Ladysmith Federation

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 23rd March 2018



A huge Thank You to everyone who took part in the joint family run before school yesterday on the Golden Mile Track at the Junior School. Altogether the children ran 55 miles!

It was great to see so many children dressed up today as their favourite sports star raising money for Sport's Relief. We will announce the total amount raised for this good cause in next week's newsletter.

> The children had fun learning about Carnivals through a range of activities, including, samba

workshops, circus skills and mask making! Thank you to Mrs Nyeko who brought over some children from

STARS OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to our Stars of the Week who all enjoyed a hot chocolate!

Carnival Week











the Junior School to join in.





School was closed all day Monday 19th March and Reception Parent Consultations were postponed until next Monday (26th March). Thank you for your understanding.



Year 1 Stone Age Museum

Come and visit the Year 1 Stone Age Museum on Wednesday 28th March at 2.45pm in the Rainbow Café. The children would love to share their learning in this topic with you.

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Year 2 SATs Meeting

We are offering Year 2 parents another opportunity to attend a meeting about Year 2 SATs on **Tuesday 27th March** 2018 at 9.05am in the School Hall. The meeting will outline the end of KS1 assessments that will take place during May 2018 and how parents can best support their child.

Year 2 Opening Morning

Come and join in the Year 2 classrooms for an open morning on **Thursday 29th March**. You are welcome to arrive from 8.30am until 9am, so that your child can share their learning in science and art with you. We will also play a clip of our carnival day in action. We hope you can make it!





4Life Martial Arts

Invitations have been given out to all the children enrolled on the Self Defence after school club this term. Parents are invited to come along and cheer on your child at the Demonstration and Presentation Ceremony on Thursday 29th March 2018, 3.20pm. Watch in awe as your child demonstrates their new skills and beam with pride when they're presented with their certificate.

Opal Project Update



The children have been having a wonderful time at lunchtime playing with the buggies and keyboards that you donated. The children would love to have some dolls, dressing up clothes and role play toys. If you have any to donate the trolleys will be outside the office next week.

We are always looking for new ways to develop the Opal project alongside the CPTT funding. If you have any connections with local businesses that could help to develop our outdoor play project further we would love to hear from you.

A huge thank you to the CPTT who have already helped to give children in each year group some amazing experiences this term which we would never have afforded without them!

Nut FREE School

We would like to remind everyone that -

We do not allow nuts of any kind in school

(this includes cashew nuts, walnuts, peanuts or peanut butter). At Ladysmith we also try to avoid too much sugar, for example sweets

and fizzy drinks. We also say no to glass bottles, thermos flasks or fizzy drink cans as they can be dangerous. If your child does not like school dinners please remember to pack a Healthy Lunchbox and NO nuts!



Outstanding Accounts

The end of term is fast approaching (March 29th) and we need to balance our books. Could everyone to clear all debts and drop payment into the office: **Nursery Fees and Nursery Meals;**

Cooking and Snack money (£5 per child per term Reception); Cooking Money (£3 per child per term YR1 and YR2).



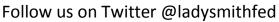
CPTT - Pop Up Café

A huge thank you to the busy bakers and parent volunteers from the Reception and Year 2 classes. Along with the fantastic Year 5 helpers and everyone who turned up to buy delicious cakes, we had a great Pop Up Cafe last Friday in the Infant's Café.

Look out for our next cafe in the summer term at Juniors with Year 6 & 3.

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Children, Parents, Teachers, Together (CPTT) Open Air Cinema Event

Please sign up if you are able to lend a hand at this exciting new event.

We will be hosting an open air cinema screening of **SING** on **Saturday 12th May 2018 from 6.30** onwards. Tickets will go on sale **16th April 2018** on a first come first served basis. Tickets cost £5 and under 3's are free. Volunteers to help support this event are much needed. Priority booking and a guarenteed ticket will be available to all volunteers so please sign up now!

Year 1 Hook Day – Monday 16th April (first day back after the Easter break)

The children in Year 1 will be trying to answer the big question - **How do animals adapt to their environment?** The children can come to school on that day dressed as a wild animal (*preferably not a pet*). We would also like the children to bring in an empty box, either the size of a shoe box

or smaller to make an animal environment. The boxes may be brought in before the Easter holidays or on the Hook Day.

Year 2 Hook Day - Friday 20th April

The exciting new topic in Year 2 is **Pirates and Explorers.** The children can come to school dressed as their favourite a pirate or explorer. The children will be making treasure maps and taking part in a pirate and animal mask workshop

We are grateful to the CPTT who have agreed to fund this pirate workshop which will be delivered by Captain Rocky Cliff.

Orthoptic Vision Screening for 4-5 year olds (Reception and Year 1 children)

At the age of 4 to 5 vision can be accurately tested using a subjective assessment, in an enjoyable format for children.

It is important that any vision problems are detected early so treatment can be undertaken and not interfere with their education. Treatment of most vision problems caused by a need for glasses (long sight, short sight or astigmatism), detected at this age will achieve a good result.

Your child will be seen by an eye professional who is trained and experienced at testing a child's vision.

What will the Examiner test for? They will check the visual acuity (eyesight) of either eye, with the main aim is to pick up reduced vision caused by a need for glasses. This may be in one eye, or both.

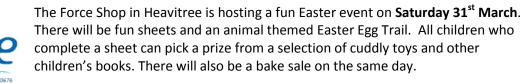
The test will be done during the school day on **April 27th or April 30th**. Your child will be taken out of class at a convenient time and returned after the test. The test will take 5-10 minutes and we aim to make it fun. Your child will be asked to match or name letters or pictures, so it is not a problem if they do not know the alphabet.

Any Reception and Year 1 parents who do not want this screening to be given to their child please remember to return the 'opt out' slip on your letter duly completed and signed.

Parklife Heavitree is a community group (and charitable company) focused on what goes on in Heavitree Pleasure Ground, Exeter.

Friday 30th March 2-4pm Easter Egg Hunt.

Everyone is welcome to join in. Come and join us for a special Easter egg hunt around the park. Fun for all the family. 50p per entry. Refreshments available to purchase from our coffee van. <u>facebook.com/parklifeheavitree</u>









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The Baby Room What's on this week?

Monday:

Starting next term Baby Reflexology -9.30 - 11.30 Post Natal Pilates – 1.30-2.30 Heavitree Sounds Choir 7.30 - 9.30 **Tuesday:** Pelvic Floor Recovery - 11-12 (please book online) Pregnancy Fitness - 6.30-7.30 (please book online) Pelvic Floor Recovery - 7.30-8.30 (please book online) Wednesday: Nappuccino - 9.30 - 2 **Thursday:** Thula Mama – 10-11 NCT Bumps and Babes - 1-2.30 Friday: *Starting next term* Little Bird Song 9.30-10.30 Nappuccino -12-2.30 www. thebabyroomexeter.wordpress.com Jen 07886626093 or Gill 07816655295



Music House for Children is proud to present

Little Birdsong music and movement classes! Every Friday in the Baby Room at Ladysmith Infant School £5 per child including coffee, chat and instrumental play from 9.15am. Classes start at 9.45am! **STARTS**: Friday 20th April 2018

Joyful musical play, dancing and instrumental exploration. Emma is an accomplished musician with over 20 years' experience nurturing young children's early development. She uses a wide range of instruments such as cornet, guitar, ukulele, drums amongst others. Exuberant, fun, and brilliant for parents too! Contact Emma on <u>emma@musichouseforchildren.com</u> for more info.



(Ladysmith Toddler Group Fundraiser)

After School, Tuesday & Thursday, outside Infants Office



All Cakes 50p!



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