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# Launton C of E School Newsletter

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## Message from Friends of Launton School

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Countdown to Christmas! Only 2 weeks to go until the Christmas Festival. We are looking forward to an evening of festive family fun. Pre-order forms have been sent home in your children's book bags to give you the opportunity to purchase your tickets in advance.

Please let us know if you can volunteer 30mins of your time or if you can donate a prize for the tombola. Watch this space for more information about the festival.

### Fundraising Links

If you do any shopping online, there are a few simple ways in which you could help to raise extra funds for our charity at no cost to yourselves. Amazon and several other retailers are using online sales to donate a percentage of their profits to our PTA. Please follow the links below to access Amazon Smile and Easyfundraising.

Easyfundraising  
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/launtonschool/> and click 'support us'

Amazon Smile User Guide  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/17e5V7dEzMdtWvVjvomFQ8IPO17f2vmVOyE6fdBDZs9A/mobilebasic>

PTA Facebook  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/902321096595892/?ref=share>

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A weekly update to Parents, Grandparents and Carers

## Message from Mrs. Paterson

We are hoping that by the time you read this newsletter, the 20mph zone outside school will have been installed. We will be working with the Parish Council and the Police to encourage all to respect the new School Zone.

Ms Coleman, our charities co-ordinator has news of plans afoot...

### Snowflakes

We are eagerly anticipating the arrival in the front garden of the Christmas tree. In past years it has looked wonderful, festooned with snowflakes dedicated to the memories of loved ones, for a donation of £5, and this is a tradition that we are hoping the school can assist with this year. Snowflakes are available from school. If you wish to have one, place a donation in an envelope with the name and class of your child on the front (so they can bring the snowflake home at the end of the day). Money raised in this way will be shared between The Hummingbird Centre in Launton and Cancer Research UK. If you would like the snowflake to be hung on the tree once you have written your message on it, please return it to school.

### Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December is "pull on a pullover" Christmas Jumper Day: Save the Children's fundraising day. We have a day of festive fun planned, including the school Christmas Lunch. So it's Christmas Jumpers, hats and sprouts...for all who wish to join in. We will support Save the Children, by delivering age appropriate messages about their work and forwarding the donations of £1 for wearers of Christmas jumpers.

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## Dates for your diary

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Week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> November 2019  
– Parents Evenings

**Christmas Lunch** Friday 13 Dec

Ash and Rowan classes Nativity

- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Dec at 2pm
- Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Dec at 10am

Confirmed Term Dates 2019-2020  
[Confirmed Term Date 2019/2020 link](#)

### Provisional dates for Nativity performances

Oak, Beech and Chestnut classes  
afternoon and evening Wednesday  
18<sup>th</sup> Dec

## Updates and Reminders

Prioritising safety, we are very conscious of the risk of children with allergies inadvertently coming into contact with food that could trigger a severe reaction. You will be aware from media reports, that serious incidents have occurred elsewhere. Therefore, we urge you to avoid sending any food into school that contains nuts. To keep all our children safe, we will not distribute food in class that has not been prepared by our caterers (who are aware of individual children's allergies). This will not prevent us from cooking in school, as always, with carefully monitored ingredients.

### [St Mary's Church Open Evening 21.11.19](#)

#### Photographs

Please return any photograph order forms to school by 25<sup>th</sup> November.

Ash and Rowan classes Nativity performances will be on –  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm and Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December at 10am. No tickets are required for these performances.

The whole school Christmas Dinner will be on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December the deadline for ordering is Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

We will be holding parents' evenings in school on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November and Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November. You will need to use your parent account to book your appointment through the School Life app and booking for parent evening appointments will be available until **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**. Please email the office if you need a reminder of your log in information in order to set up a **parent account**.

We work within the high standards of health and safety required by the Local Authority, so use of the climbing equipment must be under the supervision of school staff within the school day and **it is not considered safe to be used before or after school or by small siblings.**

The Parish Council have requested that parents do not park in the Parish Hall car park because this leaves no space for users of the Parish Hall.

#### [Launton Digi-news](#)

Please find below the latest edition of #ditto magazine which contains many useful updates around keeping parents informed about online safety and how to keep children safe online.

#### [Digi-news](#)

Please remember that ball games are not permitted before 8.50am.

#### [Breakfast and Afterschool Care Booking Guidelines](#)

#### [After school clubs Information](#)

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