

## Junior School News

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2018

### FEDERATION NEWS



#### Sports Relief

Come and join us next Thursday from 8am on the Golden Mile track for a family run!

#### Homework

This year, we have simplified the way in which homework is set across the school. This was to try and ensure a consistent approach and to enable us to focus home learning on areas which we felt would have greatest impact on the children's learning and minimum impact on home life. In order for us to review the impact of these changes, we would like some feedback about your child's homework. We would appreciate your time answering a few questions by [clicking here](#) to take part in a short survey. It should take no longer than 5 minutes. The survey will be available until Monday 26<sup>th</sup> March.

#### Parent's Evening

If you have returned a parent's evening slip, you should by now have received a slip back confirming the time of your appointment. Parent's evening is taking place on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. If you have not yet booked a slot, please speak to your child's teacher, send a note in with your child or email Mr Broad at [dbroad@ladysmithfederation.net](mailto:dbroad@ladysmithfederation.net).

#### Library

We will soon be needing new books for our school library. If you have any books suitable for our children, we would welcome any donations. Books must be in excellent condition. We are also in urgent need of volunteers to supervise the library before school between 8.45am and 9.15am and after school from 3.30pm until approx. 4pm. If you are able to give any time, please see either Mr Broad or Mrs Brown.

#### Dressing up Clothes

Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated dressing up clothes. Amelie in year 5 has donated some resources but other donations have been anonymous – if you have donated some, let Mr Broad know so that you can be publically thanked! We would also welcome donations of any blankets and small world toys, such as toy cars and action figures. Please drop donations to the school office.

#### Sleepeasy

Last weekend, on the night of Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> March, the YMCA held a sponsored 'Sleepeasy' in Barnfield Crescent, where many volunteers spent the night under the stars (or rainclouds!). This was to raise money for and awareness of the difficulties that homeless people face at night time. Mrs Nyeko was involved in

Ambition Adventure Achievement

#### Ambition

3NW showed great Ambition in their family assembly today! Green screen technology allowed the children to report direct from Rome! The assembly will soon be available on the school website.

#### Adventure

Year 6 have had an amazing week away at Beam house and those who stayed at school have had their own activities week and done some amazing things! Make sure you look at all the photos on our Twitter feed @ladysmithfed

#### Achievement

Well done to Rhiannon in year 6 who donated 12 inches of her hair to the Princess Trust, raising an impressive £120. Great Ambition, Adventure and Achievement Rhiannon!

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the event and alone raised just over £500! What an incredible example of Ambition, Adventure and Achievement for a very worthy cause.

## Exeter Phoenix Workshops

Following the success of the CALMER MINDS family workshops at Exeter Phoenix they will be running another set after Easter. These CALM and HAPPY family workshops will teach children and families how to hold on to the good stuff, become more resilient and develop a toolkit to help them through their tricky times. There will be practical support for children who often feel down or find life a challenge.

Tickets are limited to enable them to offer a personal service. Please follow the link for more information or to book a place. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/calm-and-happy-family-workshops-tickets-44075580247>

What is Fortnite and why are parents worried about it?

Please follow the link if you would like to know more about the latest gaming craze and how it appears to be affecting some children. <https://www.devonlive.com/whats-on/whats-on-news/what-fortnite-parents-worried-it-1313641>

## Accelerated Reader

Remember, children are able to take quizzes at home as well as at school. The link can be found through the useful links section of the school website or by [clicking here](#).

## Mr Williams is running the London Marathon!

On April 22<sup>nd</sup>, I will be running the London Marathon to raise money for Cancer Research UK. A charity which supports those with cancer and their families, which affects so many of us.

I am aiming to raise £5000 pounds with my best friend for this wonderful charity and we would be really grateful for any sponsorship you may wish to give.

For every £5 sponsored, you will be entered into a raffle with the grand prizes of a signed Exeter Chiefs rugby jersey, a signed England rugby ball and a signed Wales Rugby Jersey with smaller prizes ranging from beer crates to wine and chocolate.

If you would like to donate to this wonderful charity, I would be really grateful.

You can either visit our just giving page at:

[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/neilrunslm2018](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/neilrunslm2018)

Or Text **70070** with message **NWCR90** followed by the amount.

Thank you, Mr Williams

## Sports Relief 2018 – w/b 19<sup>th</sup> March

This year, during Sports Relief week, the children will be taking part in a variety of activities. On Monday, there will be a lunchtime yoga session. On Tuesday, the children will see how many miles they can walk collectively at lunchtime. On Wednesday, there will be some challenges such as keepy-up challenges, skipping and scoring netball goals.

On Thursday, there is a Family Run between 8am and 8.30am.

Come along with your child and walk or run around the Golden Mile Track (weather permitting) for a small donation.

On Friday, the children are invited to come to school in sports kit and will take part in an obstacle course. We are asking for a £1 donation to Sports Relief.

### Dates for the diary:

19<sup>th</sup> March – Sports Relief Week

19<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> March – Parent's Evening

23<sup>rd</sup> March – 5GM family assembly – 9.05am

26<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 trip to Caerleon

28<sup>th</sup> March – Half-termly open evening – 3.30pm – 5pm

29<sup>th</sup> March – Last day of term

16<sup>th</sup> April – First day of summer term

16<sup>th</sup> April – Tickets to outdoor cinema event go on sale

11<sup>th</sup> May – 3LD Family Assembly – 9.05am

12<sup>th</sup> May – Outdoor cinema event – 6.30pm – late

14<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs week

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