

# 30 August 2019

## Welcome

Welcome back to another year at Launde, we hope you have all had a good summer. It has been lovely seeing all the children in their smart new uniform looking very eager to learn.

Just a few reminders for the beginning of the year, please can parents remember that all children from year 1 upwards need plimsoles to change into. Please can this be rectified as soon as possible if you have not yet purchased any.

Reminder to all children who have long hair that it needs to be tied back so that it does not fall over their faces when they are trying to work and also not get caught when doing PE.

In assembly we did remind girls that they do not wear big bows on head bands and that they probably don't need their headband if the hair is nicely tied back. The other thing that is not part of school uniform is leggings with dresses or leggings at all. Children who need to cover their legs have the option of wearing trousers so there is no need to wear leggings under a dress.

# Active Month

Following on from last year we will be encouraging children to be as active as they can be. Each month there will a different activity for children to follow. The children will then be rewarded for their efforts. We are going to be encouraging all children to participate in swimming lessons so the school lessons assist in improving swimming and not be the starting point for teaching. The younger the child goes swimming the more confident they are when swimming with school to improve techniques.

Over the coming months we will be focusing on walking, jogging/ running, dancing, yoga and building up endurance as part of the improved activity.

We want to encourage children to cycle to school but parents must ensure that the children do not ride their bikes on the school premises and more importantly that parents themselves model this to the children by not riding their own bikes through the school grounds. The same applies to scooters. Staff will be approaching all parents or children to ask them to stop doing this if it does arise.

Cycling is the active month activity for September.

# **Diary Dates**

Thursday 5 Sept – Foundation Parents Reading Workshop 6pm – Hall – no children, parents only

Tuesday 10 Sept – Foundation Parents Maths Workshop 6pm – Hall – no children, parents only

Thursday 12 Sept – Skern Meeting Year 6 Parents 6pm -Hall

Friday 13 Sept – Bradgate Assembly 1.30 pm

Friday 20 Sept – Rivendell Assembly 1.30 pm

Tuesday 24 Sept – Year 6 visit Twycross Zoo

Wednesday 25 Sept – Year 4 visit Conkers for Roman Day

Thursday 26 Sept – Maths Workshops 9.15 am 1.45 pm and 6 pm

Please note that May Day 2020 has been moved and will now take place on Friday 8 May to coincide with the 75 anniversary of VE Day.

#### Year Group Letters Curriculum

Today you will receive your children's curriculum year letters which are designed to assist you in supporting your child over the coming months. Please take time to read the information as it will give ideas and suggestions of when and what you can do to the support the learning as well as the activities that will be happening this term.

# New Hall

We are pleased to inform you that the new hall should be up and running by October and hopefully we can then allow the normal access through the school grounds. Thank you for all your patience over the last half term and the continued support with regards to the upheaval. The upset will be worth it to have two halls at the end of it which will enable children to have more PE and other activities.

#### Staff

Congratulations to Miss Woch who got married over the summer holidays and she will now be known by her married name of Mrs Williams.

# Collection at the end of the Day

Please can parents ensure that the staff know who is picking their child up if it is not yourselves or one of the ones that you have previously informed us of. This is just as important in the older age groups as well as for the collection of younger children.

Any child who is walking home in Year 5 and Year 6 must have a letter completed by yourselves. Forms can be found in the office.

#### Waitrose Charity

We would like to thank all the parents who put the tokens in the Waitrose charity box nominating Launde to receive the Waitrose award. We are pleased to receive a cheque for £240 for resources for children. Once again thank you for supporting Launde.

#### Collection at the end of the Day

Please can I inform all new parents that you are not allowed to park in the school car park. Please note that the gates are only open for walking access whilst the building work is being completed. Cars coming in and out will cause a problem for the parents who are walking through to collect their children.