Ladysmith Federation

Junior School News

Friday 4th May 2018

FEDERATION NEWS



Come and join us from 6.30pm next Saturday 12th May for live music, a bouncy castle and a range of food and drink stalls, including a bar, hog roast, pizza, popcorn and more! Film starts at approx. 8.30pm (dusk).

The forecast is looking good!

Tickets for the outdoor cinema screening of 'SING!' are selling out fast! Tickets are still available for £5 from Mr Broad, Mr Wilkinson and both school offices. Tickets can also be bought and won today in the Junior School playground after school.

Ambition Adventure Achievement

Ambition

It was amazing to see so many bikes and scooters in school today! There were also plenty of very ambitious 'blinged up' bikes and scooters on show at lunchtime for the parade! Look out on Twitter for the winning designs!

Adventure

Well done to everyone who has had a go on the turbo bike this week – we travelled over 80 miles altogether!

Achievement

Well done to 4AN who performed samba in their family assembly – what an amazing sound!

The Big Pedal!

It has been amazing to see so many bikes and scooters in school over the last two weeks! We hope this will continue long into the summer and into next year. We are pleased to announce that over the summer, the bike shed will receive a new lease of life with a new level,

concrete base and a new cover!

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We would like to say a huge thank you to Helen Morse who works with Sustrans and has done such an amazing job organising The Big Pedal and lots of other events over the year. Today, we fed over 150 cyclists and scooter riders and every child in the school had the chance to make a smoothie on the smoothie bikes! That is a lot of smoothies!!

We also saw some very impressively decorated bikes and scooters arrive at school this morning! Look out on Twitter for some of the winning entries – prizes include clip 'n' climb tickets!







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Thank you for all of the kind book donations – we have had over 200 books donated already! If you have any books suitable for our children, we would welcome any donations. Books must be in excellent condition.

We are also in urgent need of volunteers to supervise the library before school between 8.45am and 9.15am and after school from 3.30pm until approx. 4pm. If you are able to give any time, please see either Mr Broad or Mrs Brown.



Book Fair

The book fair will be here from 16th – 23rd May. If the weather holds, the fair will be open in the playground after school. Children will have an opportunity to visit the fair during the week. A percentage of any profit made will go towards re stocking our library.

History Week

During the week beginning 21st May, all year groups will be taking part in a history week. More information will follow but in the meantime, we would welcome donations of old toothbrushes and small toys / figures etc.

Hay Fever!



The hay-fever season is upon us and we have seen several children around school suffering with sore eyes etc.

We are now able to administer medication and/or eye drops without a prescription.

GPs are no longer prescribing medication that can be bought over the counter and I should imagine more hay fever suffers are seeking advice from pharmacies and not going to the GP anyway.

Parents are required to fill in a permission form at Reception and all medication must be stored in the Medicine cupboard (including eye drops).

SATs Week - Breakfast

Children in year 6 will be taking their SATs tests during the week beginning 14th May. We have sent letters out to all year 6 children inviting them to join us for breakfast from 8.15am to make the mornings as relaxed as possible. If your child has not yet returned a slip, please do so on Monday to give us an idea of numbers. Spare letters are available from reception.

Pupil Premium Grant

Your child may be eligible for the Pupil Premium Grant which provides funds for the school to use to support your child to help reach their full potential. As well as extra support in school, your child could be eligible for half price trips and clubs as well as a free uniform and book bag.

To apply for Pupil Premium you will need to apply online at:

https://oneonline.devon.gov.uk/CCSCitizenPortal_LIVE/Account/Login?Ret or you can search for 'Pupil Premium Citizen Portal'

This is the quickest and easiest way to apply and will result in you getting an instant decision.

You will need to register on the portal using an email address before you can apply.

If you would like any support with your application, please contact Lindsey Blackwell, our Family Support Worker on 01392 255554.





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Family Assemblies

We have decided not to hold the year 6 class assemblies this year. With the end of year drama production, time is limited to prepare such events and we would rather that the children spent their time learning, alongside preparing for the production. This year's play will be performed on the 18th and 19th July – details of the play and how to get tickets will be available soon.

Bikes / scooters

We would like to ask any children riding bikes or scooters to school to come into school using the side entrance by the bike shelter.

Uniform

We are very proud of our children and we are constantly praised by visitors and members of the public for their behaviour. Part of this can be attributed to their appearance and we would like to remind parents, carers and children of the importance of wearing the correct school uniform. The uniform is set out in detail on the school website.

We would like to remind children that jewellery (apart from stud earrings) is not allowed and children are not allowed to wear make-up or nail varnish to school.



rspb a home Big Wild Sleep Out at RSPB Aylesbeare



Ladysmith Federation Big Wild Sleep Out

Friday 29 June 5pm – Saturday 30 June 10am

RSPB invites Ladysmith Federation to join us for a Big Wild Sleep Out!

See ParentMail for further information.

Places are limited to 50 and will be allotted on a first-come first-serve basis.

<u>Bookings close on Friday 25th May (or before if event sells out)</u>

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Dates for the diary:

10th May - Year 5 Dartmoor trip and sleepover

11th May – 3LD Family Assembly – 9.05am

12th May - Outdoor cinema event - 6.30pm - late

14th May -Year 6 SATs week

16th May – 23rd May – Scholastic Book Fair

18th May – 5IE Family Assembly – 9.05am

18th May - Year 6 Clip 'n' Climb trip

18th May - Year 3 trip to the Devon County Show

21st May - History Week

25th May - Last day of half term

4th June - First day back

21st June - Pop-Up Café at the Junior School

25th June – Mental Health week

29th June - Big Wild Sleepout

13th July - Fun Run! (details to follow)

18th and 19th July - Year 6 Production (details to follow)

23rd July - Year 6 Leavers Disco (details to follow)

24th July - Last Day of term