

Ladysmith Federation

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 10th March 2017

FEDERATION NEWS

School Closure

The Junior School will be closed on Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th April 2017 to enable transition into the new build. The Infant and Nursery School is not closing for the two days, and the Infant school children will be expected to attend school regardless of whether their sibling is off. We believe that every day is important in a child's education and that attendance is vital. This is especially true at the start of term when new topic "hook days" occur and children are introduced to the theme for the learning that will occur over the term. For this reason, unjustified school absence will be given an 'unauthorised absence mark'.

Ambition Adventure Achievement

Every day is full of adventure at Ladysmith, and the children spend over five hours a week outdoors in the playground areas. We are keen to increase the quality of the play occurring during these times and are going to be working with OPAL (Outdoor Play and Learning) to change the ethos around playtimes. You may be aware of the UN convention on the rights of the child of which article 31 says: *Every child has the right to relax, play and take part in a wide range of cultural and artistic activities.* Our much valued PTFA has raised enough funds to begin this exciting 18 month project which will involve all members of the school community, including parents! We will update you when we have more information. For now you can read about [OPAL](#) here.



Could you be a Local Hero?

Many of you will have seen our new sign on the fence outside the school. Why not join the School Crossing Patrol Team. Full training and a uniform will be provided.



Driving Concern

Following a message received from St Michael's School we would like to bring your attention to an issue regarding the speed at which people travel in the area around the Hairdressers on Hanover Road. This is where there used to be a crossing patrol (he is currently on long term sick leave). Please ensure that you are driving slowly down this hill and are considerate regarding families crossing the road. Many Thanks.



BOOK FAYRE
MONDAY – FRIDAY
20th – 24th MARCH 2017
(MAGNOLIA ROOM)

(after school until 4.30pm)

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.

Thank you for your support in taking part.



REMINDER

Keeping the office updated:

It is very important that the school office is informed of any change in a child's contact details (home address, telephone and mobile).

It can be very distressing for the child if their parents/carers cannot be contacted due to incorrect information held in the office.

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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).**



Lost Property

We have a pile of clothing (including coats) in lost property. Please remember to name **ALL** clothing and remind your child to look after his/her property. If your child should come home wearing the wrong sweat shirt or fleece, it would be very helpful if you could return it to the class teacher as quickly as possible. Keep an eye out for the main notice board which will have dates of the second hand uniform sales and a big thank you to those parents who have donated uniform for the sale, please keep items coming in!

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

Incredible Years – Parenting Programme

A 14 week course for all parents and carers with children aged between 3-5 years is starting on Thursday 16th March (9.30-11.30am) at the Whipton Children's Centre.
All are welcome.

For more information or book a place please ring Sarah Ralph on 01392 464754



Sainsbury's

Active Kids
Eat well • Move well • Live well

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.

Don't forget!



Red Nose Day 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.

Dates for the diary:

Nursery Consultations (in the Family Room)
14th, 15th, 16th and 17th March 9.30-3.00pm
(remember to sign the list for an appointment)

16th March - Pre St Patrick Day Lunch
20th – 24th March – Book Fayre
22nd March – Federation Assembly
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

Easter Holiday

The Infant School re-opens again on **Tuesday 18th April 2017**.



Parklife Heavitree is a community group focused on what goes on in Heavitree Pleasure Ground, Exeter. See our main Noticeboard for a list of the exciting monthly events that are planned to run from now until December.

WANTED

Large (12 inch/30cm diameter) plastic or terracotta plant pots. Please drop them into the office if you have any spare.

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