

Junior School News

Friday 10th February 2017

FEDERATION NEWS

We hope the children enjoy a restful break over half term and we look forward to seeing you all again on Tuesday 21st February.

Parking

We have serious concerns about the manner in which some parents are parking on the yellow zig-zag lines and yellow lines outside school. The highway code states that: Parents must not wait or park on yellow lines during the times of operation shown on nearby time plates. Double yellow lines indicate a prohibition of waiting at any time even if there are no upright signs. Please do not wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings when upright signs indicate a prohibition of stopping. Please help us to ensure that the area around school is kept safe for all children.

If you have concerns yourself, you can report them here:

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/roadsandtransport/parking/how-parking-is-regulated/>

Chinese New Year

A group of Cultural Champions worked with year 4 this week and talked about Chinese New Year and then taught the children to write 'good fortune!' as well as some good will messages and their names in Chinese.



Ambition Adventure Achievement

Ambition

On Wednesday 8th February, 9 children competed in the St James School Spelling Bee competition. The girls showed great self-motivation and ambition.

Adventure

Both spelling teams took on the challenge with great enthusiasm and showed true teamwork. The final round saw the children compete in a 'quick-fire' round where each child took turns to spell a word into a microphone in front of the whole room. It was nerve-wracking to watch so I was really impressed with the way the children embraced the challenge.

Achievement

Ladysmith came 1st place out of the 9 schools, winning by just 1 point! In the end, there were just 15 points separating the team in first and last place. Both teams did amazingly well and we are looking forward to defending our title next year with a new team.

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Mayan Hot Chocolate!

Year 5 brought in their own flavourings to add to hot chocolate today as part of their Mayan topic. We could have all done with a mug of hot chocolate after being out in the cold at lunchtime!



Hanover Road Crossing Patrol

As many of you know, our lovely Lollipop man, Ken, is on long term sick leave. Anyone who has any concerns about the future of the road patrol across Hanover road should contact Colin Savage on either 01392 382247 or at colin.savage@devon.gov.uk. It's really important that we all register our concern to ensure children are safe when crossing the road. If the council think that we can manage without a road crossing patrol at what is a very difficult and dangerous junction, the funding will be lost and we will have no replacement.



Exeter Children's Orchestra / Junior Orchestra



Exeter Children's Orchestra / Junior Orchestra is available to children between the age of 7 - 18 who have recently started to learn a standard orchestral instrument up to about Grade 2 standard. (Children will need to be able to read music). Not only does it give new starters the opportunity to play as part of a group but teaches you to follow a conductor, listen to others, counting skills and disciplines you may not put into practice in an individual music lesson.

The aim of the group is to give the confidence to play and perform together and to then move up to ECO in the future. The group also joins the full orchestra for one or two pieces in each concert.

There is an open day at St Leonards Primary School on 25th February. No scary auditions – they promise!

Dates for the diary:

- 20th Febraury – Non-pupil day
- 21st February – First day back
- 24th February – 5NW family assembly – 9am in the hall
- 3rd March – World Book Day
- 3rd March – 4RM family assembly – 9am in the hall
- 10th March – 4KH family assembly – 9am in the hall
- 13th March – Year 3 Roman Roadshow
- 13th – 17th March – Year 6 residential trip to BEAM house.
- 17th March – Comic Relief Day – details to follow
- 24th March – 5AS family assembly – 9am in the hall

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