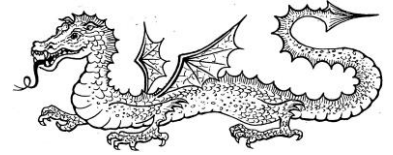


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The Newsletter of Lady Bay Primary School
Growing together: caring for ourselves,
each other and the environment

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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for taking the time to read our school newsletter. What a fantastic week! We have had so many enrichment opportunities and a fabulous celebration of all things science. I would like to thank all the parents (and volunteers) who came in this week to share their knowledge and expertise of the different strands of science.

Be Safe and Be Kind – Assembly this week

This week, all of our assemblies were focussed on National Science Week. We were so lucky to have so many parents and volunteers who were happy to come in and share their love of science. We had assemblies and workshops on a variety of different topics including: the brain, scientific curiosity, DNA, soil, Eye spy science – from vision to action, lights and lasers, robotics, what makes a good scientist and jet engines. It was incredible to see the effort the parents and volunteers put in to make their presentations engaging and I know all the children have had a super week. They have learnt how to observe, make predictions, carry out a scientific enquiry and to question what they think is true. I have shared a few photos below but we had hundreds from the week. Thank you to Mr. Warren-Oliver for his efforts in bringing science week to life. What an amazing week!



Growing together – OPAL

The handover has begun and we are looking forward to meeting next Tuesday to talk about plans for the future of OPAL. Both Sarah and Sabina have some super ideas which will no doubt add more to our lunchtime offering. I will update you further when we know how we are moving forward with OPAL. We are very excited about welcoming you in for a play morning next half term too.



We are still accepting any donations you may have. If you have any old suitcases, push chairs or any small world items, they would be gladly received.



Be Ready – Boys' and Girls' football

Well done to the girls' and boys' football teams who both played league matches at Radcliffe on Trent Juniors this week. The teams played two 25 minutes halves which counted for the home and away fixtures to ensure all the games get completed this year. The girls tried their absolute hardest but unfortunately lost both games. A special mention to Anushka who was outstanding in goal. The boys also played some excellent football, winning both of their games. This will hopefully set them up nicely for their

next week where they will be representing Notts County at a tournament.

Be Ready – Year 1 trip to Wagamama

It was great to hear how much the children in year 1 enjoyed the trip to Wagamama this week. The children attend the trip to support their understanding of where food comes from. The staff are always excellent and introduce the children to a range of foods that some have not seen before. All the children explored the different ingredients and tasted a few of them. They were then asked to choose which ingredients and which protein they wanted to add to their noodles and these were then cooked by the staff. A fun-filled morning and a superb way to engage and support the children's understanding of their topic.



Growing together – Multi-sports festival

Well done to the children who attended the multi-sports festival this week with Mrs Wells and Ms Davies. The children took part in a range of sports including basketball, bocca and football. The aim of the festival was to improve the children's skills in throwing, catching and passing. They all took part brilliantly and Mrs. Wells said that they represented the school really well. Well done to all those who attended.



Be Ready – Year 4 Roman Day

To support the year 4 children's understanding of the Romans, they took part in a Roman day this week. We invited in a history specialist who led the day. She brought in lots of Roman artefacts and the children learnt about life in Roman times. They learnt what it was like to be a Roman soldier and engaged in in-depth conversations about the benefits of the Roman army. It was a super day and a great way to bring history to life. Thank you to the year 4 team for organising it.

Caring for each other – Year 4 bake sale tomorrow

Joshua, Nancy and Martha are holding a charity cake sale tomorrow (Saturday 14th March) at 67 Rutland Road between 1 and 3pm. The sale is just in time to buy some Mother's Day treats and cards whilst supporting Nottinghamshire Hospice. Once again, our children are amazingly selfless, willing to give up their weekend in support of others. Good luck with the sale and please do support them if you can.

