

Junior School News

Friday 5th May 2017

FEDERATION NEWS

Just a reminder that you are invited to come along to the NSPCC Internet Safety workshop at Ladysmith Junior School hall on Monday 8th May at 2pm. You can just turn up; there's no need to book a place.

School Council

The School Council met with Mr Broad and discussed ideas collected from their classes about ways in which we can develop playtimes and lunchtimes. Mr Broad will work with Mr Wilkinson and Mr Hawkins to look at which ideas can be put in place. It might be beyond even Mr Hawkins abilities to create a swimming pool!

Amongst many others, ideas included:

Building blocks to play with, a scooter track, a floor trampoline, more skipping ropes, a slide on one of the banks, a shaded area, a list of bugs / mini-beasts for people to do a bug hunt, a quiet reading space, more den building materials and an archaeology area.

Watch this space to see which ideas become a reality!

Year 4 Tag Rugby

10 names were pulled from 'a hat' in assembly yesterday and the following children are off to play a game of Tag Rugby during half-time at the Aviva Premiership final at Twickenham on Saturday 27th May 2017.

Congratulation to: Leila, Michal, Ollie, Danny, Nicholas, Leah, Eve, Nina, Rosa and Stanley.

Spinners!

The children have been told in assembly that spinners are now not to be used in classrooms as they have become a distraction in lessons. Children can still use them at lunch and break if they wish but any found during lessons will be confiscated until the end of the day.



SATs

During next week, year 6 children will be taking their SAT tests in the mornings. Some children will be coming to school earlier than usual to have breakfast with Mrs Stoneman and Mrs Callaway. Some music lessons have had to be postponed but you should have been notified if this is the case. There will also be no Funfit sessions during next week.

Ambition Adventure Achievement

Ambition

Bryn showed great Ambition by challenging himself to create a 'moss garden' which he did using a book from his topic learning in class.



Adventure

Liya in year 3 spoke with real confidence in assembly this week about her trip to Uganda earlier this year. Read more about her adventures below!

Achievement

Congratulations to Eloise, Clia and Sam who created the winning designs for the Wheelie Trail at the Devon County Show. The children will make the wheel barrow and it will be placed at the Farmwise Stop during the Devon County Show.

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Liya's trip to Uganda



Liya led an assembly on Wednesday with her mum to talk about the time she spent in Uganda earlier this year. She was travelling with her mum who is working with schools around Uganda to improve access to education for some of the staggering 61 million primary aged children who do not go to school. During the visit, Liya met the Secretary for Education! Here are a few extracts from the diary she kept during the trip:

'The next day it was International Women's Day and everyone was off work, it was a holiday for one day. We went on a boda boda and had a look round Kampala.

The boda bodas are really fun but you need to wear a helmet.

My mummy did a work shop on Thursday and she had a microphone and stood in front of government people. She presented her ideas in a confident voice and she told them about the things that she found out about Ugandan schools. I helped my mummy by quickly handing out her business cards.

We saw a lot of animals including lions, elephants and giraffes. We also saw baboons and one stole a lady's lunch! In the afternoon, we went on a boat ride to a waterfall on the Nile and we saw lots of hippos and crocodiles.'



'On Monday I went to a Ugandan school and I learnt



converting Roman numerals to Arabic numerals and that was my maths lesson. After that I did an English lesson after we had our break like usual. It was very hot but I still had a lot of fun.'



It sounded like an incredible adventure and an experience she won't ever forget. It was great to see the room which is to become their school library. Liya's mum is sending over 8 boxes of books from Ladysmith Junior School which we no longer needed. Thanks again to Liya and her mum for sharing their adventures with us.

Children, Parents, Teachers, Together



Our first CPTT meeting for the whole federation is on **Wednesday 10th May** at 6pm in the Infant School hall. This is for all parent, children and teacher representatives.

Dates for the diary:

- 8th May – SATs week
- 8th May – NSPCC Internet Safety Workshop at 2pm in the hall
- 10th May – CPTT meeting at the Infant School hall at 6pm.
- 12th May – 5IE family assembly – 9am in the hall
- 18th May – Year 4 sleeping with the sharks
- 18th May – Year 5 Devon County Show trip
- 19th May - 3LD family assembly – 9am in the hall
- 9th June – 6NM family assembly – 9am in the hall
- 16th June - 6JE family assembly – 9am in the hall
- 23rd June – 4RC family assembly – 9am in the hall
- 30th June – 6MC family assembly – 9am in the hall

Community News

We have emailed out a flyer advertising a day out at Wardour Garrison which looks interesting.

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