

# Ladysmith Federation

## Junior School News

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016

### Year 3 Outdoor Education



*On Monday, we had a Stone Age afternoon. Life in the Stone Age wasn't easy! There were no ovens, so we had to make fire ourselves using flint. We had to be very patient because it took lots of attempts but we did it in the end. We also sharpened sticks which would have been used to kill animals. The knives were very sharp, but Miss Deer made sure we were all safe. By Lucas and Jordan in 3LD*

### Wet Weather Field Use

Thank you to everyone who has returned a slip giving permission for their child to use their football boots at lunchtime. Boots will only be necessary on days on which it is too wet for normal trainers / school shoes. On these days, only children with suitable footwear will be allowed to use the field. We would also like to invite any children who still wish to use the field but do not wish to play football, to bring in wellies so that they can continue to enjoy areas of the field during the wetter weather.



### Football Tournament

Good luck to the Ladysmith B team who are playing St Nicholas and Whipton Barton in round 2 of the EPFL (Exeter Primary Football League) on Monday after school.

### Killerton Run

This takes place next Tuesday. A final details letter was emailed out to parents of all children attending on Tuesday. Please let Mr Broad know if you have any questions.



### Year 6 Remembrance Day Service

Once again, we were proud of the way the year 6 children conducted themselves at the memorial service today at the cemetery. Year 3, 4 and 5 attended a school assembly in the morning to observe a 2-minute silence and learn about what Remembrance Day is all about.

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## Lost Property



Please could you have a look at home for a PE kit belonging to a child in year 3. It is a black bag with 'Top Gear' down the side. All belongings are clearly labelled.

We also have a growing collection of lost soft toys – please come to the office if you recognise any of these toys.

## Year 5 Christmas Celebration

The children have already started to rehearse songs for our year 5 Christmas Celebration which will be on 8<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm. We hope that as many of you as possible will be able to join us. There are no tickets; just turn up and enjoy some festive music and singing! We will need the children to arrive at St Mark's Church no earlier than 5.40pm. We will be finished by approximately 6.30pm. We are asking that children wear jeans and a plain white t-shirt which they are welcome to decorate with tinsel.

## Wildlife Champions

The Wildlife Champions will be working with Paul Martin from the Devon Wildlife Trust on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November to create some bug hotels. They will need their wellies on that day.

## Children In Need



Next Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November is Children in Need day. We are inviting the children to come to school in non-school uniform for a donation to the charity. If they would like to, children can take part in this year's 'spotacular' theme by accessorising with spots for the day!

## Fireworks

Please see the PTFA update below. Fireworks night was a huge success and we would like to thank the PTFA and all of the volunteers who made the event possible. We would like to say a special thank you to Charlie Nixon who did an amazing job organising and coordinating the event.

## **PTFA Update**



Our FUNdraisers fireworks night went off with a bang last Friday! We hope you all enjoyed the event. It wouldn't have been possible without the wonderful volunteer support, so a huge thank you to all those parents, teachers and other staff members who got involved!

Special thanks goes to....

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Ben Grashoff, a dad at the school who sorted out all things electric from start to finish - phew!, and Fred van der Hoek who home brewed all the delicious Ladysmith Ale for us, donated to us generously by Ben & Dao Thorne! Also thanks goes out to the fantastic Southern Troubadors, our live band who gave up their time to play for us and helped create a great atmosphere on the evening. And to the Year 3 Taiko drummers for their great performance. Of course a big thanks to Andy Hawkins, the junior school site manager, who ran around all day and night to sort out many problems for us! Also thank you to Waitrose for donating 50 coconuts, and to Morrisons for donating 35 pumpkins!

We would welcome any feedback about the event - please contact [ladysmithptfa@googlemail.com](mailto:ladysmithptfa@googlemail.com). We will give you the final amount raised when it is all counted up, soon...!



The PTFA are pleased to announce that Theatre Alibi will be coming again to the Junior School with their latest production

### [The Boy Who Climbed Into The Moon](#)

*From the book by David Almond.*

On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm

£4 child / £5 adult

Tickets are available from Exeter Phoenix and also on sale outside Infant School Reception the week before 3.20-3.40pm from Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November until show date.

### Dates for the diary:

- 14<sup>th</sup> November – Bike It all week
- 15<sup>th</sup> November – Killerton Run
- 18<sup>th</sup> November – Children in Need – non-uniform day
- 21<sup>st</sup> November – Wildlife Champions working with Paul Martin  
(wellies needed!)
- 22<sup>nd</sup> November- Y6 Refugee workshop (in school time)
- 28<sup>th</sup> November - Y6 Refugee workshop (in school time)
- 29<sup>th</sup> November - Y6 Refugee workshop (in school time)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> December – Y4 Dark Ages Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> December – Theatre Alibi – 7pm
- 8<sup>th</sup> December – Y5 Christmas Celebration at St Mark's Church
- 9<sup>th</sup> December – Y5 at The Phoenix (in school time)
- 9<sup>th</sup> December – Year 6 WW2 day
- 12<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Disco – timings tbc
- 13<sup>th</sup> December – Open afternoon – 3.30pm – 5pm
- 14<sup>th</sup> December – Y3/4 Christmas Celebration – 2.30pm-3.15pm
- 15<sup>th</sup> December – Y3/4 Christmas Celebration - 2.30pm-3.15pm
- 16<sup>th</sup> December – Last Day of term
- 4<sup>th</sup> January – Back to school



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