

# Ladysmith Federation

## Infant and Nursery Newsletter



Friday 20th November 2020



### Ambition

**Thank you** to everyone who donated to Children In Need. We managed to raise the grand total of **£308.40**



### Adventure

Some of the children in Reception worked together this week to build a den!



### Achievement

We have had another entry for the Doodle Maths half term challenge.

Congratulations to **Scarlett Cull in Dolphin Class**. Well Done to **Turtle Class** who are the Top Doodlers this Week !



## Federation News

*Thank you to Marie who has put together a CPTT newsletter which has been emailed out with today's newsletter. It has been such a shame that we have not been able to put on the usual events such as the colour run, fireworks night and regular pop-up cafés.*

*Apart from the lost income, we have missed hosting these amazing community events where we can all get together.*

*The CPTT are looking for some ideas to try and recreate some of this community feel and raise some much needed funds which have proved so invaluable in the past. Please read the attached newsletter from the CPTT and see how you could get involved.*



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# Information and Advice for Parents

## Online Safety

Children are accessing technology and the internet at a younger age than ever before. It's never too early to talk to your child about what they do online and who to tell if they come across anything online that makes them feel worried, scared or sad. Think U Know has some great resources for parents and carers of children of all ages. Please follow the link for 4-7 year olds.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>



## Parent Survey

We are constantly looking at ways to improve the school, and would like to hear your views to help us with this. Please take the time to respond to the survey by clicking on the link below and completing by Friday 27th November. The survey should take no longer than 3-4 minutes.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/LISParentSurvey2020>

## Covid Requests and Reminders:

We fully appreciate that some families find the staggered starts tricky when dropping off siblings. It is really important that all parents wait with their children on the playground until their classroom doors are opened by their teacher. In extenuating circumstances an arrangement may be considered, to enable children to be dropped off earlier.

We have seen a rise in Covid cases this week in the Exeter area. In response to this all staff are now wearing masks when they move out of their *Year Group Bubbles* around the school site. If they are working directly with other children, they wear visors so that their faces can be fully seen by the children.



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### **MTA Job Vacancy**

*Ladysmith Infant & Nursery School are looking to recruit a Mealtime Assistant to work in their Nursery.*

*The working hours are Tuesday, Thursday & Friday from 11.45 – 1.30, Term time only from January 2021 for two terms.*

*Priority for interview would be given to applicants who have a level 3 in childcare qualification.*

*Please email Lorraine Carter at [lcarter@ladysmithfederation.net](mailto:lcarter@ladysmithfederation.net) for an application form or for more information. Closing date for applications is **Wednesday 25th November**.*

*We are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.*

*An enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service check is required for this post.*

### **A Reminder of when your child may need a Covid Test**

**Government guidance asks that we all follow these principles: You should only book a test if your child has any of these 3 coronavirus symptoms:**

1. a high temperature: any new high temperature where your child feels hot to touch on their chest or back (you do not need to measure the temperature)
  2. a new continuous cough: coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
  3. a loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste: a noticeable loss of smell or taste or things smell and taste different to normal
4. your child does not need a test if they have a runny nose, are sneezing or feeling unwell but do not have a temperature, cough or loss of, or change in, sense of smell or taste because these are not normally symptoms of coronavirus

**If you are unsure about whether to get a test:**

1. only the person with symptoms should get a test. You do not need to get a test for anyone else in the household unless they also have any of the 3 symptoms listed above. All members of the household need to self-isolate whilst waiting for the test result
2. if the person with symptoms' test comes back positive, other members of their household should continue self-isolating for 14 days and only get a test if they develop coronavirus symptoms
3. if a pupil or student in a class or bubble tests positive for coronavirus, anyone who is advised to self-isolate does not require a test unless they subsequently develop symptoms.

No one else in the same class or bubble as the symptomatic person needs to take any action unless advised by the school or college. Schools and colleges have detailed guidance and access to a Department for Education and Public Health England helpline for advice and support.

Contacts of a person who has tested positive must follow the guidance carefully and in full, which means they must stay at home for 14 days. This is because it can take several days following contact with an infected person before an individual develops symptoms or the virus can be detected. Students should only book a test if they get symptoms.

# Dates for the Diary

## Reception Vision Screening:

Thursday 26th & Friday 27th November

## Christmas Lunch:

Wednesday 16th December

## Last day of Autumn Term:

Friday 18th December

For all other dates please visit the school website.

Check Dates online: [Online Calendar](#)

**Christmas Lunch**

Wednesday, 16th December 2020

Roast Turkey or Quorn Roast  
Roast Potatoes

Pigs in Blankets [turkey option]  
Sage & Onion Stuffing

Peas, Carrots and Sprouts

Gravy & Cranberry Sauce

Ice Cream Tub

You will be receiving a ParentMail about this. Please book by 2nd December.

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