



Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a delight to begin school again after the half term break. The children have been chatting about all they have been up to during half term – it almost felt 'normal'! At school we have been busy trying our best and getting back into the school routines. We have also been focussing on Internet Safety, an important topic. There is a wealth of useful information via the following link for you to look at and discuss with your children: [https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/#guides for parents](https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/#guides%20for%20parents)

World Book Day

World Book Day takes place on Thursday 3 March 2022 and we would like to invite you to join us in helping your child to make the most of this special occasion.

World Book Day celebrates the joy and value of books and reading especially for children. To help them get started on their reading journey, every child will receive a £1 world book token, that can either be exchanged for one of 10 special £1 world book day books or used to get £1 off any book which costs £2.99 or more. You can find out more about the books at www.worldbookday.com/books

Your child will receive their token on World Book Day. Please help your child to use it on or around world book day by visiting your local bookshops.

On Friday 4 March, we would like your child to come dressed up as a book character to help celebrate World Book Day. If you are struggling for costume ideas or would like more information then please visit the following website: www.worldbookday.com/dressing-up-ideas

Children are never too young to start their journey with books, and the benefits of reading are enormous - so we hope, like us, you will use World Book Day to celebrate it with your child. Good luck and happy reading!

Parent Survey

Thank you to all of those who have returned the parent surveys to us. If you haven't already, please do fill this in and return it to office by Thursday 3 March. It is an excellent way for us to get your feedback and address any concerns you may have.

Diary Dates

Monday 28 February –
Friday 4 March - World Book Week

Friday 4 March - Speedwell class assembly 9.30am

Friday 4 March – World Book Day – dress up as a book character

Friday 11 March – Bramblewood class assembly 9.30am

Friday 18 March – Fourfold Class Assembly 9.30am

Friday 25 March – Striding Top class assembly 9.30am

Sunday 27 March –
Wednesday 30 March –
Conover Hall residential
Year 4 and Year 5

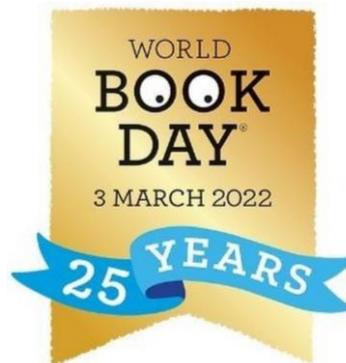
Friday 1 April – Sunburst class assembly 9.30am

Thursday 7 April – Easter Activity Day

Friday 8 April – Vaisakhi Celebration Day

Monday 11 April – Friday 22 April – Easter Break – school is closed

Monday 25 April – School reopens from Summer Term



Launde Football Team

Launde Football Team played their first match of the season on Tuesday night; a cup match against Brookside. Following a few school training sessions, the team demonstrated their commitment and effort. This resulted in a deserved 2-0 lead just after half with both goals from the Captain, Mohammed.

Unfortunately, Brookside scored two late goals to make it 2-2 and take the game to extra time, where a Brookside penalty gave them a 3-2 win. Although, Launde didn't win the game, they showed the key skills of teamwork and positivity that are expected of all Launde pupils. A big thank you from Mr Squires to the parents for their support throughout the game.

Scholastic Book Fair

We would like to say a huge thank you to those of you who sent your children in with money to buy and order books at our recent Scholastic Book Fair. Thanks to you, the children have been excited about reading and we have earned £1891.65 to use towards buying new books for school.



Attendance Award



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

The class with the highest attendance in KS2 for the half term is **Foxton**.

Move It March

Move it March is a challenge that will run in school from next week. It aims to increase the amount of physical activity completed during the school week. The children will have received an activity tracker sheet with 67 wolf heads on. Each time your child does 15 minutes of physical activity at home, they need to colour one of the heads in.

At the end of March, please send their completed activity tracker in; they will receive a certificate for their level of participation and if they have made it to the platinum level, will be entered into a prize draw.

If you would like to find out more information about the Move it March challenge, you can watch the following short assembly made by the local school sports partnership:

<https://youtu.be/mVxuktwqaDw>

Thank you
Mr Squires



Covid reporting

As of Thursday 24 February, people who test positive for Covid are now longer legally required to isolate. However, the government still **advise** that adults and children who test positive stay at home and to avoid contact with other people. After 5 days, they may to take a Lateral Flow Test followed by another the next day - if both are negative, and they do not have a temperature, they can safely return to their normal routine.

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.

Author of the Week – Jan Pieńkowski 8 August 1936 - 19 February 2022

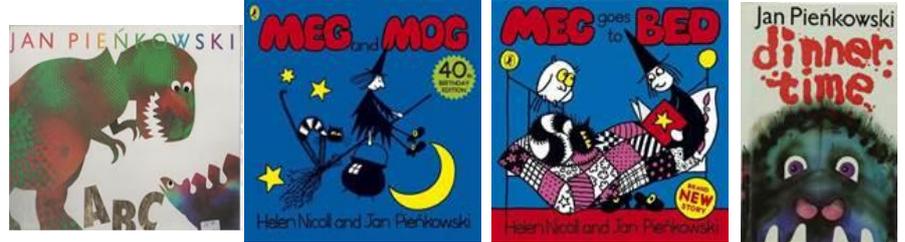


Jan Pieńkowski was a Polish-British author whose funny, moving and beautifully constructed work moves effortlessly between haunting fairy tales, well-meaning witches, elaborate feats of paper engineering, and early learning picture books for babies. In 2019, he was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award for his pioneering children's books, which have included *Haunted House* and the *Meg and Mog* series.

Below are some of his books, covering a wide range of reading ages.

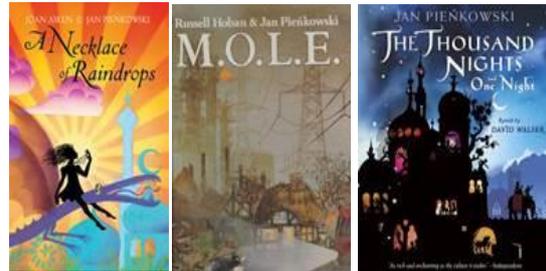
Younger readers:

- ABC
- Meg and Mog
- Meg goes to Bed
- Dinner Time



Older readers:

- A Necklace of Raindrops
- M.O.L.E
- The Thousand Nights and One Night





Midday Supervisor Vacancy

Launde Primary School requires a midday supervisor to work 1 hour a day.

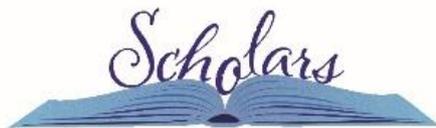
11.45am – 12.45pm

Monday to Friday, term time only.

£9.62 per hour.

To start ASAP.

If you would like to join our team and to find out more information, please collect an application pack from the school office.



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