

Ladysmith Federation

INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 10th November 2017

FEDERATION NEWS



Our Fireworks Night Fiesta went off with a **whizz! pop! bang!** on Friday! Thank you to all who came and we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did! None of it would have been possible without all of the wonderful volunteers, so a big fat thank you to every single person involved in making the night a success; from (take a deep breath..!) ticket selling, making signs, selling pumpkins, brewing beer (Fred van der Hoek) or donating it (Ben & Dao Thorne), chipping in for a couple of hours or all day to set up or take down stalls, cooking a mammoth amount of sausages, preparing (scrumptious!) mulled drinks, sourcing/ selling flashing toys, organising/ running all those fun games, pulling pints at our very popular bar, piling marshmallows onto hot choc, dishing out hot-dogs, manning a fire barrel or our new sparklers area, handing out pumpkin prizes & being a friendly face on the bus, decorating the delightful sweetie stalls, glow-painting faces, stewarding & manning the gates, to Mr Broad's pride of place on the PA (phew!). With special thanks to James Hewlett who expertly set up all the electrics for us, and of course to Andy Hawkins, our Junior's Site Manager, who relentlessly chain sawed wood and helped enormously.

We are still counting the money so we'll let you know how much profit was made for the school. If you would like to get in touch, please email cptt@ladysmithfederation.net - all feedback welcome, constructive or positive.

Vacancy – Clerk to the Ladysmith Federation Governing Body

The Governors of Ladysmith Federation are looking for an exceptional candidate to provide professional clerking services. This is an exciting opportunity for a flexible, motivated and organised individual to work with our dedicated Board of Governors. The successful candidate must be flexible in their approach and be available to attend evening meetings (approximately 6 each academic year), make regular visits to school, attend training events and work from home to complete administrative duties.

Please contact Lorraine Carter at Ladysmith Junior School, 01392 255554 for more information.



Pumpkin competition entries



Ambition Adventure Achievement

We love the fact that our children are using the Play Trail every day. The **OPAL** project works on the basis that:

**A hazard is something that a child cannot see.
A risk is a challenge that a child chooses to undertake or not.
Eliminating risk leads to a child's inability to assess danger.**

In the mornings before school and after school it is the responsibility of the parents to supervise their children and help them to assess risks for themselves. We do not supervise children using the equipment at these times but would appreciate your help and intervention if you see your child:

- Involved in play which is dangerous to themselves or another
- Involved in play that causes damage to property or equipment

If all adults are consistent with these messages then the children will very quickly be able to risk assess their play independently. If you spot a hazard, then please let us know so that we can act to keep our children safe.

School Photographs

Remember to hand your order, together with full payment, into the office for onward transmission to Tempest Photography before **Friday 24th November 2017**.





Children in Need (Non Uniform Day) Friday 17th November 2017

For a donation wear spots for the day and raise lots



Flu Vaccination

The nasal flu vaccine will be given on Thursday 23rd November 2017 to those children who handed in their consent form before the deadline. The Pharmacist has requested that, if possible, can the children having the vaccine bring in their NHS Red Book (Personal Health Record Book) on the day. If you are unsure whether you handed in your form before the deadline, please pop into the office to check.

National School Meals Week

Tuesday 14th November 2017 – **Change of Menu**



Specially-made Beef and Tomato Sausages with Creamed Devon Potatoes – Or Vegetarian Option - Devon Speciality Homity Pie made with Devon Potatoes. Both options with a choice of Devon vegetables and served with Onion Gravy. Devon Apple Crumble and Custard.

Packed Lunch

If your child does not like school dinners please remember to pack a **Healthy Lunchbox**. At Ladysmith we follow a healthy eating campaign, which means avoiding too much sugar, for example sweets and fizzy drinks. We do not allow peanuts or peanut butter as some children are allergic to them. We also say no to glass bottles, thermos flasks or fizzy drink cans as they can be dangerous.



Keeping Our Children Safe

We have a responsibility to protect children from fumes and cigarette smoke. A group of parents who have been gathering outside the perimeter of the school to smoke are blocking the pathway resulting in others having to walk on the road to get past. Please be considerate and wait until out of the school vicinity to smoke. Thank you.



