

Friday 14th October 2016

Infant and Nursery Newsletter



Parent – Teacher Consultations and Book Fair

Parent-teacher consultations are taking place for all year groups after school on **Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th October**. Please sign up on the list outside your child's classroom.

We are holding this event in the school hall again this year, alongside a **Scholastic Book Sale**.

You will be able to purchase or order books both evenings. There are hundreds of great children's books to choose from and some titles that cannot be bought elsewhere.

As a bonus, the school will receive a percentage of the sales in books for our Library, which means the children will benefit from every book that is sold.



REMINDER 19th October 2016

Year 1 Parents are invited to come in to look at their child's work before school starts (8.45am to 9.00am)
Watch out for the invitations.

Buggies and Bikes

Please **do not** leave buggies or bikes in the playground - there is a cycle park (*next to Year 2 Play trail*) where they can be left (*preferably locked*) at your own risk.

Harvest Festival

This year we will be celebrating Harvest during the week commencing 17th October. We are going to ask you to help support the Exeter Food Bank, a local charity which provides emergency parcels of **non-perishable** food for local people in crisis.

If you want to find out more visit their web page:
www.exeterfoodbank.org.uk



Parking – Safety: Concerns are growing of the dangers of parking/dropping off on the zig zag lines and between the traffic cones. Offenders will be reported to our PCSO. **Keeping children safe at all times is paramount.** **Dogs** (*carried or otherwise*) and **smoking** (*including e-cigarettes*) are also not allowed on the school premises.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO CLOSE THE GATES BEHIND YOU.

Journey to and from School Safety concerns

St Mark's Church staff have expressed their concern for families who are cutting through their car park from Pinhoe Road. The car park is in use 24 hours a day and should not be used as a short cut. Children racing through on their scooters or just running are not aware of cars reversing. Parents seem oblivious to the dangers.

We ask that parents supervise their children to and from school and to be more vigilant around parked cars.

School Photographer

The photographer will be coming to school on **Monday 7th November 2016**. All children in the school will be photographed individually and family photographs will take place after school. Full details out today (separate letter).

HALF TERM HOLIDAY
24th – 28th October 2016 (inc).

Ladysmith Infant and Nursery School 01392 271596



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**'Working Together'
Drop-in-Session
(Open to all parents and carers)**

**Tuesday 18th October 2016
9.10am-10.30am
in the old
Health Centre Room
in the Infant's School**

Everyone is invited to drop-in to this informal session to have a cuppa and chat!
Hope to see you there.

Food Technology

Please remember to make a donation towards the cost of cooking ingredients before the end of term if you haven't already done so:

Reception: £5 per term please, to cover the cost of their Friday snack (toast and preserves) and cooking ingredients.

Year 1 and Year 2: £3 per term please, to cover the cost of cooking ingredients.

Internet

The internet is now a part of our daily lives and keeping up with the latest apps can be difficult, especially when you are trying to protect your children from unsuitable content. The following link takes you to a site run by the NSPCC where you can find out about the latest apps and assess the risk for yourself.

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk>

**Pumpkins in the Park
(Heavitree Pleasure Ground)
Saturday 29th October 2016
2-4 p.m.**

This is a free event with coffee and cakes, pumpkin carving, story telling and seasonal treats and many more activities.

www.parklifeheavitree.org.uk

Flu Vaccination

The nasal flu vaccine will be given on Monday 31st October 2016 (*the first day back after half term*) to those children who handed in their consent form before the deadline. The Pharmacist has requested that, if possible, can the children having the vaccine bring in their NHS Red Book (Personal Health Record Book) on the day.

Year 1

Parents are invited to come to a sit down talk on

**'How Phonics is Taught in School'
Wednesday 2nd November 2016**

9.15am promptly.

The talk will last approximately 15 minutes.

Please book this date in your diary

Pollution - Reminder

The pollution level from vehicle emissions outside both schools is very high at drop-off and pick-up times. This is bound to be having an effect on the children especially those affected by breathing problems or allergies.

Parents are asked to help and **switch the engine off** whilst waiting.



**Fireworks Night
Friday 4th November 2016**

Firework tickets go on sale to all from **Monday 17th October 2016**, they sell out really fast so don't delay!

If you can help on the night please sign up -we need volunteer helpers especially on the games, hot dog and chip stalls.

It's a great way of getting involved and is a lot of fun!

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