Ladysmith Federation

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 17th March 2017

FEDERATION NEWS

Our teachers have been involved in a project with teachers from other schools in the River Exe Learning Partnership (RELP). Each teacher is working with a partner from one of the other schools to complete a "lesson study" in which we work together to plan, teach and assess the learning during a lesson in Maths. We will bring our findings back together at the end of the project so that we can make improvements to our practice. We believe as a federation that "Everyone has the ambition to be as good as they can be in all aspects of their learning" and this includes the adults working at the school!

Ambition Adventure Achievement



Our School Council having been thinking about "Ambition, Adventure, Achievement" have begun work on a new display for the Year One Corridor. They identified "Hook" days and Forest School as places where the most adventurous learning takes place. We believe that everyday contains an **adventure** of some kind: learning is an **adventure** in itself and the children can recognise their own learning behaviours. This month the school is focussing on being a "Can-do-bird" and learning to "have a go".

		In Reception:	In Year One:	In Year Two:
ĺ	Being willing to have a go″	I can start a new	I can start a new activity and say what I like	I can lead an activity and explain this to
		activity	and don't like	others
		I can have a go	I can show a "can do" attitude through my	I can challenge myself and keep going
		I can make mistakes	learning	I can reflect on what I have done and
	"		I can take risks and explain what I have learnt	how I could do it differently



BOOK FAYRE

MONDAY – FRIDAY 20™ – 24™ MARCH 2017 (MAGNOLIA ROOM)



You are invited to our Book Fayre.

Several books will be on display and orders taken.

World Book Day £1 book vouchers can be exchanged.

All the money spent on books at the Book Fayre goes towards **free** Scholastics books for the School.

Thank you for your support in taking part.

Exciting News

Letters went out last Monday announcing the new name and logo of the Ladysmith Federation 'PTFA'. Our Congratulations to the winning designers, Lucia (Y5) and Samuel



(Y6) in the Junior School and Janson (Y1) in the Infant School. Thank you also to Janson's dad who drew the final design. **CPTT** are hoping to appoint a parent and child 'rep team' from each class and for this reason we have extended the deadline (one week) to **Friday 24**th **March 2017**. Please complet



extended the deadline (one week) to **Friday 24th March 2017**. Please complete the application form on the original letter and return it to the school **before** Friday 24th March 2017. **Thank you.**



Outstanding Accounts

The end of term is fast approaching and we need to balance our books. Could we please ask everyone to clear all debts and drop payment into the office:

Nursery Fees and Nursery Meals; Cooking and Snack money (£5 per child per term Reception); Cooking Money (£3 per child per term YR1 and YR2).

Packed Lunch



If your child does not like school dinners please remember to pack a **Healthy Lunchbox.** At Ladysmith we follow a healthy eating campaign, which means avoiding too much sugar, for example sweets and fizzy drinks. **We do not allow nuts of any kind, cashew nuts, peanuts or peanut butter** as many children are allergic to them.



We also say no to glass bottles, thermos flasks or fizzy drink cans as they can be dangerous.

Health and Safety

We have started to have complaints again about the group of parents who have been gathering outside the perimeter of the school smoking and blocking the pathway resulting in others having to walk on the road to get past. Please can we ask all parents to show a little consideration and not block the pavements chatting and leave the area free so as not to cause danger or to inconvenience others by having to walk on the road to get past.

Guitar/Ukelele Lessons

If you are interested in your child taking up guitar/ukulele lessons, please pop your name and contact number into the office. (Charge: £6 per 30 minutes lesson).



Sainsbury's Vouchers

We are grateful for any Active Kids vouchers you can bring in. The more we collect, the more equipment we can get! We are able to exchange vouchers for a wonderful range of equipment for the school.

SEND

'Working Together' Drop-in-session

All Welcome to pop in for a chat and a cuppa

Wednesday 22nd March 2017

8.50am-10.30am

in the Family Room at the Infant School

DIAS (Devon Information Advice and Support) will be joining us to talk about free support that they can offer to parents of children with additional needs.

Farewell to the old building of... Ladysmith Junior School Ladysmith Middle School Ladysmith Secondary Modern School

Do you have links to our school in the past?

Come along and share your memories & have a tour of the old building, before it's demolished.



Saturday 18th March 10am— 12:30pm

Dates for the diary:

18th March – Farewell to old building (LJS)

20th – 24th March – Book Fayre

22nd March – Federation Assembly

22nd March – SEND Drop-In Session

24th March - Red Nose Day

24th March - Wildlife Champs

28th March - Year 1 Trip to Kents Cavern

28th March - Wild West Cowboy Lunch

31st March - Last day of term

10th April onwards - Pretoria Road Parking Restrictions

The Infant School re-opens after the Easter break on **Tuesday 18th April 2017.**

Don't forget!



Red Nose Day Friday 24th March 2017

Comic Relief is our Federation fundraising event this term so please help us to raise some money towards this good cause. Choose something red to wear on **Friday 24th March** and make a donation.



Reminder

Please do not bring dogs into School or in the playground. Thank you.

