Ladysmith Federation

Junior School News

Friday 13th October 2017

FEDERATION NEWS

CPTT Update

The excitement is mounting for Fireworks Night! This week you have probably seen our CPTT parent and/or teacher reps out in the playground looking for helpers to prepare for and run the event. If you missed them or you felt a bit shy (!) then please think carefully about how you could chip in - if we all work together then we can all enjoy the night together and it'll be even better than last year! Do drop us an email at

cptt@ladysmithfederation.net or send back the pink or yellow CPTT volunteering form from last week (spares in office). Help is particularly needed for the prep and running of the hot dog stall, during the day or evening. It's a really great way of getting involved in the school community. Many thanks!



Exeter Food Action

On **Thursday 19th October**, we will be holding a Harvest Festival assembly. We have invited children to bring in a

donation of food which Charles, who works for Exeter Food Action, will collect to be used by the charity. Almost any food can be accepted, including dry packets of food, tins and fresh fruit and vegetables, as long as they are within the expiry date.

If you are able to donate some food, please send it in with your child on Thursday 19th October and they can bring this to the hall before assembly.

Open Afternoon

We hope that you can make it to our first half termly open afternoon next Wednesday 18th October. This is another opportunity to pop into your child's class, look at their work and chat informally with their teacher. This is a great way to keep up-to-date with your child's progress and to feel confident in how you might be able to support them at home.

Ambition Adventure Achievement

Ambition

We have the ambition to improve the air quality around our school. Read below for details of how to enter our poster competition to encourage people to turn off their engines around school.

Adventure

Congratulations to all 114 children who have entered the Killerton Run on Thursday 2nd November. Everyone who has applied has got a place. Further details will follow next week from Mrs Walsh.

Achievement

We celebrated the achievements of Jasmine and Chloe for a zombie race they took part in last week! Luke and Logan each received a bronze scout award – the highest award possible for a beaver and we celebrated Ella's Stage 6 swimming certificate.







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Enrichment Mornings

Next week, each class will be having their half termly 'enrichment morning' led by one of our wonderful Higher Level Teaching Assistants (HLTAs). They will take part in an 'Arrow Tag' session with Premier Sports and will produce some art work inspired by autumn.

School Photographs



Individual child school photos will be taken on Thursday 19th October. Sibling photos can be taken after school from 3.30pm in the studio upstairs. If you would like a photograph with siblings, please go to the studio straight after school.

Fraser Portraits have asked that no green hair accessories, including the big JoJo bows with green on them to be worn, as it interferes with the colour pigments in the photographs.

Year 5 Mayan Writing

Year 5 children have used printing to show their names in Mayan writing. They designed their prints and then used polystyrene sheets and printing ink to create their names. These will be coming home next week after our open afternoon.

Year 4 Dentist Visit



Last Friday, two dentists came to visit children in year 4.

First, we played a game - there were two boxes and two sets of cards. They were good foods and foods that were bad for our teeth and a box for each. Two helpers helped to put the cards in the correct boxes. The whole class had to vote on which foods went in which box.

We learnt that we should floss at least once a day and brush two times a day for two

minutes. In the evening when we brush, we shouldn't eat anything after that. We should also brush 30 minutes after we've had our breakfast

and 30 minutes after our evening meal because otherwise, the acid from the food will stop the toothpaste from working. If we also use mouthwash, this should be at least 30 minutes after we brush. We were surprised to learn that raisins, oranges and juices are bad for our teeth but carrots and apples are good because they are crunchy and can dislodge any food stuck between our teeth. By Alex W



Accelerated Reader



Congratulations to Gabriela, Fred and Bethan who are our first Accelerated 'millionaire' readers! They have each read in excess of 1,000,000 words so far this year! Well done also to Chloe R, Trudy C, Olivia R, Isabella H-L, Thomas M, Jasmine A, Louie L and Jack N have read over 500,000 words!

Children should be reading their accelerated reader book at least twice a week at home and quizzes are now available at home at: https://ukhosted67.renlearn.co.uk/2236322/



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Year 3 Stonehenge Models

Year 3 spent Thursday morning creating their own Stonehenge models from salt dough. The models look fantastic and they are planning to paint them when they are dry. In the afternoon, they produced some great writing, creating detailed instructions on how they were made.

Poster Competition



We have asked the children to create a poster to encourage people to turn off their engines whilst they are waiting in their cars. This is to improve the air

quality around school for children and the local community.

The winning posters will be made into acrylic posters and displayed outside school.

Entry is optional; any posters should be given into the school office by the end next week. We have encouraged the children to use bold colours and posters need to be on A4 paper.



Occasionally, we may wish to show the children excerpts from PG films as part of topic or English. If you would prefer your child not watch any PG films, please let your child's teacher know.

Dates for the diary:

18th October – Half termly open evening – 3.30pm – 5pm

19th October - Individual school photographs

Sibling photographs after school

20th October - Last day of half term

2nd November – Killerton Run

3rd November – Fireworks night

10th November – Year 6 attending Remembrance Service

22nd November – Theatre Alibi @ 7pm – details to follow

15th December – Last day of term

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