SEND 'Working Together' Special Drop-in-Session

Wednesday 15th November 2017 at 9.00am
Infant School – Community Room
(entrance via Pretoria Road)



Everyone is invited to drop in and have a cuppa and a chat with our **SEND Co-ordinators** from both schools (Louise Williams and Helen Keenor). The **DIAS** (Devon Information Advice and Support for SEND) will be hosting the session 9.30am-11.30am

Family Support

At our **Drop In** on **Wednesday 15th November** we have Alice Walsh attending from the Department of Work and Pensions/ Job Centre Plus. She will be available from 9am until 10am. Alice can offer advice on benefit entitlement, returning to work etc. If you would like to speak to Alice please just come along to Ladysmith Junior School – Food Technology Room on Wednesday morning from 8.50 am – 10am for a coffee and a chat. We look forward to seeing you.



Park Life are a charity trying to get a café and community centre built in Heavitree Park and they need some help with fundraising. Why not join us for a chat and a drink in The Royal Oak, Heavitree at 7.30pm on Monday November 20th or email kateholmes@parklifeheavitree.org.uk or ben@parklifeheavitree.org.uk or call 07814341500

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Theatre Alibi presents Apple John

Wednesday 22 November 7pm in the Junior School Hall.

DON'T FORGET TO BUY YOUR TICKETS!

£4 child/£5 adult

On sale direct from the CPTT outside the Infant School Reception 3.20-3.40pm from Monday 13th November 2017 until show date.

Tickets sell out quickly!

Christmas Performances

Nursery Sing Song

Monday 27th November 2017 - 2.45pm – 3.00pm

(If not one of your child's days he/she can come along just for the performance and then go home)

Reception performances start promptly at 9.45 am

Hedgehog - RH (Miss Symons) - Monday 11th December 2017

Rabbit - RR (Miss Ronchetti) - Tuesday 12th December 2017

Squirrel - RS (Mrs Jarrell/Mrs Youde) - Wednesday 13th December 2017

Year 1 performances start promptly at 9.45 am

Bumble Bee - 1BB (Mrs Pounds) - Monday 4th December 2017

Dragonfly - 1D (Mrs Jones/Mrs John) - Tuesday 5th December 2017

Butterfly - 1B (Mrs Smith) - Thursday 7th December 2017

Year 2 performances start promptly at 2.30pm

Seahorse - 2S (Mrs Heuer-Evans) - Monday 11th December 2017

Turtle - 2T (Miss Potter) - Tuesday 12th December 2017

Dolphin - 2D (Mrs Slack/Mrs Collinge) - Wednesday 13th December 2017

**Children break up for Christmas
Friday 15th December 2017 at 3.20pm**



BABY CLINIC

There is something on every day in The Baby Room at Ladysmith.

Monday

Post Natal Pilates with Annette – 1.30-2.30

Tuesday

Pelvic Floor Recovery – 11-12 (please book online)

Baby Massage – 2-3

Pregnancy Fitness – 6.30-7.30 (please book online)

Pelvic Floor Recovery – 7.30-8.30 (please book online)

Wednesday

Nappuccino, Sling Library, Breastfeeding Support and Cloth Nappies - 9.30 - 2

Thursday

NCT Bumps and Babies – 1-2.30

Friday

Breast Friends, Breastfeeding Support, Slings and Nappies -12-2.30

www.thebabyroomexeter.wordpress.com or [The Baby Room Exeter](https://www.facebook.com/TheBabyRoomExeter) on Facebook

The Baby Clinic also have a free taster session of Baby Birdsong music classes, this is a music group for babies under 1, on Tuesday 14th 9am for 9.30 start, tea and coffee available. Nurturing attachment, communication and development through gentle musical play, moving, singing and instrumental sounds with your baby.

Jennifer Harris, Independent Nappy Advisor, Breastfeeding Peer Supporter, 07886626093

www.exeterbabies.co.uk