



Dear Parents and Carers

Next week in school we are celebrating Children's Mental Health Week. The theme this year is Let's Connect, where we will be talking to children about how we make those meaningful connections with our peers and people who are important to us.



When we have healthy connections, this can support our mental health and our sense of wellbeing. We will be encouraging children to think about the connections they have to other people and how to successfully sustain these.

If you would like to support this at home as well then please visit

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/> where there is lots more information and resources that you can use as a family.

During this week we will also be joining schools and youth organisations across the UK in celebrating safer Internet day 2023. Please see the attached letter explaining how this will be taught in your child's classrooms and also how you can be part of this at home.



## Art Exhibition

A reminder that all our parents are invited in to see the children's art work on 6 and 7 February for our art exhibition called 'My Masterpiece' that we are holding to promote the importance of creativity and art in the curriculum that we offer. Every child will have a piece of art displayed in the hall inspired by the artists that they are studying in their year group. The hall will be open from 2.45pm until 4.15pm on both days. This is at the same time as the book look event so parents can come to their child's class and then pop to the hall to see the super art work on display. These of course will be available for parents to keep and treasure following the exhibition.

## Parents' Evening

Our Spring parents' meetings will be held virtually on Monday 13, Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 February. We encourage you to take this opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress. There is a book look happening on Monday 6 February for KS2 and Tuesday 7 February for KS1 which gives you the change to look at your child's books and work around the classroom. Please may I take this opportunity to remind you that during the book look teachers will not discuss any child's progress.

## Diary Dates

Monday 6 February – Book look KS2 2.45pm-4.15pm (drop in)

Tuesday 7 February – Book look Foundation & KS1 2.45pm-4.15pm (drop in)

Monday 6 and Tuesday 7 February – Art Exhibition 2.45pm – 4.15pm (drop in)

Wednesday 8 February – Monday 13 February – Scholastic Book Fair in the hall.

Friday 10 February – Bramblewood Assembly 9.30am (**CHANGE OF DATE**)

Monday 13 and Tuesday 14 February – Parents Evening

Thursday 16 February – Swithland Assembly 2.15pm (**CHANGE OF DATE**)

Monday 20 – Friday 24 February – Half Term

## Book Fair

From 8 February until 10 February there will be an exciting opportunity to visit the Scholastic Book Fair, in the New hall after school. Please see the letter sent out earlier on in the week for further details.



The fair will be open to parents on the following dates:

- **Wednesday 8 February – 3.15pm - 4pm**
- **Thursday 9 February – 3.15pm - 4pm**
- **Friday 10 February – 3.15pm - 3.45pm**

## Cross County

Congratulations to all the children who took part in the cross-country qualifiers race at Manor High yesterday. These children had come in the top 25 of their races back in the Autumn term.

Of the 22 children that took part from Launde, 13 of them have now qualified for the cross-country championships at Market Harborough on Saturday 4 March, where they will represent Oadby and Wigston. We look forward to cheering them on then too, hopefully bringing home some silverware!

### Full results as follows:

Year 3 boys: Nayan (3), Ryan (5), Ibrahim (10), Abdullah (15);

Year 4 girls: Naia (1), Jessica (8), Taqwa (10), Mehwish (11), Caitlin (12);

Year 5 boys: Hamza (5), Lawrence (8), Zain (15);

Year 5 girls: Saanvi (4), Teresa (6), Anya (7);

Year 6 boys: Hanson (14), Flynn (16), Rohan (17);

Year 6 girls: Malak (2), Ruby (6), Halima (11), Hanna (16).



## Attendance Award



This week the classes with the highest attendance in KS1 is Sunburst.

The class with the highest attendance in KS2 this week is Striding Top.

**Congratulations!**



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Dear Parents/Carers,

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February marks Safer Internet Day 2023 with celebrations and learning based around the theme **'Want to talk about it? Making space for conversations about life online'**.

Safer Internet Day is a global campaign to promote the safe and responsible use of technology, which calls on young people, parents, carers, teachers, social workers, law enforcement, companies, policymakers and more to join together in helping to create a better internet.

Using the internet safely and positively is a key message that we promote at Launde Primary School and celebrating this campaign is a great opportunity for us to re-emphasise the online safety messages we deliver throughout the year. The children will be participating in a range of engaging activities in their year groups including watching videos, reading stories and playing games to get them talking about their online habits.

As part of Safer Internet Day, the children will also be learning about how to stay SMART online. SMART is a set of six rules aimed at primary aged children to help them to stay safe online. Our aim is that all children will become familiar with these rules and keep them in mind when using the internet. A copy of the SMART poster can be found attached to this letter.

We would be delighted if you could join us in celebrating this event by continuing the conversation at home. To help you with this, you may be interested in downloading the free Safer Internet Day Education Pack for Parents and Carers which is available at: [saferinternet.org.uk/sid-parents](https://saferinternet.org.uk/sid-parents)  
Some other resources which you may find helpful in supporting your child online are:

- Advice for parents and carers from **Childnet** - <https://www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers/>
- Help on using parental controls and privacy settings from **Internet Matters** - <https://www.internetmatters.org/parental-controls/>
- Support for Parent's and Carers on **CEOP** - <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

Online safety is an important issue which as a school we're committed to teaching our pupils about. If you have any concerns or questions about keeping your child safe online, please do get in touch with your child's class teacher or ourselves.

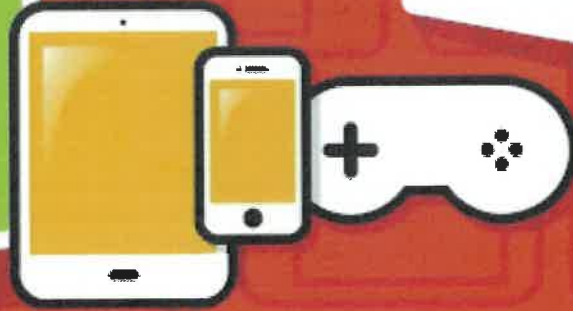
Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Williams, Mrs Lynch and Mrs Wakeling  
The Computing Team

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# BE SMART ONLINE



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## SAFE

Keep your personal information safe. When chatting or posting online don't give away things like your full name, password or home address. Remember personal information can be seen in images and videos you share too. Keep them safe to keep yourself safe.



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## MEET

Meeting up with someone you only know online, even a friend of a friend, can be dangerous as this person is still a stranger. If someone you only know online ever asks you to meet up, for personal information or for photos/videos of you then tell an adult straight away and report them together on [www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

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## ACCEPTING

Think carefully before you click on or open something online (e.g. links, adverts, friend requests, photos) as you never know where they may lead to or they may contain viruses. Do not accept something if you are unsure of who the person is or what they've sent you.



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## RELIABLE

You cannot trust everything you see online as some things can be out of date, inaccurate or not entirely true. To find reliable information compare at least three different websites, check in books and talk to someone about what you have found.



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## TELL

Tell a trusted adult if something or someone ever makes you feel upset, worried or confused. This could be if you or someone you know is being bullied online. There are lots of people who will be able to help you like your teachers, parents, carers or contact Childline – 0800 11 11 or [www.childline.org.uk](http://www.childline.org.uk)



## BE SMART WITH A HEART

Remember to always be smart with a heart by being kind and respectful to others online. Make the internet a better place by helping your friends if they are worried or upset by anything that happens online.



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