

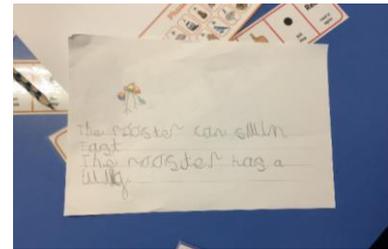


# Launde Newsletter

4 February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

This week our children celebrated Chinese New Year in style by coming to school in celebration clothes and taking part in fun activities. Thank you for your support. There was a lovely atmosphere in school on the day and it is so important to recognise and teach the children other faiths.



## Diary Dates

Monday 7 February and Tuesday 8 February – Parents evening – virtual

Friday 11 February – Children's Mental Health Day - non-uniform

Friday 11 February – Oakwood assembly 9.30am

Monday 14 – Friday 18 February – Half term

## Scholastic Book Fair

Our children have enjoyed visiting the Scholastic Book Fair this week and will continue to do so next week. The fair continues to be open in the afternoons for you to accompany your children. Due to the ongoing Covid situation we ask that you only attend on the day assigned for your child's year group as follows; the times for other year groups have already passed:

- Monday 7 February 2.30-3.45pm – Years 1, 2 and 3.

Books that need to be ordered should be delivered on Wednesday and will be sent home with the children before we break up for February Half Term.

## Children's Mental Health day



Children's Mental Health week this year is Monday 7 – Friday 11 February. There will be activities in class throughout the week and on **Friday 11 February** children will be able to attend in non-uniform for a donation of £1. All donations will go to a local Leicestershire mental health charity called Raising Health.

The theme for this non-uniform day is 'This is Me'. We ask that

children come dressed in clothes they feel represent their personality or that they feel the most comfortable in. These clothes should be appropriate for the weather and children should wear suitable footwear so that they can enjoy playtimes safely.



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## Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening is next week. This is an opportunity for you to talk to your child's class teacher about how they are doing in school. Please remember to check the system is working on your phone/laptop/iPad in plenty of time. You can log in to test this at the weekend before the allocated slot so that you are all ready and can make the most of the time with the teacher. Any queries, do ask at the office and they will be able to help you.

## Move It March



Move it March is a challenge that will run in school throughout March that aims to increase the amount of physical activity completed during the school week – aiming to get children completing at least 60 minutes of activity every day.

We will also be taking part in The Big Walk/Pedal challenge, just like we did last year. This aims to get children being as active as possible after the long winter months.

## Casual cleaners

We are currently seeking casual staff to assist our team with cleaning. As this is a casual role, we cannot guarantee hours or days. Sometimes cleaners are poorly or have appointments so we like to have a contacts list who can fill this role on an ad-hoc basis. If this is an opportunity that would suit you then please do visit the office for an application form.

## Attendance Award



This week the class with the highest attendance in KS1 is **Bramblewood**.

The classes with the highest attendance in KS2 is **Rosewood and Strath Avon**.

## Reporting absences due to Covid

Your child may have Covid even though they have shown no symptoms. This is why it is important to regularly test your child using Lateral Flow Tests.

If your child does test positive on a lateral flow test, we require the following from you, emailed to [office@launde.leics.sch.uk](mailto:office@launde.leics.sch.uk):

- a picture of the lateral flow test
- a copy of the email/text you receive after reporting the result to

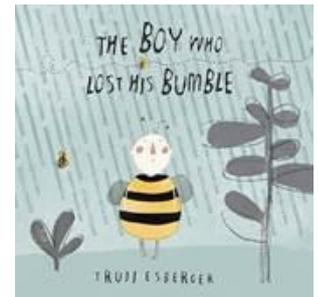
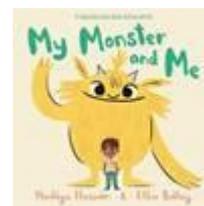
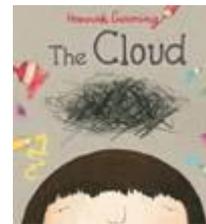
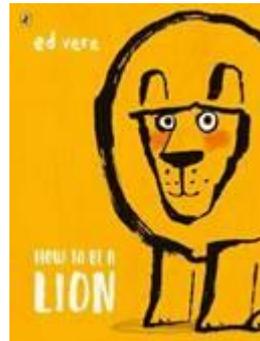
<https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

Children can now leave isolation earlier than 10 days. The day of the positive test is day 0. On day 5 you can begin taking Lateral Flow Tests again. If your child tests negative on two consecutive days (e.g. day 5 and day 6) they can return to school on the day of the second negative test. These negative results must be 24 hours apart. If your child is still testing positive, they will need to remain in isolation until they have 2 consecutive negative tests at least 24 hours apart, or until they have isolated for 10 days.

As well as exploring new places and ideas, reading can be a way to explore your own thoughts and feelings too. As it is Children’s Mental Health Week, here is a selection of books that can help children to start to understand mental health and support a healthy mind. They include titles that touch on sadness, anxiety and finding courage and reassurance, and are books which can help to supply useful strategies and support a growth mindset.

For younger readers:

- *How to be a Lion* by Ed Vere
- *ABC Mindful Me* by Christiane Engel
- *Be brave, Little Penguin* by Giles Andreae
- *Beautiful Oops* by Barney Saltzberg
- *My Monster and Me* by Nadiya Hussain and Ella Bailey
- *Ruby’s Worry* by Tom Percival
- *The Cloud* by Hannah Cumming
- *The Colour Monster* by Anna Llenas
- *The Rabbit Listened* by Cori Doerrfeld
- *The Boy Who Lost His Bumble* by Trudi Esberger
- *When Sadness Comes to Call* by Eva Eland



For older readers:

- *A Pocketful of Stars* by Aisha Bushby
- *Hopewell High: All Too Much* by Jo Cotterill
- *Tiny Infinities* by J H Diehl
- *The Mystery of the Colour Thief* by Ewa Jozefkovicz
- *The Colour Thief* by Andrew Fusek Peters and Polly Peters
- *The Goldfish Boy* by Lisa Thompson
- *Sad Book* by Michael Rosen
- *The Pond* by Nicola Davies
- *Scarlet Ibis* by Gill Lewis
- *Finding a Voice* by Kim Hood
- *Aubrey and the Terrible Yoot* by Horatio Clare
- *The Red Tree* by Shaun Tan

