

Ladysmith Federation

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 15th September 2017

FEDERATION NEWS

SEND 'Working Together'

Drop-in-Session

Tuesday 26th September 2017 at 8:50am

At the Infant School – The Link Room

Everyone is invited to drop in and have a cuppa and a chat with our **SEND Co-ordinators** from both schools, Louise Williams and Helen Keenor, and our joint **Family Support Worker**, Lindsey Blackwell.

Ambition Adventure Achievement

We believe that working in partnership with parents is a huge part of ensuring that Ladysmith children are successful and happy. "Lovely food", "Brilliant" "Great idea" and "A wonderful experience" were just a few comments made by parents of our new reception children as they joined them for lunch this week. It was good to see so many satisfied parents leaving the Rainbow Café. We have all been delighted with the support shown by parents and see it as an indicator of the commitment of parents in developing that partnership. Thank you!

Playtime and lunchtime

As you hopefully know by now, we are working hard to improve our play provision at playtime and lunchtime. Wherever possible we try to get the children outside as evidence shows that quality play has many positive outcomes on children including for physical and mental wellbeing. Please make sure your child has a **suitable coat** (*named, of course!*) at school so that if it is a bit drizzly they don't get too wet when they are playing outside.

Year 1 Phonics and Farm Trip Talk - **Monday 18th September 2017 at 2.30pm**

All Year 1 parents are invited to a talk in the school hall about how we teach phonics in school. We hope that you will be able to attend this presentation, as it will give you useful information and skills to enable you to support your child at home. This will be followed by a talk about farm life from Kevin Cotter from Organic Arts. We are planning a trip to take the children to West Town Farm in October.



Year 1 Hook Day – Monday 25th September 2017 will be all about farms. We would like the children to come to school dressed as a farmer or a farm animal.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Simons Soccer Schools Football Club

Tuesday 3:20-4:35pm for year 2 pupils,
starts 12th September is full.

Thursday 3:20-4:35pm for year 1 pupils
almost full!

Please call 07919360222 or email

simonsoccerschools@hotmail.co.uk

Premier Sports will be running two clubs:

Tuesdays 3.20-4.30pm - Gymnastics

(only a few spaces left)

Thursdays 3.20-4.30pm – Dance

Enrol today by visiting www.premier-education.com

For more information:

07711 788 525 or 07951 106237

- Don't want to pay for school trips?
- Don't want to pay for after school clubs?
- Want a free school jumper?

THINK YOU ARE ON A
LOW INCOME?

Make just **1 phone call** to find out if you are eligible for the pupil premium grant! We may provide a free school jumper, free school trips and free after school sports clubs for families qualifying!! Additionally the school will receive £1320 to spend on additional support for your child and others. FREEPHONE Devon County Council on:

0345 155 1019

(You will need to quote your name and address and your national insurance number)

FLU VACCINATION

All Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children should have been given a letter and consent form for completion and return to the school office **BEFORE 22nd September 2017**.

Keeping Children Safe

Our top priority is keeping children safe and your help with the following is much appreciated.

We are delighted with the positive response from parents about the removal of the fencing around the play trail, it does improve the space and flow around the site. It should be noted that before and after school, parents are responsible for their children's safety on the equipment and around the site.

Visitors to school have been leaving the school gates open when coming into the school during the school day. We monitor the gates remotely but it would really help if everyone could please remember to **SHUT THE GATE!**

The pollution level from vehicle emissions outside both schools is very high at drop-off and pick-up times. This is bound to be having an effect on the children especially those affected by breathing problems or allergies. Parents are asked to help and **switch the engine off** whilst waiting.



Parking – Safety: You are reminded of the dangers of parking/dropping off on the zig zag lines and between the traffic cones. Offenders will be reported to our PCSO.

Dogs (carried or otherwise) and **smoking** (including e-cigarettes) are also not allowed on the school premises



SECONDHAND UNIFORM SALES

The CPTT (formerly PTFA) will be holding a Secondhand Uniform Sale on Thursday after school (3.20pm): **Thursday 21st September 2017**

Year 2 Hook Day

A new topic, **Superheroes** will be introduced to Year 2 on **Friday 22nd September 2017**. Please can children remember to bring a large vegetable.

Uniform is not required on this day.

Dog Fouling



Please report dog fouling to Exeter City Council by calling 01392 277888 and asking for 'Dog Wardens' or by filling in our online form.

<http://exeter.gov.uk/clean-safe-city/environment/dogs-information-and-advice/report-dog-fouling/>

You will need to have a brief description of the owner and dog, and info on the location and time.

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