



*Loving to learn, Learning to love.
For every child a chance to shine*



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another wonderful week of learning at Layston. I have enjoyed dropping into classes and chatting to the children about their learning. Our YR children have enjoyed observing caterpillars and learning all about life cycles. Y4 children have had great experience learning all about ancient Egypt and mummification. They were very excited to tell me all about this in great detail!

Reminders:

Please can you check that you have named all of your children's uniform, particularly jumpers and cardigans as we have found a few unnamed items on the school field. Snack pots also need to be named.

Communication:

Should you wish to contact your child's class teacher or a member of the staff team please only do so via admin@layston.herts.sch.uk. The admin team will then ensure the information is passed on to the correct team and follow up with a response to you. This will ensure communications are not missed and things are followed up in a timely fashion.

FOLS NEED YOU!

Who are FOLS and what do you do?

FOL, Friends of Layston School, are a group of volunteers who run fundraising events to raise money for all the big & little extras for the children of Layston School. We run events such as the cake bakes, Easter raffles, summer & Christmas Fairs and non-uniform days. The money we raise is then used to fund fun learning activities and extras for the children in school such as the reindeer visits at Christmas, hatching chicks in year 4, fun science workshops and special treats.

In the past, we have raised money for specific projects like purchasing I pads for children to use in class and additional climbing frames and equipment for the playground. It's been a really tough couple of years as we haven't really been able to do much fundraising or run any big events where the children can get together and have fun. Finally, we are now allowed to do these things again and so we are currently planning events for the summer term.

How can I help?

We are currently a small (but friendly!) team of Mums and we are really looking to grow in numbers to be able to run some larger events, such as a Summer Fair. We don't need full-time commitment from you - we don't hold weekly meetings it's usually only every half term, and you are never tied into anything! We just would love some extra people to help with ideas, help out at events - ie helping on your child's cake bake stall or helping set up or man a stall at the fairs etc. We have a WhatsApp group that we can add you into and then if and when you can help with something you can let us know.





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Who do I contact?

If you are interested in helping out please call or message Kerri (07815 014031) and she will be more than happy to give you a bit more info if you need it or welcome you to the team!

Testing and responding to cases of Covid:

- The legal requirement to self-isolate has been removed, though staff and pupils are advised to try to stay home if they have symptoms of a respiratory infection and a high temperature, or if they feel unwell (returning to school when they feel well enough, and no longer have a high temperature)
- Those with a positive test result will be advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people:
 - Pupils for 3 days

Please remember to report your child's absence by 8:45am to the office on 01763271235.

Have an enjoyable weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone on Monday.

Best wishes

Adele McMurrough
Headteacher