Growing together and Leadership – Eco Committee meeting

The Eco Committee met this week to discuss the projects they are taking part in this year. They felt that it was very important that we celebrate David Attenborough turning 100. The Eco Committee have created two competitions for the children to take part in. The first is creating an animal mask made from recycled materials. The second is a nature photography competition. The Eco Committee will be speaking to all the children in assembly next week to launch the competitions and also share the fact that they will be running a bake sale on Friday 8th May. More details to follow on this for parents. An excellent idea from the committee.

Be Ready – Year 6 girls' trip to Nottingham University

Last Friday, the girls in year 6 were invited to Nottingham University to celebrate the win of England Women's Rugby team in the World Cup. The girls found out about the World Cup trophy, its design process and the history of it. The girls also were able to take a photo with it. They then were treated to a rugby coaching session delivered by rugby playing students from Nottingham University. Another superb and unique experience given to our children.



Growing together – Communication with parents



Arbor

Thank you to all the parents who have downloaded the Arbor App – we use the app to send short messages to parents, and you can reply to us. Please help us by starting your reply with a word or short phrase that signposts to us what your reply is about. For example, if we've sent out a message requesting a parent helper for swimming, please reply: Swimming – I can help. Did you know that you can report your child's absence on the Arbor App?



ParentPay

For trips and activities we continue to use ParentPay – to email you out the details and for parent payments. Newsletters are also emailed out through ParentPay. Meal bookings and Wraparound Care bookings are also remaining on ParentPay.



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Communications/ photos with parents for Foundation and Year 1

Reminder - Growing together – Easter Egg competition

Don't forget to bring your eggs in on Tuesday (17th). Mrs. Wilson will be in school on Wednesday to judge the eggs and then the gate will be open at 3pm for parents to come and view the entries. The LBSA are busy working on a map for the Egg hunt, which will have 12 stops. Each stop will have a letter and the children will have to decipher the anagram. If you would like map, they will be available from the playground for £1 (coins only). When completed, the children can bring the maps back into school on Thursday or Friday, with the anagram solved, to collect a small prize.

Caring for each other - Down's Syndrome Awareness & Comic Relief – Friday 20th March



We invite all children to wear Odd Socks next Friday for Down's Syndrome Awareness Week, and as it is Comic Relief that day, the children can also wear red non-uniform clothes. PE lessons and swimming will continue as normal, so please ensure what your child wears is suitable.

If you would like to donate to Comic Relief, ParentPay have a fundraising page at <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=20922>

Reminder - Growing together – SEND coffee morning

Ms Baylis and I would also like to invite all parents of children with SEND or any parents interested in finding out more about what we do to support children with SEND to a coffee morning on Tuesday 24th March. This will start at 9am in the Diner. Ms Baylis and I will outline the provision we offer children in school and the types of adaptations we use in class to support children. It will also be an opportunity for you to ask us questions/give feedback too.

Caring for ourselves – Smartphone Free Childhood

Please see the message below from the Smartphone Free childhood group from Lady Bay:

Hello Everyone - Smartphone Free Childhood are hosting another digital Parent Talk in June and wanted to share the details. Whether you're curious to know what the movement is all about or you're already a SFC supporter and want to find out the latest news, then join our Nottingham wide parent talk. The talk will be 30 mins long with a time for Q&A at the end. You can register using this link https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/GLwfKIF2Qj2PC-oT_KAKWg

Important dates for Spring term –

Monday 16th March – Year 3 India Day

Wednesday 18th March – Balfour Beatty Bridge Project with year 4

Friday 20th March – Odd Socks Day (Downs Syndrome Awareness) & Comic Relief

Monday 23rd March – Year 2 trip to Beaumanor

Monday 23rd March – Foundation & 1FJ Parents' evening

Tuesday 24th March – Parents' evening

Tuesday 24th March – SEND coffee morning 9am

Wednesday 25th March – Parents' evening

Thursday 26th March – Year 1 visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park

Friday 27th March – Year 4 showcase of learning 2pm

Friday 27th March – Last day of Spring term

Monday 13th April – School re-opens for the Summer Term

If you have any questions, or would like to offer any feedback, please email me on the following email head@ladybay.notts.sch.uk

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

Kindest and warmest regards,

Steve Border

