someone to manage the pre-loved school uniform initiative. This involves storing uniform, sorting donations and being the point of contact for those that need pieces during term time. If you think you could do this please get in touch! This is a great way to help the Friends of Launton School (FoLS) charity from home if you find helping at events difficult.

Liz Moore started this initiative in 2021 and to date it has raised over £400 and seen hundreds of pieces of clothing reused. Surplus stock has been donated to The Bicester Baby Bank which helps the wider community too. Please help us to keep this going.

Dates for your diary;

Thursday 12th October - Rags2Riches4Schools clothing collection.

Saturday 11th November 4-6pm - Family Barn Dance with live band. We are looking for local businesses to sponsor this event - do you know any that could help?

Speak to us at the school gates or email friendsofLaunton-pta@googlegroups.com if you have any questions or want to get involved.

The trustees this year are;

Chair: Victoria Brandham

Vice Chair: Lucy Crawford

Secretary: Sarah Harrison

Treasurer: Laura Pickering & Laura Smith



Key dates

[Term Dates 2023/2024](#)

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Children in Key Stage 1 wanted to share news of their learning this week. "Yesterday in Rowan class we were learning about animals. We were putting them in groups. We learnt about a white tiger that lives in snowy places so it needs to be white so it can blend in. Other tigers live in warm places," reports Thomas.



"In Willow class we have been learning that there are lots of different groups of animals, like amphibians, reptiles, birds, fish and mammals. Humans are mammals. Frogs are amphibians. We learnt this in science," say Sophie and Molly.

Donations for the Rags2Riches4schools collection may be left in the front garden on 12th October **before 8.45am**.

Flu immunisations have been scheduled in school on 26th September by the school health nursing team. An email has been sent to all parents of reception to Year 6 pupils today with the details.

Discover

Tick-off **50 fantastic things** for you and your child to experience together.

50 Things To Do Before You're Five gives you 50 activities that parents and carers can support their children to try out and repeat. Each of the 50 Things have been carefully developed by education experts and early years practitioners following consultation with parents.

<https://oxfordshire.50thingstodo.org/app/os#!/welcome50ThingsToDo>





Updates & Reminders

Year 6 Secondary School Open Evenings

Heyford Park School – Thursday 21st September 6pm

Whitelands Academy – Wednesday 27th September 6-8pm

[More information](#)

The Cooper School – Thursday 28th September 5-7pm

[More information](#)

The Bicester School – Thursday 5th October 6-8pm

[More information](#)

In other news

[Bicester Rugby Club Open Day 24.09.23](#)

[Kidlington School Brass Band](#)

Whole School Attendance is currently 97% which is excellent. 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](#)

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.