# Ladysmith Federation

# Infant and Nursery Newsletter

## Friday 3rd April 2020

## Coronavirus Q&A Edition

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### Where can I access online learning?

Click here for a link to our website where you will find a selection of online and other learning activities : http://www.ladysmithfederation.net/web/remote_learning

Don't forget to check Parent Letters on the website to find the most up to date information: http://www.ladysmithfederation.net/web/recent_school_letters/281945

For parents and carers of Key Stage One children, our new online platform will be launched on Tuesday 14th April via ParentMail. Watch out for Seesaw landing in your inbox…….

**Until then, enjoy your family time over the Easter period!**

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### I am struggling financially. How can I register for Free Schools Meals?

Applications need to be made via the Devon Citizens Portal - on the DCC website : https://www.devon.gov.uk/supportforschools/services-and-contacts/free-school-meals

To qualify you need to be claiming one of the following:

- Universal Credit
- Income Support
- Income-based Job Seekers Allowance
- *Child Tax Credit—providing you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income, as assessed by HMRC

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### I need to contact school. The phone isn't being answered.

If you need to communicate with the school please email rather than phone as the school office will be closed.

Please use this email : **infant.admin@ladysmithfederation.net**

Once the term begins on the 14th April, if you need to contact your child's teacher about your child's learning or wellbeing, please use the year group emails and teachers will respond within 48 hours.

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Year1support@ladysmithfederation.net

Year2support@ladysmithfederation.net

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# Information and Advice for Parents

## Information for children from Public Health

Coronavirus fact sheet for children: Information for children to help them understand what Coronavirus is, the importance of hand washing and how to help stop the virus spreading is available on the Campaign Resource Centre. This was developed by the Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust. They have also made an animation to go with it. A  Transfer link to the video for download is here.

## Advice from the Department of Education: Keeping children safe online

**Where can I go to get support to help keep my child safe online?**

There is a lot of support available to keep your child safe online. Below are some useful links to help parents and carers:

Thinkyouknow (advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online)

Internet matters (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)

Parent info (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)

LGfL (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)

Net-aware (support for parents and carers from the NSPCC)

## Handwashing advice

The most important thing individuals can do to protect themselves is to wash their hands more often, for at least 20 seconds, with soap and water. Public Health England recommends that in addition to handwashing before eating, and after coughing and sneezing, everyone should also wash hands after using toilets and whenever you return home.

The latest guidance and video on hand washing can be found here:  https://www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public

## Staying Active

There is lots of advice online but we have been asked to make you aware of the Sport England resources:  https://www.sportengland.org/stayinworkout

## Stay in Touch

We hope that you don't feel too isolated as you keep your family safe at home. If you need us, we're here—just at the end of an email rather than a phone. Reach out and make contact if you need to and we'll do our best to support you. Email: infant.admin@ladysmithfederation.net