

# Ladysmith Federation

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2017

## Infant and Nursery Newsletter

### Welcome Back

Happy New Year to everyone - We hope you all enjoyed the holidays. It's great to see the children back looking so happy and enthusiastic.

Thank you for your generous donations at the end of the Christmas performances.

A wonderful **£432.52** was raised for school funds. This will be used to buy some much needed replacement books for the school library.



### Severe Weather

We are not expecting snow but just in case...

During the severe weather conditions please follow the guidelines listed below.

#### How to check if the school is open:

- Check the school's website and twitter account
- Check the school closures page on the Devon County Council website

[www.devonschoolclosures.info](http://www.devonschoolclosures.info)

- Listen to announcements on local radio BBC Radio Devon or HeartFM
- Look out for signs at the school gate
- Check the email/text messaging service from the school
- Telephone the school (01392 271596) after 8.15am

Children will need a coat and gloves and also a change of shoes, in the event of snow on site.



### Food Technology

A new term starts, therefore, we ask for a donation to contribute towards the cost of cooking ingredients as set out below.

**Reception:** £5 per term please, to cover the cost of their Friday snack (toast and preserves) and cooking ingredients.

**Year 1 and Year 2:** £3 per term please, to cover the cost of cooking ingredients.

### NHS Infection Control

We have been informed by the **NHS Infection Control in Schools** that if a child is ill with vomiting or diarrhoea they should **not** return to school until **48 hours** after the last episode.



### Height and Weight Checks

Reception children will be participating in a weight and measurement check on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2017 (unless you have sent in an "opted out" slip).

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## NHS Oral Health Survey

A self-explanatory letter, together with a Consent Form, went out last term to a selected number of children attending Ladysmith Infant and Nursery School in Reception and Year 1. If you have received a letter please complete the Consent Form and return it to the school office. The amended date for the Dentist to come to school to see the children whose consent forms have been returned duly completed is **20<sup>th</sup> January 2017**.



## Parent Questionnaire

If you haven't already completed your questionnaire there is still time to do it and bring it into school. We really do value your suggestions, comments and observations.

## Curriculum Letters

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 Curriculum letters have gone out today outlining the activities for the Spring Term. Ladysmith believe that working together at home is a vital ingredient in helping the children make the most of their skills, knowledge and understanding outside of the classroom.

## Premier Sport & Performing Arts Clubs

### Spring Term 2017 (*All Clubs payable in advance*)



Following a successful pilot programme at the Infant school site, Fit-Triton courses will be continuing in the new school year. The course is designed to be accessible for all ability levels with the convenience of being held at the school grounds. What an easy way to kick start those new years resolutions!

**Fit-Triton Course** - Starting 16<sup>th</sup> January - Monday Mornings - Infant School Canteen 9:10am - 10am  
Cost: £4 per session

For the children, the following courses will run:

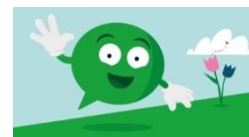
- After School - **Street Dance** - Starting Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – 11 sessions (Cost £48)
- After School **Archery** - Starting Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January – 11 sessions (Cost £44)
- After School **Gymnastics** – Starting Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January – 11 sessions (Cost £47.50)

For further details please see our website [premiertransition.co.uk](http://premiertransition.co.uk) Book online [premiersport.org](http://premiersport.org) or  
Contact us: Becki White ([rwhite@premier-education.com](mailto:rwhite@premier-education.com))

## Speak out Stay safe | NSPCC [www.nspcc.org.uk](http://www.nspcc.org.uk)

We will be having a visit from "Buddy" at the NSPCC. Buddy will join in with an assembly on keeping safe and this will include the underwear rule. All the children will join in with "Buddy's Big Workout" in the following week. If you'd like to know more visit:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/services-and-resources/working-with-schools/speak-out-stay-safe-service/>



## REMINDER – TIME IS RUNNING OUT!


### Application for Infant/ Primary School – September 2017

If your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2012 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013 (inclusive) you need to be thinking about applying for school. The application process for primary and junior places will close on 15 January 2017.

Please make sure you complete an Admission Form online. **Admissions to schools are not automatic** – every place has to be applied for regardless of what school you would prefer.

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-for-a-school-place/apply-for-a-primary-school-place> Applications made after 15<sup>th</sup> January 2017 will be classed as late and may lead to disappointment due to all the places being filled.

Any queries should be directed to Devon County Council Admissions on 0345 155 1019.

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