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INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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FEDERATION NEWS

In the run up to Christmas, it is important to ensure that our children stay safe whilst online. Take time to read this advice: 9 tips to stay safe online at Christmas.

https://swgfl.org.uk/magazine/staying-safe-online-at-christmas/

Parent View

We hope that you have had an enjoyable first Term at Ladysmith. We would love to hear your views. Please complete the parent questionnaire using the following link: https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/

Christmas Concerts

We have had some amazing performances this week from Year 1 who acted out the nativity story "Born in a Barn." Nursery made us feel festive with their Christmas songs.
The choir also performed some of their favourite songs to parents this week.



Ambition

On Monday, the Seahorse class were invited to sing at the Age UK coffee morning in Heavitree. We sang all our songs beautifully and invited the audience to join in with our favourite: The Twelve Days of Christmas. Sarah, who organises the coffee mornings, sent us an email to say what fantastic singers we were and how much the audience loved to hear us sing. Thank you to all parents who helped us walk their safely!"



Adventure

A variety of Winter activites took place at Ladysmith this week with the children making reindeer food, winter plant decorations and playing seasonal games. A big thank you to Mrs Thorne who gave up her own time with the help of some of the Junior children to teach the children floristry skills. They all went home with beautiful decorations.



Achievement

Well Done to the Stars of the Week you earned a well deserved treat!



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Calling all



Reading Volunteers!

Do you have half an hour to spare one morning a week? We are inviting parents to read with children in all Year Groups from 9-9.30. We appreciate that this is a very busy time at drop off and would be able to offer a free car parking space in return. If you are interested please contact Mrs Collinge or Mrs Brown. You will need a full DBS check but this can be arranged through the school if you don't currently have one.

Christmas Parties

Christmas parties will be taking place across the school in the last week. **Nursery on Wednesday 19th** and **Year1 and 2 on Thursday 20th**. You should have had the opportunity to sign up for the food your child will be brining into school that day to share with their class. Please remember no **nuts** or **chocolate**. Children will be able to wear their party clothes to school on the day of their party .Year 1 can be dressed in medieval clothes for their banquet or their Heroes and Villains costume that they wore for Hook Day. Please wear clothing and footwear that are suitable for playtime and lunchtime.

Christmas Lunch

There will be a free Christmas Lunch available on **Wednesday 19th December** for the whole school. All bookings should now have been made for either a Roast Turkey or Vegeterian Roast.



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After School Clubs

Monday- Flim Flam Dance Club returns on Mondays from 3.20-4.10pm from 14th Januray – 1st April with a half term break. If you would like to book contact Lizzie Swinford here elizabethswinford@yahoo.co.uk. Sessions cost £2 just bring your energy and enthusiasm!

An exciting opportunity for your child/children to attend two new after school clubs has arisen!

Tuesdays - A new, fun club based on active team and collaborative games, in the school hall led by a qualified sports coach Ben Simons. The children love the games that have been introduced to them during the week and this builds on both physical and social skills needed to become a team player.

Thursdays - Gym club returns! An opportunity for girls and boys to develop their core strength, motor skills, control and concentration with Mr Radford. This not only gives children additional physical exercise but can also help develop the muscle control and strength needed so that fine motor skills can flourish - important in order to become proficient in writing and other academic skills.

Sign- up here: simonssoccerschools@hotmail.co.uk or call 07919360222.

The clubs will run on a first come, first served basis so make sure you book in quickly to avoid disappointment.

We also have a few spaces left in the Year One football club on Tuesdays which you can book using the links above.

Raffle Tickets

There is still one week left to buy raffle tickets from the school office or after the Reception Christmas Performances. All the money raised is going to the cancer chartity **Force** that is very close to our hearts. The draw will be made on **Thursday 20th December!**



Dates for your diary

https://ladysmithfederation.eschools.co.uk/web/calendar/215286

- 17.12.18- Year R Squirrels Christmas Performance (arrive at 2pm for 2.15 start)
- 18.12.18- Year R Rabbits Christmas Performance (arrive at 2pm for 2.15 start)
- 19.12.18 – Children's Christmas Lunch (Remember to Book)
- 19.12.18- Nursery Christmas Party
- 20.12.18 –Year R Hedgehogs Christmas Performance (arrive at 2pm for 2.15 start)
- 20.12.18- Yr 1 & 2 Christmas Parties
- 20.12.18 – Year 2 Carol Concert (from 4.45pm onwards)
- 21.12.18 – Children break up for Christmas (3.20pm)