

# Ladysmith Federation

## Junior School News

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2020

### *Federation News*



#### **Peekaboo!**

Our 'Fox CAM' picked up some great shots of our new family of foxes at the weekend!

We've yet to name our newest resident family—if you have any ideas—let us know!

This week's 'virtual Home Learning Stars of the Week' are...

**3NW**—Vicky from 3NW for excellent application and attitude towards all of her work.

**3CH**—Jack for really impressing me with his maths when in school this week and for putting in loads of effort.

**3CP**—Harrison for a very emotive letter to the government persuading them to ban plastic immediately, so it stops damaging our environment and oceans. Awesome handwriting as well Harrison!

**4AN**—Jaya for her lovely mouse shape poem.

**4RC**—Anastasia is 4RC's Star. She's worked really diligently on the home learning tasks and is keen to share her writing. She's responded positively to suggestions for improving her writing.

**4GM**—Sonny for great effort and self motivation in writing. He has written a great story about gremlins invading a football stadium.

**5MS**—Seren—she has created some lovely imaginative pieces of writing with great descriptions.

**5SW**—Rudy for his amazing piece of writing, 'Before the Clocktower.'

**5LD**—Leila – she won the Devon Wildlife Trust art competition with a stunning drawing of an owl!

**6MC**—This week it's Grace, simply for her ongoing enthusiasm and constantly cheerful manner; well done.

**6JE**—Olivia for self motivation and effort in extending her setting and character description into a well written and exciting story with excellent vocabulary choices.



### Financial Support

If you think that you might be entitled to benefits please follow this link to the [Government online calculator](#).

**FREE SCHOOL MEALS:** All those in receipt of Free School Meals are now receiving weekly vouchers which can be redeemed at supermarkets.

If you fall into one of the following categories, you can apply for the Pupil Premium Grant, and will qualify for Free School Meals. Applications need to be made via

[the Devon Citizens Portal - on the DCC website](#).

**We would like to say thank you to the CPTT who have given us some much needed funding to support families who are in need during this time.**



**The Children and Family Health Devon Autism Assessment Team** have created a handy guide to explain Social Stories and how to make them. Follow the Autism Assessment Team on Facebook for updates:

<https://www.facebook.com/CFHDAutism/>



**NHS**

#### Advice for children going back to school. NHS

England's top doctor for children and young people's mental health has urged parents to be alert to signs that children could be experiencing anxiety, distress or low mood as some pupils return to school.

NHS England has issued advice on what parents should look out for and steps that they can take to look after their child's mental health, based on advice from clinicians and first-hand experience from patients and parents.

Read the full article here:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/2020/06/top-nhs-doctor-issues-advice-for-children-going-back-to-school/>

#### Global Health Homeschool

Free activities for children to explore health, science, and staying safe from the comfort of home.

<https://www.globalhealthhomeschool.org/>

#### Dear Wild Learners...

**CHALLENGE:** This week the theme is all about Bees and Butterflies.

4 - 7years old Create a picture of a bee and/or butterfly

8 -12 years old Create a picture of a bee and/or butterfly and tell us why you think they are important.

The chosen winning pupil(s) will receive an FSC identification guide on butterflies. There will be one prize for each of the two age categories (4 -7 years and 8 -12 years). To participate all you have to do is take a picture of your work, with the student's first name, age and school and send it to Emily from the education team on [ebacon@devonwildlifetrust.org](mailto:ebacon@devonwildlifetrust.org) by the deadline of Sunday 14th June - we will be in touch with the winner afterwards.

Best Wishes, Paul and Emily



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### General Information

[Please click here](#) to access a previous newsletter with details of the following topics:

- Keeping in touch
- Remote learning links
- SEND and Family Support
- I am struggling financially. How can I register for Free Schools Meals?
- Advice from the Department of Education: Keeping children safe online
- Information for children from Public Health
- Handwashing advice



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