

Launton C of E School Newsletter

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Perfect conditions this afternoon for the next round of the Cross Country Championships. Good luck to all the runners from Launton.

And the children in the Early Years Foundation Stage are keen to include some of their learning in this afternoon's newsletter too.



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#!/welcome50 Things To Do](https://oxfordshire.50thingstodo.org/app/os#!/welcome50ThingsToDo)

Thank you to all the parents who have already returned contact and health information and updated permissions on Scopay. The next Rags2Riches4School recycling event is fast approaching if you are having a clear out at home.

Book through your School Life parent's account from 2pm tomorrow until Sunday 13th October for parent-teacher meetings the following week.



Key dates

[Term Dates 2024/2025](#)

Message from the PTA

PRE-LOVED UNIFORM

Has your child had a growth spurt over the summer, are you after any warmer school uniform now the weather has turned chilly or have they managed to lose/destroy it already?

The PTA have a selection of good quality pre-loved uniform for sale at a bargain price. Please take a look at the spreadsheet to see what is available (link is on the Launton School Fundraising page on Facebook), or contact Emma Austin via the PTA email address for more information:

emma@launton-pta@oxfordcups.com

All the money made goes to raise funds for the PTA. So you can help the school and the environment in one shop.

If you have any outgrown uniform that you no longer need then please donate it to the school's pre-loved uniform stock. Contact Emma or any of the PTA to arrange collection.

By way of a reminder, 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)

"AN INVITATION FROM ST MARY'S

All are warmly invited to our next

ALL WELCOME FAMILY SERVICE

In Church on 6 October at 11.00am

This will be our HARVEST SERVICE

when we will be collecting

tinned foods for Bicester Food Bank"



In other news

Applications can now be submitted for children to transfer from Year 6 to Year 7 at secondary school for 2025/26.

Applications should be made online at: www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions

The deadline for receipt of completed applications is 31 October, and National Offer Day is 3 March 2025.

Updates & Reminders

Dates for your diary

Week beginning 14th October parent-teacher meetings for children in Rowan, Willow, Oak, Beech and Chestnut Classes: Booking will open 2pm Friday, it will be via the website so please check that you can log in and email the office if you have a problem doing so. Information was sent in a letter; booking closes Sunday 13th October.

Friday 11th October - Photographer in school for individual pupil pictures

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

Useful Links –

[Behaviour Policy 2024](#)

[Clubs and Events](#)

[Early Help Guide for Parents](#)

[October Half Term Clubs](#)

[Term 1 Primary School Nurse Newsletter](#)

[Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying](#)

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](#)