

# Ladysmith Federation

## Junior School News

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017

### FEDERATION NEWS



#### Pop-up Café

There is a chance for a great start to the weekend with some festive fun, a drink and slice of delicious cake at our Pop-up café in the Infant School Canteen after school TODAY! Enjoy an after school treat and pop in to our pop-up Café and in the process help us to raise much needed funds for our GROW and OPAL projects.

#### Ladysmith GROW Project



You may have noticed some blue paint on the grass towards the bottom entrance to school... the project is beginning to take shape and we are really looking forward to seeing it develop. We

would like to thank all volunteers who have already helped out and we would also like to encourage new volunteers...

The funding will be used on materials needed for the project but does not fund any labour... we really need people to help us to move the project forward by committing to help out, even if only for a few hours. If you are able to commit to help, please contact Catherine, either via the school office or through the GROW facebook page which can be found by searching 'Ladysmith GROW'.

Whilst we have received the grant, as part of the application, we committed to raise £1000 ourselves. There is a collection pot in reception and each £5 donation means we can fill in 1 more spot on our fundraising board by the bike shelter.

Keep an eye out for an exciting arrival next week... Richard, Nick's dad has very kindly been hard at work finding resources for the project. He has already secured 11 and a half tonnes of loose stone at a heavily discounted price which will help with the upkeep of the running track along with other projects. The stone was kindly provided by Harleyford Aggregates.



#### Kacey

As many of you will know, Kacey in year 3 is unwell and going through cancer treatment. She has been in to see the children in school and it was lovely to see her with her friends. There is a gofundme page set up to help with practical costs and hopefully give Carley, her mum, the funds to book something to look forward to once Kacey is feeling better.

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#### Ambition

Matilda and Lois have an ambition to raise money for Force Cancer Research. They will be singing outside Co-op on Saturday afternoon from 3pm – 4pm. If you are able to join them, they would love to see you!

#### Adventure

Year 3, 4 and 5 have done an amazing job performing in their plays and concerts this week. For some children this may have been the first time they have performed in front of such a big audience – an adventure they won't forget! There will be pictures of the year 3/4 play in next week's newsletter.

#### Achievement

Well done to Jasmine and Dylan who both received trophies for rugby, Megan who achieved her Stage 2 swimming certificate and Ellie who won a competition – it's great to celebrate children's achievements – please do bring in certificates / trophies etc for our celebration assemblies.

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If you are able to donate anything for Kacey, please follow the link below. Many of the children have been making her cards and writing letters – if you would like to send a card, please drop it into the school office and we will pass this on to Kacey's family.

<https://www.gofundme.com/kaceys-recovery-fund>

## **Christmas Disco**

The Christmas discos are next Thursday evening and you will find a poster with all the information needed at the bottom of the newsletter. The year 3/4 disco is from 5.30pm – 6.30pm and the year 5/6 disco is from 7pm - 8pm. Tickets cost £2 (payable on the night) with 50p from each ticket being donated to the GROW project. There will be hotdogs, drinks and snacks on sale.

## **Christmas Cards**

If your child would like to give out Christmas cards, they can post them in our post box by reception. The year 6 'elves' will then deliver these in the afternoons. Cards need to have the child's name and class on to ensure successful delivery!

## **Open Afternoon**

You are welcome to join us on Wednesday evening from 3.30pm – 5pm for our half-termly open evening. This is an opportunity to meet informally with your child's teacher and celebrate the work they have done this half term.

## **Lock and Light Sale**

Helen from Sustrans will be here after school on Wednesday with some heavily discounted lights and locks for your children's bikes. She will be on the top playground after school.



## **Online Reporting**



Your child's on-line report will be available on School Pupil Tracker (SPTO) on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. This will show you your child's attendance, their levels of attainment in reading, writing and maths and their behaviour for learning so far this year.

Parents of year 3 children will have received an envelope today with login details for SPTO. If you have any problems logging in, please speak to reception or see Mr Broad or Mr Wilkinson.

## **Library Helpers Needed**

If you are able to give up around 15 minutes either before or after school (8.45am or 3.30pm) to join our team of amazing library volunteers who help children change their books, please see Mr Broad or Mrs Brown.

## **Year 5 Christmas Concert**

We were so busy enjoying the year 5 children singing at St Mark's Church yesterday, we forgot to take any pictures! The concert sounded fantastic and it was great to see so many people there. It really is beginning to feel a lot like Christmas!

## **Nut Allergies**

We have several children with severe nut allergies in school. Please do not send children to school with any nuts or nut based ingredients for lunch or snacks.

### **Dates for the diary:**

13<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Lunch

14<sup>th</sup> December – Singing Club Concert – 3.45pm – 4.30pm

14<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Disco – details below

15<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of term

4<sup>th</sup> January 2018 – First day back

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# Christmas Disco

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>  
December



Years 3&4 5.30pm-6.30pm

Years 5&6 7.00pm-8.00pm

Tickets £2.00

Pay on entry

Music

Games

Refreshments

Hotdogs



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