

Ladysmith Federation

Infant and Nursery Newsletter



Friday 12th June 2020



Ambition

Black Lives Matter

Following the death of George Floyd and the recent global protests we are working together as a staff to respond appropriately. We are considering many ideas, one of which involves an ongoing review of our school curriculum. We hope to also work together with other local schools as part of a city wide response. If you have any thoughts that you would like to share with us we would welcome your feedback. Please contact either Mrs Brown or Mrs Collinge via infant.admin@ladysmithfederation.net

Adventure



Devon Wildlife Trust

This week the theme of the CHALLENGE is all about **Bees and Butterflies**.

4-7 year olds create a picture of a bee or butterfly.

To participate all you have to do is take a picture of your work, with the student's first name, age and school and send it to Emily from the education team by the deadline of **Sunday 14th June** eba-con@devonwildlifetrust.org

Achievement

It has been wonderful to hear about so many classes who have been challenging themselves with their doodle maths at home. We have so many children who are now in the Green Zone! Keep up the AMAZING work.



Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we welcomed back to school some more of our Nursery and Reception children. For any children who have not yet returned we are all still thinking of you at Ladysmith and have been enjoying finding out what you have been doing at home over the last few weeks. We miss you all and can't wait to see you again soon!



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Important Information for Parents of children returning to school

We hope that all the information we have been sending out to parents and the videos have helped to prepare the children for their return to school. In case you missed it here are some important reminders to help keep all our families and staff safe and well.

- ◆ Water bottles need to be named
- ◆ Bring your own fruit snack
- ◆ Home packed lunches need to include your own cutlery
- ◆ Wash clothes at the end of each day



- ◆ Limit the number of people entering the school (one adult dropping off and picking up if possible)



Fun things to do for children

30 Days Wild

Can you do something wild everyday in June? This June, join thousands of people across Devon taking part in our annual nature challenge, 30 Days Wild! We want you to do one wild thing a day throughout the whole month: for your health, wellbeing and for the planet. That's 30 simple, fun, and exciting Random Acts of Wildness.

Years one and two are going to be using 30 Days Wild in their learning drops each week throughout June.

If you would like to build upon this and have a go at more of the activities then download your free activity pack by using the link below. The activities on Seesaw will develop and extend the 30 Day Wild cards further so you don't need to worry if you have already done them.

Have fun and get wild! <https://action.wildlifetrusts.org/page/57739/petition/1>



Shared Stories

World famous author Oliver Jeffers offers daily story times, where he reads one of his stories and tells you about how he came about writing it.

Follow the link below to visit his daily story time on the World of Oliver Jeffers website.



<https://www.oliverjeffers.com/books#/abookaday/>

For the Love of Reading Book Recommendation of the Week Rumble in the Jungle

Enjoy the sights and sounds of the jungle with this reading of Rumble in the Jungle.



<https://www.booktrust.org.uk/books-and-reading/have-some-fun/storybooks-and-games/rumble-in-the-jungle/>


Information and Advice for Parents

Staying in Touch

- Our website—<http://www.ladysmithfederation.net/web> (Parent letters and remote learning)
- For admin and other enquiries: infant.admin@ladysmithfederation.net
- Tapestry (Nursery and Reception) and Seesaw (Year One and Two)
- Our Learning support email addresses: receptionsupport@ladysmithfederation.net year1support@ladysmithfederation.net year2support@ladysmithfederation.net

Don't forget to check Parent Letters on the website to find the most up to date information: http://www.ladysmithfederation.net/web/recent_school_letters/281945 and our Remote Learning section where there is further information on learning support.

Staying Healthy and Happy




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TALKWORKS.dpt.nhs.uk

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Food Bank

St Mathews Church in Newtown is delivering weekly parcels for those in need of food and toiletries. This is available to people living in the Exeter area.

<https://www.stmattsexeter.org/lyn>



Financial Support

If you think that you might be entitled to benefits please follow the link below to the Government online calculator <https://www.betteroffcalculator.co.uk/#/calculator/new/step1>

FREE SCHOOL MEALS: All those in receipt of Free School Meals will receive a voucher. If you think you qualify you can apply for the Pupil Premium Grant, to receive Free School Meals. Applications need to be made via the Devon Citizens Portal - on the DCC website : <https://www.devon.gov.uk/supportforschools/services-and-contacts/free-school-meals>



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Upcoming online information sessions:

- Tuesday 9th June
- Tuesday 16th June
- Thursday 25th June
- Tuesday 30th June
- More details on our website

For more information, please contact us:

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Community Links CIC

We are a telephone support service for people struggling with mental health, domestic abuse, challenging SEND behaviour or wellbeing. We recognise that everyone's situation is different and that many things impact a person's ability to cope with the fast pace of change that has been imposed upon us. You do not have to struggle alone. Please use the links below

familysupport@communitylinks-sw.co.uk or call on 07808 529034



Online Safety Family Video Games Database

- 458 games hand-picked and tested with families over long periods of time
- Games added and updated through continued testing with families
- Every game is presented for parents and carers to find and make an informed choice of games for children, teenagers and adults <https://www.taminggaming.com/allgames>

For more guidance on:

- Healthy gaming
- Family settings
- Setting ground rules

<https://www.askaboutgames.com/>