

# Launton C of E School Newsletter



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## Key dates

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Reverend Peter will lead our Harvest Festival Service in St Mary's Church at 10.30am on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. If you feel able to send a contribution, the foods requested by the Food Bank are listed below and children should bring them into school on the morning of 19<sup>th</sup> 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 in the playground: after seven years of fantastic support, our long-standing traffic marshall is no longer available. High-visibility vest, training and a shorter term of office all available...



Thank you to everyone who left donations for the Rags2Riches collection this morning. We raised **£151.85!**

School Photographs – If you order school photographs before Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October you can take advantage of free delivery back to school.

### Bicester Food Bank

#### Top Ten Items needed -

- Tinned Meat
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Tinned Fish
- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Long Life fruit juice
- Long life milk
- Tinned baked beans
- Tinned vegetables
- Tea
- Coffee

Term 2 After School Clubs – Clubs are available to book through Scopay the bookings will close Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October with confirmation emails being sent by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

After School Clubs			
Tuesday	Football 6 weeks from 31.10.23 last session 05.12.23	KS2	Booked through Scopay
Wednesday	Gym and dance 6 weeks from 01.11.23 last session 06.12.23	Year 2-6	Booked through Scopay
Friday	Netball/Basketball 6 weeks from 03.11.23 last session 08.12.23	KS2	Booked through Scopay

## Message from the PTA

FAMILY BARN DANCE - SAT 11th NOV 4-6pm

We invite you to join us for a fun family evening with live music. This event has kindly been supported by Alexander & co.

Tickets are £7.50 per person. Please order in advance via this link:

<https://tinypurl.com/Launton-Barn-Dance>

We will also be drawing a raffle on the night. Thanks to Gemma Tarling for helping to source some prizes. Prizes include vouchers for Bicester Village, Jump Inc, Blenheim Palace, Story Museum, Oxford Playhouse, Bowling at The Heyford and treats from Soho Home. Raffle tickets can be bought together with entrance tickets or in person after half term.

Speak to us at the school gates or email [friendsofLaunton-pta@googlegroups.com](mailto: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



## Updates & Reminders

**Year 6 Secondary School Applications now open, closing date for applications – 31.10.23**

[Secondary School Applications](#)

**School Lunches** – Booking is now open for ordering school lunches for Term 2. The cut off for ordering for the first day back is Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October. Please see links below to the new menu and the Christmas Lunch menu. Christmas Lunch will be on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December and is available to book through Scopay.

[October 2023 Menu](#)

[Christmas Lunch Menu](#)

**Advance notice of dates**

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Lunch

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Nativity performances in the morning by Ash, Rowan and Willow Classes. Information to follow after half term.

**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](#)

[Stagecoach Bicester Performing Arts Classes](#)  
[Term 1 Primary School Health Nurse Newsletter](#)

## In other news

National Online Safety have a “Wake Up Wednesday” campaign giving parents information to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety. Each Wednesday, National Online Safety produce practical, easy to follow guides which focus on specific risks we think you should be aware of. This week’s guide is here and addresses the issue of speaking to children about worrying content that they have seen online.

[#WakeUpWednesday 11.10.23](#)

**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.