



Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a successful week at school, enjoying the warmer weather. Thank you very much for all your support through the completion of the parent survey that we have recently sent out. We had a good response. Thank you for all the positive results and comments. It was good for staff to hear. Any suggestions and queries are being followed up and we will report back on these to all parents when the full analysis has been completed.

Red Nose Day

This year Red Nose Day is on this Friday 18 March. To take part we are inviting all children to come to school in non-uniform for a £1 donation. All donations will go towards the Comic Relief Fund. Children **will not** need any additional money on this day.



Maths Day at King Power

We were very lucky to be invited to take 10 Year 3s and 10 Year 4s to the King Power Stadium on Wednesday for a Maths Day. The children were able to take part in lots of fun Maths activities in and around the stadium.



Diary Dates

Friday 18 March – Fourfold Class Assembly 9.30am

Friday 18 March – Red Nose Day – non-uniform day

Monday 21 March – Year 5 trip to Leicester Central Mosque

Tuesday 22 March – Stepping Stones Church Visit

Wednesday 23 March – Sunburst Church Visit

Wednesday 23 March – Year 5 in school visit from Contender Charlie for Romeo & Juliet

Thursday 24 March – Rainbow's End Church Visit

Friday 25 March – Striding Top class assembly 9.30am

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

Wednesday 30 March – Year 4 Non-Condoover teambuilding trip to the King Power Stadium

Friday 1 April – Sunburst class assembly 9.30am

Monday 4 April – Year 3 Celtic trip to Beaumanor Hall

Wednesday 6 April – Year 5 trip to the national Justice Museum, Nottingham

Thursday 7 April – Easter Activity Day

Friday 8 April – Vaisakhi Celebration Day

Monday 11 April – Friday 22 April – Easter Break – school is closed – reopens Monday 25 April

New arrangements for Year 1 drop off and pick up

From Monday 14 March the children in Year 1 will no longer need to line up on the infant playground for either drop off or pick up times. In the mornings the children will need to go to their classroom door where their teacher will be waiting outside for them from 8.40am.

The children can then be collected from their classroom at 3.15pm.

In line with this change, the car park gates leading to the infant playground will no longer be open during drop off and pick up times from Monday 14 March so please revert to using the main gate at the bottom of New Street.

Covid reporting

The government guidance has recently changed meaning that 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, and so we will continue to follow this advice.

If your child tests positive they should not attend school. After 5 days, they may 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.

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**.

Schoolgateway

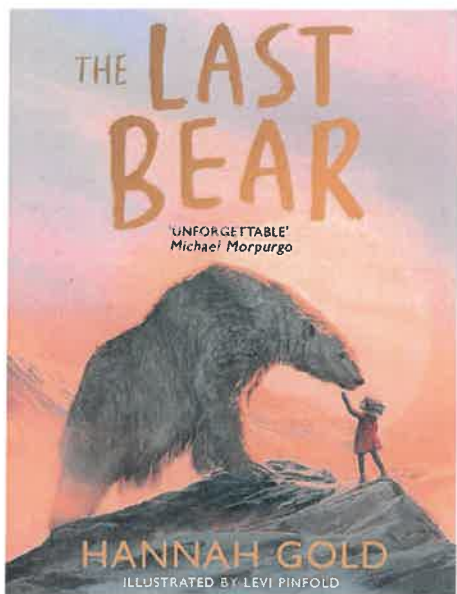
Following feedback from some parents, if you are using the Schoolgateway app, please ensure that notifications are enabled in your phone's settings so that you will see any messages sent straight away. The schoolgateway is the easiest way for us to send messages to a large number of parents/carers at one time and therefore is used for urgent messages regarding school closures, cancellations of clubs etc.

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.

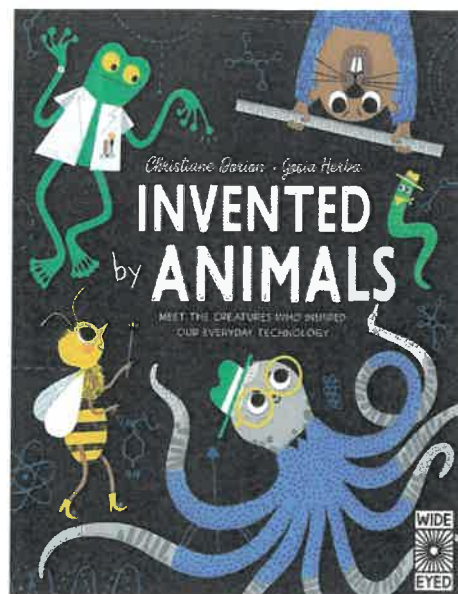
Since 2000, the enormously popular and influential Blue Peter Book Awards have been recognising and celebrating the best authors, the most creative illustrators and the greatest reads for children.

This year the winning books are **The Last Bear** by Hannah Gold (illustrated by Levi Pinfold), and **Invented by Animals** by Christiane Dorian (illustrated by Gosia Herba).



The Last Bear won the award for best fiction book. It is a moving tale that mixes the adventure of life in the Arctic Circle with danger, excitement, a touching exploration of April's relationship with her father, and a thought-provoking exploration of the climate emergency.

Invented by Animals won the award for best book with facts. It is a fun and informative non-fiction book that explores how animal anatomy, behaviour and skills have influenced the development of a range of human inventions.





Launde Parents Group

Meet the Committee

To get involved and find out more about what we do or how you could help, please get in touch. Parentsgroup@launde.leics.sch.uk
If you see us around school, come up and say hello!



Kerry Roberts
Chair

I have 2 children in
Year 3 & 1 in Year 6



**Sofia-Maria
Aslanidou**
Vice Chair

I have children in
Foundation & Year 2



Amadi Udu
Secretary

I have a child in
Year 5



Marco Burattin
Treasurer

I have children in
Years 3, 4 & 5

Please welcome our new committee members who were voted in at our AGM meeting in Jan.

WHY NOT COME ALONG TO OUR NEXT MEETING?

Monday 14th March. In the Hall. 2pm until 3pm.

Refreshments available.

