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## Launton C of E School Newsletter

# Message from the PTA

The PTA will be holding an online Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 15th June 2021. We will also be holding elections for all committee roles. Further details will be provided shortly.

We would like to thank everyone who donated clothing for the Rags2Riches4Schools fundraising effort.

Friends of Launton School (PTA) Trustees

### **Message from Mrs. Paterson**

Lots of children around school are keen to share their perspective on what has been important to them in their learning this week:

**Rowan Class:** Rupert: 'We have been learning about all the different explorers and inventors. I really liked learning about Amy Johnson and her flight to Australia.'

Miles and Magnus: 'I really enjoy Science. We have been learning about animals and their habitats. I liked exploring these habitats outside.'

The children in Ash class have been experimenting with colour and black paper to create a picture of the solar system. They used a variety of techniques including smudging, shading, dotting and layering. They are experts on the solar system!



#### Comments from Year 6 about this week

"We wanted to support the Blue Peter Green Badge campaign as it would be fun!" commented Emily. "We had to follow 3 pledges- Power, plants and plastic," explained Poppy

"For two weeks we had to stick to these pledges. I turned off the lights in rooms that weren't being used," reported Erin.

"Turn off electronics that are not needed!" instructed Kieran

"We are doing this to help the environment, you can join us to stop global warming and other environmental issues," exclaimed Billy

"I am very excited to hopefully get a Blue Peter green badge," commented Sophia TAKE ACTION NOW!- from all of Willow class!

#### Report from Oak Class by Elliot, Henry, Alfie and Clarence

This week Oak Class entered a competition to be named Britain's funniest class. We found the competition in The Beano comic, which is famous all over the world. Everyone in Oak class was invited to tell their

#### <u>Year 6</u>

Preparations are well underway for the Year 6 leavers; we are having lots of conversations in school about what we can do to make this special within current guidelines, whilst acknowledging that they may change at short notice. Details are being finalised and will be shared imminently.



favourite jokes. We then chose the best ones to enter into the competition. The first ever Beano comic came out in 1938. A new comic comes out every week and includes pranks, jokes, funny stories and competitions. We like it because the characters are so mischievous!

#### Is it a bird? Is it a plane? No, it's Chestnut class superhero

**poems!** Keep your eyes peeled for unusual superheroes in Launton School.

'The Anaconda, squeezes the bad out of robbers' reported Madison.

'Dolphin Kid - his invisibility helps solve crime, catching crooks in his spare time' stated Lily.

And eagle-eyed readers may have noted a focus on synonyms for "said"...

## Dates for your diary

21<sup>st</sup> May 2021 – Class Photographs (These will be done following all Covid Infection Control Guidelines)

Term dates 2020-2021

Tem Dates 2021 2022

## **Updates and Reminders**

Important Information about Lateral Flow Tests (LFD) from Kevin Gordon.

**LFD tests are for people who are symptom free.** They can identify people who have COVID but have no symptoms, and who could be passing it on to others without knowing.

#### Who are COVID LFD home test kits for?

All Adults

• Children and young people who are in secondary school and college (tests provided by the schools). Don't use the LFD test for your primary or pre-school aged children. Primary school aged children or younger children are **NOT** currently part of the Government's LFD testing programme.

#### If you have symptoms of COVID

If you, your child or anyone in the household has symptoms that could be COVID, no matter how mild, you need to get a PCR test.

Get a PCR test - <u>www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test</u> **Do not use an LFD home test.** <u>Link to full information from Kevin Gordon</u>

#### Please be aware that we have children in school with <u>serious</u> 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.

As the weather hopefully continues to improve, please think about sending your child with a sunhat, clearly labelled with their name, and ensure that all the garments that children quickly remove when the sun comes out are also labelled.

Children must not bring suncream to school (or nursery): please apply it before school.

#### REQUEST FROM OXFORDSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE ROAD SAFETY TEAM

We want to continue to improve the safety of child pedestrians and so we are reviewing the advice and guidance we provide.

If you are a parent / carer of primary school aged children, please provide us with your feedback by answering the questions in this survey. We would be grateful if you would encourage other parents / carers you know to complete the online questionnaire. The survey should take around 10 minutes to complete and the feedback we receive will guide our future Road Safety work.

To take part in the survey please visit <a href="https://consultations.oxfordshire.gov.uk/Footsteps/consultationHome">https://consultations.oxfordshire.gov.uk/Footsteps/consultationHome</a>

The survey will remain open until 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021.

Thank you from the Road Safety Team.