

Ladysmith Federation

Junior School News

Friday 18th September 2020

Ambition

Rushton Dog Rescue

Congratulations to Brody in year 6 who has raised an impressive £155 for Rushton Dog Rescue.

Brody raised the money by organising a raffle to win one of his paintings.

Great 'Ambition' Brody!



Adventure

We are sad to say that Laura Miles, our wonderful front desk administrator will be leaving us on 2nd October. Laura has been with us for 4 years and her smiley face on the front desk will be missed by staff, children and parents.

I am sure you will join us in saying a huge thank you and in wishing her well for the future.

Achievement

Well done to our stars of the week!

Year 3:

Sam, Laylah and Will

Year 4:

Amelie, Farah and Sylvia

Year 5:

Aaron, Keylea, Tommy and Scarlett

Year 6:

Oliver, Isaac, Lily and Leila

Federation News

Chair of Governors

Our Governing Body met this week for the first time in this academic year. Amy Grashoff and Karen Bates have begun a term as joint Chairs of the Governing body. We have a skilled and committed team of Governors who have responsibility across the two schools of the Federation. The core functions of the Governing Body are to:

Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction; Hold the Headteacher(s) to account for the educational performance of the schools and its pupils, and the performance management of staff; and Oversee the financial performance of the schools and make sure money is well spent.

You can find out more about the Governors on our school website.

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Mr Hawkins has been busy once again! In his spare time (!) he has created this wonderful story-telling chair. I wonder if the children will spot it around the school grounds next week!



Free School Meals Eligibility Checker

Do you think you might be entitled to Free School Meals?

There is now a way of checking online and it's really straightforward.

If your child is eligible, they will be able to have free hot lunches, free school uniform, half price clubs and trips and they may be entitled to additional support at school.

Just click on the link below and follow the instructions:

<https://pps.lqfl.org.uk>

- Click on 'check eligibility'
 - Create new account – Proceed
 - Select a local authority – Devon
 - Scroll to Ladysmith Junior School
 - Accept privacy notice
- Enter Name, DOB and National Insurance number.

PE Kit

Apologies for the delay in confirmation on what PE kit the children will need. From this coming Monday, on the days your child has PE, they should wear their PE kit to school and stay in this all day. This should be a plain white t-shirt / polo shirt or a maroon polo shirt, a school jumper / cardigan and either dark coloured shorts and / or dark coloured 'jogging bottoms'. PE kit needs to be as plain as possible and children will not be allowed to wear branded football kits etc. They will need to wear trainers but these can be any colour.



Time for YOU

A small, supportive Zoom group for Mums of children with additional needs



Take time to re-fuel & share with other Mums who 'get it'

Free 12 week Zoom group
for Mums in Devon & Cornwall
Starts Wed 23rd Sept 9:30-11:30am



To find out more <https://bit.ly/32d4gml> click Reserve a Spot
or email jo@mums4achange.org



Time for YOU - 12-week supportive Zoom groups for Mums of Children with Additional Needs starting on Wed 23rd and Fri 25th (2 groups, see details above). To register interest go to: <https://bit.ly/32d4gml> (Wednesday), or:

<https://bit.ly/2Eszjlm> (Friday). Alternatively you can email: jo@mums4achange.org



Parent Carer Forum Devon has been asked to share an open letter from Dawn Stabb (Head of Education and Learning) with parents and carers across Devon. The letter explains Phase 1 of the SEND Transformation. The Forum look forward to their members being involved in the next phases of the Transformation. Read the letter and the SEND Transformation Phase 1 Report here: <https://parentcarerforumdevon.org/2020/09/12/send-transformation-at-devon-county-council/>

Dates for the diary:

15.10.20—Individual school photographs

23.10.20—Last day of the first half term

26th—30th October—Half Term Break

2.11.20—First day of second half term

18.12.20—Last day of autumn term



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