# Ladysmith Federation

# **Junior School News**

# Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2017

# **FEDERATION NEWS**

<u>SEND</u> 'Working Together' <u>Drop-in-Session</u> Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 8:50am Infant School – The Link Room

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, and our joint **Family Support Worker**, Lindsey Blackwell.

# **Crealy Great Adventure!**

The whole school had a fantastic trip to Crealy

# Ambition Adventure Achievement

#### Ambition

Read below to find out how Emily and Peyton have shown real ambition to help others.

# Adventure

What an amazing adventure we all had on Tuesday at our whole school trip to Crealy Adventure Park!

# Achievement

Well done to Finlay who achieved his first swimming certificate, Sophie who won a poetry competition and Logan who became a leader at his cubs group.

Adventure Park this week – a real adventure to remember! The children made use of every single moment and it was great to them all having such fun. We have heard nothing but praise from our wonderful parent volunteers who came with us – they all commented on how well behaved the children were and what lovely company they were for the day. We would like to say a huge thankyou to the army of volunteers – it couldn't have happened without their help. We have seen some fantastic story writing inspired by the trip and we are sending off hundreds of thankyou letters to Crealy. The children have since requested whole school trips to the likes of Universal Studios and Disney Land...



# Fundraising for friends of Buburi

People of Buburi are suffering from an infection called malaria. Malaria is caused by mosquitos that carry the virus and inject it when they bite you. So you may be wondering who friends of Buburi are... well, they are a charity that go out into Buburi which is a place in Kenya. They help people with malaria. One way to help them is to buy malaria nets – they are a cheap and easy way to save people's lives – they only cost 50p. We will be having a cake sale on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September after school. We have asked year 5 children to kindly donate some cakes for the sale. You can drop them off outside reception on the trolley on the Friday morning. Thankyou!

Emily's grandma is part of the friends of Buburi charity and she often travels to Buburi to help the people there. If you are able to support this event, please do: Emily and Peyton have showed real commitment to this cause.



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# Clubs

Children have today received confirmation of whether they are able to attend the clubs they have applied for. If the club is full and your child has not been successful, they will be on the waiting list and will have first refusal next term. If you have any questions, please see Mr Broad or see the member of staff who is running the club.

# Homework

Thankyou for your patience while we finalise the format of homework for this year. We want homework to be straight forward and consistent across the school so that children and parents know what is expected. Homework will be given out next Friday although year 6 will have some homework this week. Homework will be given out and handed in on Fridays. There will be spellings each week, times tables and an expectation that children read for a minimum of 20 minutes every day. Children in year 5 and 6 may have an additional maths or grammar activity which will be in their homework book. There will be a spelling and times tables test every Friday and this will be done in their homework book so that you can see how your child has done each week. In this book, there are tips on how to support your child with learning their spellings and times tables. They have their reading record book which will be checked every Friday by an adult. You will also receive a leaflet with details about Accelerated Reader - how this works and what you can do to support your child.

# **Dog Fouling**

Lots of people (both parents and local residents) have commented that there has recently been an increase in dog fouling in the vicinity of the school.

Parents can report any dog fouling that they see taking place by going to this link and following the instructions:

http://exeter.gov.uk/clean-safe-city/environment/dogs-information-and-advice/report-dog-fouling/ You will need to have a brief description of the owner and dog, and info on the location and time.

# Jumpers / PE kit

Thank you to all parents – the children are looking very smart in their uniform. Please help us to help the children look after their belongings by naming their jumpers, PE kits and pretty much anything else they own! Unless you ask us not to, we will write your child's name in any jumpers which are not labelled as we get a lot of lost property every term which is often never reunited with its owner because we don't know whose it is.

#### Library

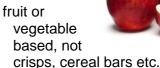
We have a group of wonderful volunteers who come in once or twice a week to help in the library. This is for half an hour at the start of the school day and at the end of the day so that children have an additional opportunity to change their reading book. If you are able to give up some time, please see Mr Broad.

# **Healthy Snack**

Please ensure that your child has a healthy snack for break time. We ask that snacks are

#### Dates for the diary:

22<sup>nd</sup> September – Science Dome visit – separate email sent 22<sup>nd</sup> September – Charity Cake Sale after school 22<sup>nd</sup> September – next installment for BEAM house due 26<sup>th</sup> September – SEND drop-in session 4<sup>th</sup> October – No Pens Wednesday – details to follow 18<sup>th</sup> October – Half termly open evening – 3.30pm – 5pm 20th October – Last day of half term 3<sup>rd</sup> November – Fireworks night – details to follow



Jacket potatoes are now available as an option Monday – Thursday. Please see the school website for more details.

Lunches

No

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