

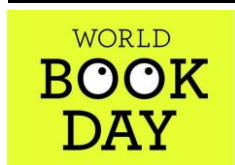
Junior School News

Friday 24th February 2017

FEDERATION NEWS

Don't forget about World Book Day next Friday! We'd love the children to come to school dressed as a character from a book. Throughout the day, they will be taking part in book related activities and challenges and will be buddying up with a class from the Infant School to share a book. If possible, we'd love them to bring in their favourite book from home to share with the younger children.

World Book Day



In addition to the above, there will be a book swap on World Book Day. Children are invited to bring in any books they no longer want and swap them for others. Books to be swapped need to be taken to just outside the main entrance and swapped for a token. These tokens can then be swapped for a different book after school in the hall.

YouTube for Kids

It is very easy to access inappropriate content whilst viewing YouTube. Consider downloading and installing [YouTube for Kids](#), it gives your family an easy way to watch favourite programmes and explore. It's free, simple to use and full of family-friendly videos.

Another very useful resource for parents is a video from Commonsense Media - [5 Ways to make YouTube Safer for Kids](#)

Children with Additional Needs

Devon's Local Offer for SEND provides clear, up-to-date information on the services and support for children and young people with special educational needs. The link can be found on our website under learning – SEND information.

5NW Class Assembly

Well done to 5NW for a fantastic assembly about the Mayans. They did an amazing job of remembering their rap and the teams made some... 'interesting' hot chocolate recipes for the judging panel!

Ambition Adventure Achievement

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One of our vision statements promotes an 'active and healthy lifestyle'. Year 4 have embarked on a project with the Exeter Chiefs called 'tackling numbers' where the children are learning to play Tag Rugby and learn about maths! More details are below.

Adventure

In assembly, Mr Wilkinson spoke to the children about 'adventure through play'. They explored ways in which we might be able to improve our playtimes when we move to the new school building by improving opportunities for play. The children have been invited to submit ideas to their school council representative.

Achievement

We have been trying really hard in maths lessons to not only show our answers, but to explain how we found the answer and how we know it's right! It was great to see so many children's names put in the 'Ambition Adventure Achievement' book for their hard work in explaining mathematical ideas.

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Exeter Chiefs - Tackling Numbers



Exeter Chiefs coaches have started working with year 4 on a programme called 'Tackling Numbers'.

Aviva Tackling Numbers is an innovative and engaging programme for Key Stage 2 children, which makes learning about numbers fun, exciting and rewarding.

The children have really enjoyed the programme so far:

Today, Aaron, an Exeter Chiefs coach came in. He is very nice and helpful. He taught us a game called 'Cat and Mouse'. The cats have no tags on but the mice will have two tags on them. The cats start at one end and the mice at the other. The cats have to try and catch all the tags off the mice. – Louie

After rugby we did some rugby maths involving their gift shop and the rugby league table. It was a bit complicated, although we all found it fun. The hardest bit of the maths was the losing bonus point. We also did a quiz which was a really fun activity because we had to remember all the information in the league table. – Stanley and Alex

Day of the Dead (Spanish: Día de Muertos)



Year 5 enjoyed their 'Day of the Dead' day today as part of their Mayan topic work. This is a Mexican holiday celebrated throughout Mexico. It focuses on gatherings of family and friends to pray for and remember friends and family members who have died.

The children spent the day doing a range of activities including art and

learning simple Spanish phrases. They looked fantastic (and quite scary!) in fancy dress and face paints.

BEAM House – Year 6 residential

Final details have now been sent out including a kit list. There is also a medical letter which asks if any medication may be needed for your child during their time away. These need to be returned by next Friday 3rd March.

Dates for the diary:

3rd March – World Book Day

3rd March – 4RM family assembly – 9am in the hall

10th March – 4KH family assembly – 9am in the hall

13th March – Year 3 Roman Roadshow

13th – 17th March – Year 6 residential trip to BEAM house.

13th – 17th March – Year 6 activity week

18th March – School open morning for ex-pupils of Ladysmith – details to follow

24th March – Comic Relief Day – details to follow

24th March – 5AS family assembly – 9am in the hall

31st March – Last day of term – last day in our old building!

18th April – 1st day of summer term – first day in our new building!!

During their time away, we will be tweeting pictures and updates. If you would like to see these, please follow us @ladysmithfed. Tweets will also appear on the school web-site.

If you have any questions, please do come and see your child's teacher or Mr Broad.

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