

# Ladysmith Federation

## Junior School News

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2016

### BEAM house



Year 6 children had a fantastic time away at BEAM house before Easter. It's now time to start planning next year's trip! Year 5 children will have come home with details of next year's visit which is w/c 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017. Parents are invited to attend a meeting on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 6pm** to find out more about the trip and ask any questions you may have.

### Accelerated Reader

You are welcome to join us next Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 5pm in the hall to find out about Accelerated Reader. Children have enjoyed choosing books and completing quizzes; classes are beginning to get competitive to see who can read the most words! Well done to Bethany in year 5, who is the first person to reach 1,000,000 words read! 4KH are the leading class, having read nearly 3.5 million words!!



### Swimming



Year 4 have started their swimming lessons at St Luke's University Campus this week. They all really enjoyed their first lessons and the instructors were impressed with how hard they all tried and how well they listened to instructions.

### Lost property

Last term, we were left with a lot of unnamed lost property. Please ensure that everything is clearly named so that any lost property can be easily returned to your child.

### New lunches

This week, we have introduced split lunchtimes which has been a real success. Year 5 and 6 have their lunch break between 12 and 1pm and year 3 and 4 have their between 12.30pm and 1.30pm. The new school meals, now provided by Devon Norse, have gone down well with the children and staff. The children have also enjoyed being able to eat their packed lunches outside in the quad when the weather has been good. The new system means that children can eat together whether it's a hot meal or packed lunch.



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## Chance to Shine



Andy Bayliss from 'Chance to Shine' has started working with Year 5 to teach cricket skills. They will be working with Andy over the half term, culminating in a tournament against other local Primary Schools. Let's hope the sun keeps shining! Do remember to send all children with sunhats / sunglasses / plenty to drink in warm weather.



## Parent's Meetings

Thank you to all the parents who attended parent's meetings this week. If you were unable to attend for any reason, please contact your child's teacher to arrange a date to come in and talk about your child.

## Buildings Update

The start of work on the new build has now been scheduled for the week beginning the 9<sup>th</sup> May. This week is SATs week for Year 6 and we have worked out a timetable with the contractors that ensures the Year 6 will not be disturbed. Over the weekend prior to this, the contractors will have put up solid hoardings to separate the site so that it is safe.

The first stage will be to empty the Year 4 building ready for the start of demolition the following week. The contractors believe that we could be in our new building by next Easter! When the new build is finished and the old building is still standing, we will be holding a community event to allow people from the local area to view both schools and celebrate the history of the school. I will keep you updated with progress as we go. Below are a few photos of the school as it now stands. Throughout the build, we will be keeping a photo diary which I hope to make into a book to sit in reception of the new building.



## Mobile phones

Just a reminder that children must drop their mobile phones into the box in the office when they arrive in the morning. Phones can then be collected at the end of the day.

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