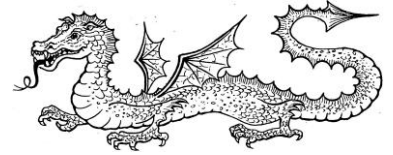


The Newsletter of Lady Bay Primary School
Growing together: caring for ourselves,
each other and the environment



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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for taking the time to read our school newsletter.

Be Ready – Assembly this week

We were delighted to invite Terry in for this week's assembly. Terry comes into school termly to talk to the children about our partner charity (The Guide Dogs). He always gives the children an update on what his life has been like recently and what he has been doing for the charity. Terry had been given a new Guide Dog recently but unfortunately it did not work out so he has to wait until next year to be given another one. Terry told the children about getting used to life without a dog (after having one for such a long period) and some of his struggles using a stick. It is always brilliant to have Terry in and the children love to see him. They always ask such respectful questions. The assembly reinforced the British Value of Mutual Respect and the Protected Characteristic of Disability.



Growing Together and Caring for each other – School Council members

A huge well done to the children who were elected class School Council members. The following children will work together to make positive changes in school –

Year 2 – Harry and Leah

Year 3 – Elodie and Suri

Year 4 – Rupert and Elodie

Year 5 – Florence and Toby

Year 6 – Oscar and Bayma

Oscar and Bayma will also have the opportunity to take part in Pupil Parliament too which is a fantastic termly event organised by the Local Authority in the Council Chambers.

Be Ready – Boys' Football Tournament

Well done to the boys who represented Lady Bay this week at the Autumn Tournament. It was another super, well-organised event. The boys got through the group on goal difference. They played Heyman in the semi-final. It was a very close game with Heyman scoring a fantastic goal in the last few minutes. An excellent effort from all the boys. Thank you to Mr Warren-Oliver for coaching the boys on the day.



Growing together – OPAL

We have had another great week of OPAL and we have been so lucky with the weather too. We are in the process of going through the applications for the job roles in school. We are hoping that we can set up the Play Leaders, Litter Pickers and Librarians as soon as possible so they can start their roles at lunchtime. Thank you to all those parents who supported their child during the application process.



If anyone has any suggestions on how we could keep improving OPAL, please email me directly on the email below. We are trying to ensure it keeps evolving to keep the children interested. We are still looking for donations of any wheeled items (scooters, skateboards etc..) if you have any.

Be Ready – Year 6 Dodgeball Festival

These ten Year 6 children represented our school at the dodgeball festival on Monday and did a fantastic job. They competed against teams from 4 other schools and won many of their matches. But more importantly, they thoroughly enjoyed the experience and their skills and tactics improved immensely as the tournament progressed. It was lovely to watch how they encouraged each other and thanked the other teams for the game at the end – great team spirit!



Be Ready – LA visit to EYFS

We had Liz, from the Local Authority, visit the EYFS team this week. She discussed with us our vision for EYFS, our curriculum, how we assess the children and the quality of teaching and learning. The visit was very positive. We await her report, but she stated that she was very happy with what she saw and the environment was very much conducive to learning. Well done to everyone in the foundation team. We look forward to showing all these positives to Ofsted when they visit.



Scan the QR code to pay for your books online
or visit bookfairs.scholastic.co.uk/pay

Reminder - Growing Together – Book Fair at Lady Bay

Please find attached information for the Book Fair at Lady Bay. The Fair is with us from Tuesday 6th – Monday 12th October. The Fair will be in the Lower School Hall each evening and will start straight after school finishes. You are welcome to make your way into the Lower School Hall to look at the books on offer. You can use the QR code to order books too.

Flu immunisations at school – 14th October

The NHS immunisation team will be in school on the afternoon of 14th October. Consent has to be given online, using the link that the NHS will be emailing out to all parents. They have had some delays with sending out the emails this year, but we expect you to receive them early next week. If you require more information about the immunisations please see the Health section under Parents on our school website. Most children receive a nasal puff immunisation, but you can opt for your child to receive an injection if they need this for medical / dietary reasons.

Reminder - Be Safe - Join the Lady Bay Smartphone-Free Childhood group!

We're inviting Lady Bay Primary parents and carers of all age groups to join our Smartphone-Free Childhood WhatsApp group. Within the group we share encouragement, ideas and useful resources to help delay smartphone use and protect our children's wellbeing.

Our shared goal is to make Lady Bay Primary a smartphone-free school, helping children enjoy a childhood free from online pressure and social media.

Join the WhatsApp group:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/BUAHRpstGXkJBXwJdzl9OX?s=hd&p=i&mlu=4&ilr=4>

Sign the pact:

<https://parentpact.app.smartphonefreechildhood.org>

Reminder - Growing Together – Children's Commissioner's survey

Dame Rachel de Souza emailed me this week to encourage as many children as possible to take part in the 'Big Future' survey. Please could you encourage/help your child take part in the survey. So far, fewer than 10 children have taken part and it is really important that our children's voices are heard when this survey is presented to Government. The link to the survey can be found here - <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigfuture>

Important dates for this term (these will be added to throughout the term) –

Monday 5th October – INSET day

Tuesday 13th October – Parents Evening – online booking

Wednesday 14th October – Flu Vaccinations

Parents Evening – online booking

Thursday 15th October – Year 2 Space Day & show to parents 2pm

Class 1FQ Parents Evening- online booking

Friday 16th October – Final day of Autumn 1 half term

Monday 2nd November – Autumn 2 half term begins

Tuesday 10th November – Year 5 WWII day

Thursday 12th November – Year 5 Holocaust Centre visitors in school

Friday 20th November – School Photographs (individuals and siblings)

Monday 16th – Anti-Bullying week

Friday 4th December – Year 6 Mayan Museum (PM and parents in school)

Tuesday 8th December – 3S last swimming session

Friday 11th December – Year 6 Cadbury World trip

Friday 11th December – Foundation Lakeside Theatre trip

Monday 14th December – INSET Day

Tuesday 15th December – 3C start swimming

Thursday 17th December – Year 1, 2 and 3 Panto trip (PM)

Friday 18th December – Last day of Autumn 2 half term

If you have any questions, or would like to offer any feedback, please email me on the following email

Thank you once again for your ongoing support – it truly makes a difference.

Kindest and warmest regards,

Steve Border

