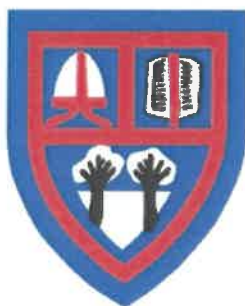


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## LAUNDE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

We hope you had a lovely Whitsun break.

We have had a busy but exciting week as we welcomed back our Foundation stage children to school. It was lovely to see their smiley faces and see how tall they had grown! We are looking forward to welcoming Year 1 pupils next week on a part time basis so we can ease them back into the school routines. Teachers have been busy planning some exciting activities and preparing the classrooms in line with all the social distancing rules.



We have also been talking to teachers from the other year groups, meeting to discuss home learning to make sure it is as supportive as possible for all our pupils that remain at home. Staff will be putting a greater amount of work on line, with built in opportunities for children to keep responding. We know that feedback for pupils is a very big motivator and staff are keen to be in touch with all pupils in their classes. Since the previous newsletter, staff say they have heard from more of you which has been brilliant so thank you for all your efforts to get in touch. We think it helps your children to know their teachers care about what they are doing as well as you. As restrictions put in place by the government have now altered, more staff are able to come into school and may be getting in touch with you to say 'hello!' and see if there is anything else we can do to support you with this unusual time.

As well as the Onedrive learning specific to the year group, we have put some activities on our website. There are French and Spanish recipes to try, activities to support your child's mental well being and PE activities suitable for all year groups. Madam De Bue has created a competition for the pupils to explore the world virtually, a lovely activity for the family to take part in. All eateries will be entered into a draw to win a book voucher. Good luck! Go to the 'Online Zone' to find these activities.



In between planning and preparing, our Year 6 teachers have been busy painting a mural to brighten up some of our outer buildings. Here is their 'underwater' mural on the side of Rivendell.

Leicestershire Sports Partnership would have been running the county's summer athletic event over the past few weeks. Instead, they are organising a virtual competition. It would be great to see some of our pupils have a go at this. LSLSSP have said they will be sending out further details shortly.

## LSLSSP NEWS

Tuesday 2nd June 2020

HEADLINE

### Virtual Athletics coming to South Leicestershire

Monday 8th - Friday 19th June



This year we're bringing the track to you! The virtual competition will run from Monday 8th - Friday 19th June.

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In the absence of our annual primary and secondary Athletics events this year, LSLSSP is introducing the Virtual Athletics competition for Key stage 2,3&4. The Virtual Athletics Competition consists of 4 activities which each individual can take part in, at school or at home, inside or outside, mainstream or inclusive. The 4 activities are as follows:

- Speed Bounce
  - Standing Long Jump
  - Target Throw
  - Ladder Sprints
- \*Inclusive options provided

Are you up for the challenge?

Submit your scores, compete against others and win prizes!

All resources will follow shortly

Any questions, please contact Jon Griffiths (jgriffiths@lsissp.org.uk)



For the musically talented children, there is a great virtual choir opportunity for all Leicester City and Leicestershire County pupils - teaming up with the amazing Mark De-Lisser ( BBC's Our Dementia Choir, BBC 1's Meet the Street at Christmas) singers have the opportunity to learn



Mark's arrangement of A Million Dreams from the Greatest Showman and then record themselves to part of a massed virtual choir recording that will be released via the music hub website.

For those that are interested, parents need to register via this registration link <https://ukleicestershire.speedadmin.dk/registration/> which will take you to the main registration page. Then go to 'singing opportunities' you will find 'A Million Dreams' – Virtual choir Project. Once they have registered you will be sent a password to access the resources and full instructions of how to take part - the project is fully subsidised by the music hub. There is no charge to take part.

Our group of children of critical workers have also had a productive week completing their online learning and have been experimenting with eggs as well as doing lots of exercise themselves outside.

This week the government announced a new Track and Trace system they have put in place. This is available to all children and adults. The details of this can be found by clicking on the following link. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/nhs-test-and-trace-how-it-works> Please use this if you or any member of your family are showing symptoms.

Enjoy your weekend,

Inderjit Sandhu & Kathryn Priddey