

Friday 5th October 2018

FEDERATION NEWS

The CPTT will be holding its first meeting of the year on Wednesday 17th October 6pm at the Junior School. We will be discussing the exciting up and coming events. All are welcome to attend.

KS1 are looking forward to meeting with Parents at Parent Consultations next week. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet with your class teacher to discuss how they have settled into their new class, the curriculum they will be covering this year, personal targets and tips for helping your child at home. If you haven't signed up yet make sure you book a slot on either **Monday 8th or Wednesday 10th October**. You can also pop into the Book Fair which will be held in the library on both evenings.



Nursery Parent Consultations

Nursery Parent Consultations will be held during the week commencing **Monday 15th October** on the following dates:

Mrs John will be available on Monday 15th (2-5pm) and Tuesday 16th October (1-4pm)
Mrs Jones will be available on Thursday 18th (2-5pm) and Friday 19th October (1-4pm)

Parents are invited to sign the list in the Nursery to book a mutually convenient time. Parent consultations enable us to discuss progress and any other issues relating to your child.

Consent Booklets and Birth Certificates

All children in School (**Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2**) need to carefully read the Consent Booklet and return it duly signed to their class teacher. **This is a very important document due to new legislation concerning sharing of personal information.** We also need to have sight of Birth Certificates if you have not already done so.

Ambition

During our Federation Ambition Week the children enjoyed listening to their parents ambitions in assembly. This inspired them to think about what they would like to be when they grow up and what skills they might need to be successful. We had some great examples ranging from vets, archaeologists and explorers to lifeguards and rock stars!



Adventure

Year 1 had an amazing adventure when they explored West Town Farm. They had a wonderful time pressing apples and making pumpkin soup by the fire. They loved visiting the animals and even made a straw bale den. Most of the straw came back with us on the mini bus and into school!

Achievement

Turtle class had a great time making sushi this week. Mrs Williams and Mrs Pearce felt very proud of the teamwork that went on and the fact that all the children tasted what they had made. They took some of their creations to Miss Potter which she approved!

Well done to our Stars of the Week and Team Player Penguins who received a certificate in our Celebration Assembly.



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Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is returning in the school library outside the hall on the week commencing **Monday 8th October**. This is a great opportunity for you to buy new books for your child and also help to raise funds for the school. On Monday and Wednesday during Parents Evening it will be open from 3.30-6.00pm and the other nights of the week from 3.30-4.00pm.

Private Fostering

Are you looking after someone else's child? Is your child living with another family? If the answer to either question is yes, and the arrangement is for 28 days or more, this is known as Private Fostering. If a child or young person under 16 years old (or 18 if they have a disability) is looked after by someone who is not a close relative, then by law Devon County Council need to be informed. When notified, we will work with the child, parents and private foster carers to ensure the best possible arrangements are in place for the child.

To tell us about a private fostering arrangement or if you are unsure if your situation is private fostering, please contact 0345 155 1071 or email: privatefostering@devon.gov.uk

Martial Arts

The Martial Arts showcase demonstrating what the children have been learning will be held in the school canteen on **Monday 8th October** (after school) and NOT in the School Hall as originally informed.

Reception Phonics Workshop

If you were unable to attend the "what to expect when" workshop there is another opportunity to find out how you can help your child at home to learn phonics which helps them to begin to read and write during their Reception Year. It will be held on **Tuesday 16th October at 2.45pm**.

School Photographer

The photographer will be coming to school on **Monday 5th November 2018**. All children in the school will be photographed individually and family photographs will take place after school. A separate letter will go out next week so please remember to complete the Reply Slip and return it to the class/office.

Allergies

Please remember that **chocolate** should not be part of your child's lunch box. We have a member of staff with an allergy to chocolate. Nuts are also **not allowed** on our school site due to a child having a life-threatening allergy.



Cooking Ingredients and Snack

Food Technology is an important part of our curriculum here at Ladysmith and we are fortunate to have a cookery room purpose built for the children.

We would be grateful for a donation to contribute towards the cost of cooking ingredients as set out below.

Reception: £5 per term please, to cover the cost of their Friday snack (toast and preserves) and cooking ingredients.

Year 1 and Year 2: £3 per term please, to cover the cost of cooking ingredients only.



Volunteers

We are very lucky to have amazing volunteers who have been giving up their time for a number of years to volunteer and support our children. We greatly value the difference that they make developing children's reading skills. We are looking for more parent volunteers across the school. If you have a morning or afternoon a week that you could commit to then we would love to hear from you. If you are interested and

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want to find out more please come to the office or speak to your class teacher. Once the DBS Form is completed you would then be able to enjoy going on school trips with your child as well as a parent helper.

Flu Vaccination

The nasal flu vaccine will be given on **Thursday 15th November 2018** to those children who hand in their consent form before the deadline. www.nhs.uk/vaccinations



The children's flu vaccine is offered as a yearly nasal spray to young children to help protect them against [flu](#).

How is the nasal spray flu vaccine given?

The vaccine is given as a single spray squirted up each nostril. Not only is it needle-free – a big advantage for children – the nasal spray is quick, painless, and works even better than the injected flu vaccine.

The vaccine is absorbed very quickly. It will still work even if, after the vaccination, your child develops a runny nose, sneezes or blows their nose.

Flu can be a very unpleasant illness for children, with potentially serious complications.

Ladysmith Federation SEND

‘Working Together Coffee Morning’

DATE: Tuesday 9th October 2018

TIME: 9.00am – 10.00 am

VENUE: Ladysmith Infant School – LINK ROOM

Come and join Helen Keenor, Louise Williams (SENDCos) and Lindsey Blackwell (FSW) for a coffee and a chat.

SAM HARRIS from CEDA – BISNET will also be in to meet with parents. He supports parents and runs parent training workshops which are designed to give time for parents and carers to share and explore their own challenges with others in similar situations; to develop further understanding of their child's behavioural support needs and explore and practise different techniques.



Half Term Holiday

22nd – 26th October 2018 (*inc.*)

Children return to school on Monday 29th October 2018.



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