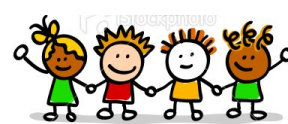


Ladysmith Federation

Infant and Nursery Newsletter



3rd May 2019



Ambition

One of the grants 'Ladysmith Community Action Team' has received this term is to help kick-start new cooking & baking groups at the schools, as well as sustain the Toddler Group Cooking Club. We are also very grateful to Devon County Council and Devon Community Foundation for their support.



Adventure



Staff will be getting their paint brushes out this Friday evening to brighten up the sheds in the playground as part of our OPAL project. A big thank you to **Bradford's** who kindly donated £170 towards paint.



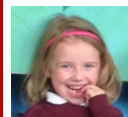
Achievement



Well done to our stars of the day and our Team Player Penguins!



Scarlett donated her lovely long hair to charity (Little Princess Trust) - well done Scarlett!



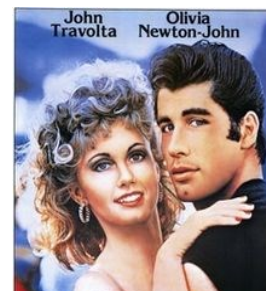
Federation News

Community Film Festival

[Click here to book your tickets now!](#)



Not one but two fabulous films: 'Mary Poppins Returns' and 'Grease'. Please see below and on the separate flyer for more details.



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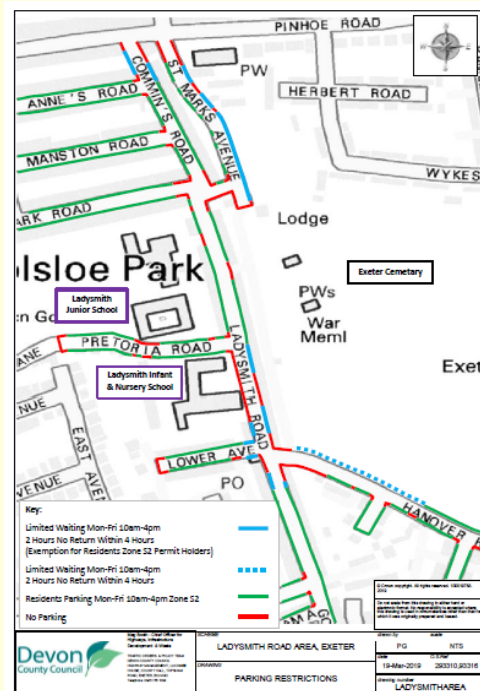


ROAD SAFETY

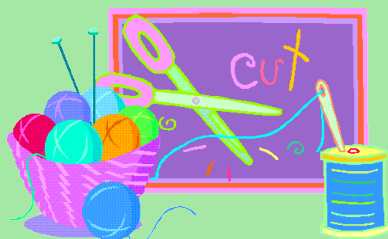
We have been seeking support on improving the safety of the roads around our school. A road safety officer has been working with our local councillor, the police and the council and the following advice has been given so that all our children and families get to and from school safely:

1. Park away from the main entrances of the school and not to stop on double yellow lines at all.
2. Avoid reversing into Ladysmith Road from the side roads as it is at the entrances to these roads that children tend to cross.

The enforcement officers have been visiting the roads around the school and have been giving out parking tickets, so we have attached a map to help you locate parking spaces in the immediate vicinity. If you are able to, using public transport, walking and cycling also benefit health levels and the environment.



Craft Club



The next session of Craft club starts again on **15th May**.

We are pleased to now open the club up to children in reception classes.

The club will run on Wednesdays straight after school up until 26th June (excluding half term week 29th May).

The cost is **£24**

Pick up time is **4:30pm**

An invitation has been sent out via Parentmail.

There are a limited number of places available, which will be allocated when payment has been made.



Our **garden party** will be held on Friday 24th May 2.00pm—3:30pm for Year 1 and 2. Gates will be open from 2.00pm at the Pretoria Road entrance.

Year 1 will sing at 2:15pm and Year 2 at 2:30pm.

We kindly ask for cakes to be donated on the day to sell in the café. The proceeds will contribute towards learning resources.

You will be able to sign out your child and then enjoy the crafts and garden café with them.



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Outdoor Play and Learning

Did you know that our children spend 1.4 years of their primary School lives on the playground?



Here at Ladysmith we are committed to making the most out of the children's time on the playground. Below is an extract from our Play Policy highlighting some of the many benefits that positive play has for our children.

"Better play means happier children. Happier children means fewer behaviour problems, a more positive attitude to school, more effective lessons, core skills development, less staff time spent resolving unnecessary problems, fewer accidents and happier staff too."

We are excited to announce that our Forest School area is now going to be open at lunch times every day, for both Year 1 and 2 children. Using Forest School, alongside both of our big playgrounds, means that there will be lots more space for play at Ladysmith during the lunch break.

