# Ladysmith Federation

## INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018

## FEDERATION NEWS

We are very sad to be saying goodbye to Charlie Nixon who has recently stepped down from her position as Co-Chair of the CPTT. Charlie has been a dedicated volunteer to the CPTT for over 7 years and has been an inspiration to all those who have been fortunate enough to work alongside her. She has worked tirelessly, not only to generate money for the great causes the CPTT supports across the Federation, but in

her commitment to creating events that have focused on bringing the; Children, Parents, Carers & Teachers together as a community.

Charlie's enthusiasm, drive and ambition should be commended by all; she was the brains behind the phenomenal success which is the Ladysmith Firework Night. We have estimated that through her passion for enriching the experiences our children receive at school, she has personally raised in excess of £20,000 for the CPTT.

I am sure you will join us in saying a MASSIVE thank you to Charlie – you will be missed!

We would also like to say a big thank you and farewell to Andy Barton who has been our treasurer for many years - we really appreciate the time and expertise you have given to the schools.

A report of the recent General Meeting of the CPTT will be available after half term

#### Stars of the Week

Congratulations to this week's winners who enjoyed a hot chocolate treat!





#### Welcome

We say welcome to Mr Magee and Miss Lee who together will be standing in as Teaching Assistants in Year 2. On the admin side, we welcome Mrs Hay as School Business Manager, who will be joining the office team after half term. We hope they will be very happy in their roles.



We welcome back to Ladysmith, Mrs Geeson who is taking on the role of Play Team Leader after half term.

#### Year 2



Year 2 parents were all invited to a meeting last Tuesday in the School Hall outlining how parents can best support their child with KS1 assessment that will take place during May 2018.

If you were unable to attend the meeting you should have received an information booklet from the class teacher.

All the information will be put on our website www.ladysmithfederation.net at a later stage

#### **Reminder – Hook Days**

Year 1 – Hook Day – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February – new topic 'The Stone Age'

Year 2 - Hook Day - Tuesday 20th February - new topic 'Around the World in 80 days'

The children are not required to dress up on either of these days so please come to school wearing school uniform as normal.

#### **4Life Martial Arts**

Letters have gone out today inviting children to enrol in the after school Martial Arts Group that is starting up after half term on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February. If you wish to join remember to complete and return your Application Slip, together with payment on the 1 first day back.

Ambition Adventure Achievement



#### **Curriculum letters**

Curriculum letters have been sent home this week. Working together at home is a vital ingredient in helping the children make the most of their school learning by applying and practising their skills, knowledge and understanding outside of the classroom. A good example is when you read to your children or let them read to you.

A big part of what we do at Ladysmith involves all children working together on sequences of work that build over a period of time. We really value children being in school as much as is possible so that they don't develop gaps in their learning and **achieve** their potential. If you have a struggle getting your child into school on time please come and talk to us – there are always solutions to challenging situations that we can work out together.

We understand that sometimes children are unwell and not able to attend school. When this happens, a phone call to school at the start of the day is necessary. If you wish to request a leave of absence, you will need a form (S2) which you can collect from the school office. Together we can realise our **ambition** to ensure that our children don't miss out on the Ladysmith learning **adventure**!

#### **Science Day**

We have an exciting day of Science activities planned for the **23<sup>rd</sup> February**. The day will begin with an assembly to introduce the day's challenge. The children will be investigating forces.

We would be very grateful if each child in Year 1 and Year 2 could bring a donation of **50p** each in a named envelope to help fund the resources.

#### Menu Change

To celebrate the Chinese New Year the canteen are making a change to the menu to reflect this



## Children, Parents, Teachers, Together (CPTT) Open Air Cinema Event



We are pleased to announce that for the first time we will be hosting an open air cinema screening of SING on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2018 from 6.30 onwards. Tickets will go on sale 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018 on a first come first served basis. Tickets cost £5 and under 3's are free. Volunteers to help support this event are very welcome. Please sign up if you are able to available to lend a hand by 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018. You will gain priority booking and a guarenteed ticket!

### Half Term

Finally, we wish you all a restful half term break.

The School re-opens on Monday 19th February 2018 at 8.50am.



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