



# Launde Newsletter

12 November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had another busy week here at Launde. The staff have been working hard as ever to support your children and have been so pleased to see how well all our children have made progress.

During lesson monitoring sessions that have taken place recently, the children's behaviour has been as exemplary as ever; children are listening hard to their teachers and showing respect for each other's points of view.

This outstanding respect was also evident during our remembrance service yesterday. The whole school congregated on the playground together to mark the 2-minute silence. The children stood respectfully together to mark the occasion. Special thanks also to Mr Woodhead for playing The Last Post on his cornet for everyone.

We hope you all have a wonderful weekend with family and friends.



## Diary Dates

Tuesday 16 November –  
Rainbow's End class  
assembly 2.30pm

Friday 19 November –  
Children in Need

Friday 19 November –  
Cader Idris class assembly  
1.30pm

Monday 29 November –  
Warning Zone trip for  
Cader Idris and the second  
half of Watership Down

Monday 6 December –  
Foundation Christmas  
Concert 10am

Tuesday 7 December –  
Year 1 Christmas Concert  
10am

Wednesday 8 December –  
Year 3 Christmas Concert  
6pm

Thursday 9 December –  
Year 4 Christmas Concert  
6pm

Friday 10 December –  
Christmas Jumper Day

Monday 13 December –  
Year 5 Christmas Concert  
6pm

Tuesday 14 December –  
Christmas Dinner

Tuesday 14 December –  
Flu immunisations

Wednesday 15 December  
– Year 2 Christmas  
Concert 10am

## Children in Need

A reminder that Children in Need is taking place on Friday 19 November.

Children can come to school dressed in superhero costumes, clothes with a superhero design, or Pudsey themed clothes for a £1 donation.

To raise some extra funds, children can purchase a milkshake and biscuit for £1. We will have chocolate and strawberry available, both of which are vegetarian. This is optional. Foundation children will have this in their classrooms and the year 3 swimmers will also have this in their classrooms when they return from Parklands if they wish to take part.

Children will also be able to take part in fun activities within their year group as follows:

**Foundation:** Children will take part in a colouring in competition, biscuit decorating and a Pudsey Bear treasure hunt for a £1 donation.

**Year 1:** Children can take part in the following activities; icing a biscuit, colouring competition, design your own superhero, and superhero fancy dress for a £1 donation.

**Year 2:** Children will be taking part in a scavenger hunt, decorating biscuits and a Superhero Kahoot quiz for a £1 donation.

**Year 3:** Children will be decorating biscuits and having a cinema experience with popcorn for a £1 donation.

**Year 4:** Children will take part in a variety of table top games e.g. treasure maps, how many spots on Pudsey, lucky dips, popcorn, splat the rat etc. for a £1 donation.

**Year 5 and 6:** Children will be running their own stalls. They may sell cakes or organise a game with prizes. Children can bring in pocket money for these stalls.

Thank you for supporting this worthwhile cause.



Wednesday 15 December  
– Year 6 Christmas  
Concert 6pm

Thursday 16 December –  
Sleeping Beauty at De  
Montfort Hall for Years 2-  
6. 1.15pm performance –  
children returning to school  
around 4.30pm

Thursday 16 December –  
The Gingerbread Man  
performance in school by  
Teach It Through Drama  
for Foundation and Year 1

Friday 17 December – Last  
day of term

## Christmas Dates

Tickets for all Christmas concerts will be available to purchase the week commencing 22 November. More information on all of these events will come in letters sent by email, so please do check your inbox regularly.

A letter about Christmas dinner will be sent home with your child early next week so please check bookbags for this.

Here are the Christmas dates again for your diary:

**Monday 6 December** – Foundation Christmas Concert 10am

**Tuesday 7 December** – Year 1 Christmas Concert 10am

**Wednesday 8 December** – Year 3 Christmas Concert 6pm

**Thursday 9 December** – Year 4 Christmas Concert 6pm

**Friday 10 December** – Christmas Jumper Day

**Monday 13 December** – Year 5 Christmas Concert 6pm

**Tuesday 14 December** – Christmas Dinner

**Wednesday 15 December** – Year 2 Christmas Concert 10am

**Wednesday 15 December** – Year 6 Christmas Concert 6pm

**Thursday 16 December** – Sleeping Beauty at De Montfort Hall for Years 2 through 6 - 1.15pm performance – children returning to school around 4.30pm

**Thursday 16 December** – The Gingerbread Man performance in school by Teach It Through Drama for Foundation and Year 1

**Friday 17 December** – Last day of term

## Attendance Award



Our congratulations go to **Beehive** and **Cader Idris** for achieving the highest attendance this week.

## Flu Immunisations

Flu immunisations will be taking place on Tuesday 14 December. Please complete the online consent form by visiting: [www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk](http://www.leicsandrutlandimms.co.uk)

- Select Seasonal Flu
- You will need the code for your school. For Launde Primary School the school code is LE139751

Please note, the consent form needs to be filled in **online**. The nasal spray contains gelatine. There is a gelatine free injection available. Please follow this link for more information:

<https://tinyurl.com/fluprimary>

## The Queen's 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Bank Holiday

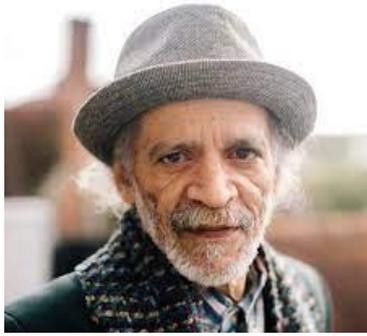
A letter was recently emailed out regarding Her Majesty the Queen's 70th anniversary as monarch, which is being celebrated with an additional Bank Holiday in 2022.

At Launde we have chosen to take this day on the very last day of term. The last day for the children will now be Thursday 7 July.

## The Little Princess Trust

Sia Popat in Year 3 Striding Edge has been fundraising for The Little Princess Trust after having a haircut and deciding to donate her ponytails. So far Sia has raised £367 for the charity. Well done, Sia! She has also been featured on a [local news website](#).

## Author of the week – John Agard



This week the Book Trust awarded the Lifetime Achievement Award to the playwright, poet, and children's writer John Agard. Agard has published more than 50 books, including poetry for all ages, stories, and non-fiction. In 2012, he was presented with the Queen's Gold Medal for poetry and has seen his poems Half Caste and Checking Out Me History studied by thousands of students as part of their GCSE curriculum. Agard grew up in Guyana and developed his love for language by listening to the Test Match Special Cricket commentary on the BBC. He moved to England in 1977, where he became a touring lecturer for the Commonwealth Institute to promote a better understanding of Caribbean culture.

To find out more about Agard's books follow the link which gives a summary and appropriate reading age for each book: <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/booklists/j/john-agard/>



## Parking

We have again received multiple complaints regarding the parking around school during drop off and pick up times. The following vehicles were parked fully on the pavement, blocking the way for pedestrians:

- BD09PCZ
- PN61WEP
- FG09RTO

This can be extremely dangerous for our children, as well as local residents, particularly those in wheelchairs or with pushchairs. We urge anyone who witnesses illegal and dangerous parking to take photos and report the incident to the police via 111 or online.

Thank you to those parents and carers who continue to park responsibly when dropping off or picking up.