Big Wild Sleep out at Aylesbeare

Ladysmith Federation CPTT 4th Big Wild Sleep Out

Saturday 6th July 5pm - Sunday 7th 11am

Please see separate flyer below for more information



Dates for the Diary

Community Film Festival

18th May 2019

Year One and Two Garden Party

Friday 24th May 2019

Sports Day

Wednesday 26th June 2019

Reception and Year One am, Year Two pm

Year One and Two Parents Evenings

1st and 3rd July 2019

Transition Day

Thursday 4th July 2019

Year One "Sing for Joy" Event

Friday 5th July 2019—pm

University Great Hall

Big Wild Sleep Out

Saturday 6th July - Sunday 7th July

Nursery Garden Party

Wednesday 10th July 2019

Reception Garden Party

Thursday 11th July 2019

Year Two Leavers Performance

Tuesday 16th July 2019 (pm)

Year Two Leavers Performance

Wednesday 17th July (am)

Last Day of Term

Friday 19th July 2019

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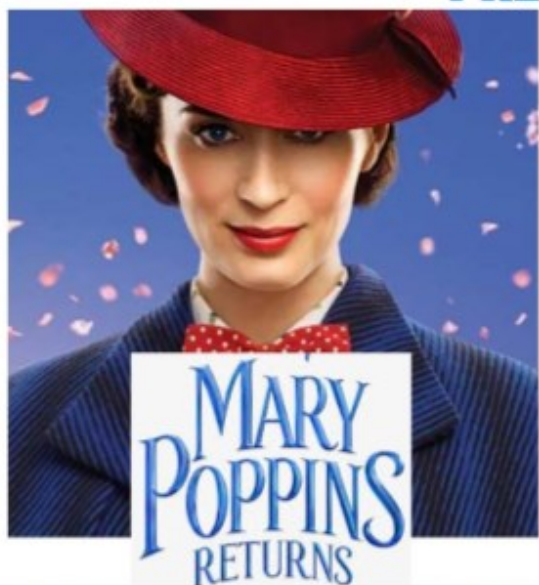
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COMMUNITY FILM FESTIVAL

PRESENTS



SATURDAY 18TH MAY

Our Sponsor



The Line Up

12.30pm

Gates Open

2.30pm

Mary Poppins Returns

7.30pm

Grease

Tickets

For one film:

£5 adults, £3.50 children

Day pass for both films:

£7.50 adults, £5 children

A day of outdoor cinema and family fun at our new community event!



Not one but two fabulous films

The magical Mary Poppins Returns, a treat for all the family. And retro classic Grease, perfect for a singalong!



Fun for all the family

Bring some chairs and blankets, grab a good spot and enjoy our all day entertainment, including a BBQ, bar, bouncy castle, food & snack stalls, and more...



Don't miss out - book your tickets now!

Book online at:

www.tinyurl.com/lrfilmfestival

Ladysmith Federation





Ladysmith Federation CPTT Big Wild Sleep Out Saturday 6th July 2019

RSPB Aylesbeare Common

The RSPB would like to invite you to spend a night under the stars at the beautiful RSPB Aylesbeare reserve. Set up your tent in a private area of the reserve, head out onto the reserve in the evening to track down nocturnal wildlife, enjoy marshmallows over our campfire and have your evening meal and breakfast cooked for you over the fire.

What makes the Big Wild Sleep Out Unique?

- Exclusive access to some beautiful private areas of the RSPB Aylesbeare- **camping is not usually allowed on Aylesbeare or anywhere on the Pebblebed Heaths*** in order to protect the important wildlife there - so this is a unique opportunity to spend a night out in the wild. (* We are allowed to hold a limited number of BWSO events each year at Aylesbeare Common by kind permission of Clinton Devon Estates.)
- This event contributes to looking after this special place, it also raises funds for your school (RSPB will make a £100 donation to Ladysmith Federation CPTT)
- Get out amongst nature, discovering wildlife with friends and families

What is it like?

<http://vimeo.com/72823795> This is a video of a public RSPB Big Wild Sleep Out at Arne in Dorset in 2013.

The feedback from Ladysmith's previous Sleep Outs have been hugely positive!

"We heard and saw nightjars and bats, we found a glow worm, beetles, hunting spiders, a nest of wood ants and a whole lot more. And we enjoyed a fire, marshmallows, even a pineapple upside-down cake cooked in the coals! It was super fun and it didn't even rain!!!"

"I thought the event was fantastic. The staff and volunteers were fun, friendly and a pleasure to be with. They really know their stuff and worked hard to make it great."

How does it work?

- The event costs adults £25, children £17.50 – price includes dinner, breakfast and guided activities. Children will also receive a free Big Wild Sleep Out badge as a trophy from their adventures
- Head out to RSPB Aylesbeare Common on Saturday 6th July for 5pm with your tent and sleeping bag and enjoy being on the reserve for the evening, night and following morning with the RSPB team there to guide activities and provide a delicious dinner and breakfast. There is a walk from the car parking to the camping area. We expect to be finished by 11am on the Sunday.
- If you would like to join in, please complete a booking form by Friday 24th May, 5pm at the latest. Don't wait! Our capacity is limited to 50 participants, so places will be filled on a first come, first served basis. All bookings and payment will need to be confirmed by Monday 3rd June

Need more information?

If you would like to find out more about the event before you book, please contact the RSPB event team (aylesbeare.common@rspb.org.uk) or Emma Whittingham (cptt@ladysmithfederation.net)



Big Wild Sleep Out

at RSPB Aylesbeare



Ladysmith Federation CPTT Big Wild Sleep Out

Saturday 6th July 5pm – Sunday 7th 11am

RSPB invites Ladysmith Federation to join us for
Big Wild Sleep Out 2019!

A unique opportunity for families to spend a night in the wild. Bring your tent and sleeping bag and enjoy an evening under the stars at Aylesbeare where **camping is not normally allowed***!

Last year we heard and saw nightjars and bats, discovered glow worms, beetles, hunting spiders, a nest of wood ants and a whole lot more. Not to mention the cosy campfire, marshmallows, even a pineapple upside-down cake cooked in the coals!

Adults £25, Children £17.50

Price includes dinner, breakfast, guided activities and kids BWSO badge

All booking forms with exact payment should be returned to **Infant School Office** by 5pm, **Friday 24th May**

Our capacity is limited to 50 attendees, so places will be offered on a first come, first served basis.

For further information – contact RSPB event team at aylesbeare.common@rspb.org.uk or **Emma Whittingham** at cptt@ladysmithfederation.net

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