

Ladysmith Federation

Junior School News

Friday 25th September 2020

Ambition



Congratulations to our first 10-mile crew!

These children have amassed over 40 laps of the golden mile track this term!

Pau, Abby, Aaron, Callum, Silas, Lincoln, Thomas D, Thomas M, Finley, Brody, Evie, Isabella, Thierno, Harry, Millie, Dylan, Lewis and Oliver

Adventure

Part of our vision for every child is *'I embrace and value diversity within my own community'*

In assembly this week, Mr Broad talked about our 'British Values'

We watched a video which celebrated the fact that we are a richer society today thanks to our differences.

We are incredibly lucky at Ladysmith to have such a rich, multicultural identity.

Achievement

Well done to our stars of the week!

Year 3:

Amelia, Mussab and Aimee

Year 4:

Harrison, Emily, Joe and Oliver

Year 5:

Lucas, Violet, Ned, Jaya and Will

Year 6:

Edith, Harry and Finley

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Face Masks



With the recent tightening of restrictions and the realisation that social distancing at school drop-off and pick-up times is impossible in places, we would like to encourage all adults to wear a mask whilst on school premises at both schools from next week.

We recognise that not all people are able to wear a mask for health reasons. We would like to reassure you that staff will not be challenging people who are not wearing a mask. We also ask that parents do not judge or question each other.

Please also prepare the children for the fact that adults will be wearing masks on site and reassure them that this is not something to be alarmed about – we are just keeping each other safe.



Remote Learning—Google Classrooms

(Apologies for the amount of information below!)

We have set up Google Classrooms as our Online Learning Platform. We would look to provide remote learning through Google Classrooms in the event of any further local or national lock down.

We also plan to use the platform as a tool for the children to use while they are in school. It offers lots of exciting features such as live video teaching and the ability to collaborate on work with other children and submit work to teachers.

We would like your help to ensure that the children are all able to access their online classroom should they need to.

We are asking that before next Friday, all children log in to their Google Classroom at home. This can be done on a tablet or a PC / laptop. It can also be accessed on a smartphone but this is not ideal. Please get in touch if you are only able to access the internet via a smart phone.

Please help your child to follow these steps so that they can access their Google Classroom at home. Children should have already logged in at school using their class code which only needs to be done once. Please contact your child's teacher or Mr Broad if you need your child's class code.

How to log in to Google Classroom

Your child needs to:

- ⇒ Go to www.classroom.google.com
- ⇒ Log in to their G Suite for Education account using their login. This will have a 21 (Y6), 22 (Y5), 23 (Y4) or 24 (Y3), followed by their first name and the 2 first letters of their surname. They then need to add '@ladysmithfederation.net' to the end.
- ⇒ Their password is the same as the one they use to login to their computer at school.

If they can't remember these log-in details, please contact Mr Broad at dbroad@ladysmithfederation.net

We are working on stickers to add to the children's reading records which will have these login details on.

On the front page, there should be a video of Mr Broad introducing Google Classrooms which the children can watch.

On the classwork page, there is an '**assignment**' which asks the children to click on the link and complete 10 minutes on TT Rockstars (Logins are in their reading records)

They then need to click 'Mark as done'.

This will tell us which children have been able to access their Google Classroom.

Please get in touch if you are unable to access the site or if you have any questions.

We will be in touch with parents of any children who have not completed the assignment. This will not be to tell you off! We just need to know about anyone who might be unable to access remote learning should we need to again at any point.

If you have any questions (or, if you have any experience of using Google Classrooms and can offer any support!) please get in touch with Mr Broad.





Free School Meals Eligibility Checker

Do you think you might be entitled to Free School Meals?

There is now a way of checking online and it's really straightforward. If your child is eligible, they will be able to have free hot lunches, free school uniform, half price clubs and trips and they may be entitled to additional support at school. Just click on the link below and follow the instructions:

<https://pps.lqfl.org.uk>

- Click on 'check eligibility'
- Create new account – Proceed
- Select a local authority – Devon
- Scroll to Ladysmith Junior School
- Accept privacy notice

Enter Name, DOB and National Insurance number.



Exeter Athletics Rugby

Is your child interested in playing rugby? Are they in year 3?

If so, Exeter Athletics would love to welcome your child to their club!

Club sessions take place on Tuesday evenings at 6pm.

The price is approximately £35 for the season. However, children are invited to come and try a couple of sessions before signing up and committing to it.

To join or sign up for your child to come and try a session, phone Kate is on 07554 182199



The Infant School have asked us to put a request out for any wellies or waterproofs your child may have grown out of! They are in desperate need of both for children of all ages from Reception to year 2. If you can donate any, please pop in to the Infant School office.

Young Minds

How to make a worry box:

YOUNG MINDS

fighting for young people's mental health

a guide for parents, if your child often feels worried or anxious, and it's upsetting them or making it difficult for them to do other things, creating a worry box together might help. For more details go to:

<https://youngminds.org.uk/blog/how-to-make-a-worry-box-a-guide-for-parents/?fbclid=IwAR2nLYmnFLvTdgnqKXlrN5Qk>

Dates for the diary:

7.10.20—St-Luke's meeting for year 6 parents—2.30pm and 5pm.

15.10.20—Individual school photographs

23.10.20—Last day of the first half term

26th—30th October—Half Term Break

2.11.20—First day of second half term

18.12.20—Last day of autumn term



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