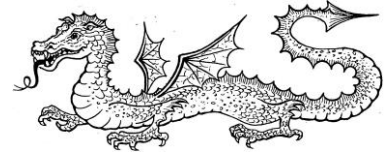


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The Newsletter of Lady Bay Primary School
Growing together: caring for ourselves,
each other and the environment



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Dear parents and carers,

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

Growing together – Assembly this week

It was our pleasure to invite Barney Corall in to talk to the children this week. Our assembly was linked to the protected characteristic of disability. Barney is an ex-pupil of Lady Bay who attended our school 15 years ago. Barney competes in the Paralympics and won medals at junior level. He has just had his senior call up so it is very exciting times for him and his family. He brought his medals in to show the children and they all were amazed by them. The children asked him some great questions and were all genuinely interested in his sporting success. Barney has cerebral palsy. He told the children about his struggles at school and how hard he found writing. It was a fantastic assembly and one that showed the children a real-life example of someone who is really successful who was sitting in their seats 15 years ago. A year 6 child said, “Barney is an inspiration because he kept going and trying hard even though he had a disability.”



Be Ready – Girls’ Notts County tournament

Thank you to Mrs. Hewitt for taking the girls to the Notts County tournament this week and to the parents who were able to take them and stay to watch. The girls played with a superb attitude throughout the tournament. The girls won 2 games, drew 2 games and lost 1 game. They ended up 5th overall so they just missed the chance to progress to the semi-finals. They all finished the day with a smile on their faces and thoroughly enjoyed the day. Well done girls.

Growing together – OPAL

We have had another week of very wet weather at lunchtime. The children have all been fantastic and have not let it dampen their spirits. They were all a little wet on Thursday but still had a super time. We are very grateful to Nicky and Thea from the church who come to volunteer every Wednesday at school. Their support during OPAL has been fantastic.



I have included a picture of the hockey this week. Each day, we have a different game on part of the upper school playground. Hockey is a firm favourite.

We are still accepting any donations you may have. Please do send in any unwanted small world items, suitcases, pushchairs and scooters or other wheeled toys.

Be Ready – Year 4 tennis

The year 4 children were really happy this week as they were finally able to attend their first tennis session of the year. Rain has halted play for the previous two weeks but this week the weather held for them. They all thoroughly enjoyed the session. It is part of our unique offering that all children from year 1 – 6 have a half term of tennis coaching and one that the children thoroughly enjoy. Thank you to Carol and her team for continuing to support us in delivering this.



Be Ready – Year 5 and 6 Futsal festival

Mrs Latham took a mixture of year 5 and 6 girls to a Futsal festival this week. Festivals are a great way to develop skills in a non-competitive setting and an opportunity just to enjoy sport. Lots of the girls had not played Futsal before and they all thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. Latham wanted to pass on her thanks as the girls all tried their hardest and their behaviour was excellent. They were a credit to Lady Bay. Well done girls

Growing together – Results last year

In case you had not seen, Nottingham World shared a story of the top 15 Primary schools in the whole of Nottinghamshire based on last year's Key Stage 2 results. Fantastic to see Lady Bay on the list and reflects the hard work and dedication of everyone who works with our children. I have included the link below -

<https://www.nottinghamworld.com/education/the-15-best-nottinghamshire-primary-schools-based-on-performance-as-2026-application-deadline-looms-5476342>

Important dates for Spring term –

Wednesday 4th February – Year 6 Gurdwara visit

Friday 6th February – Disco date

Tuesday 10th February – Young Voices

Wednesday 11th February – Year 3 showcase of learning (2.30pm at All Hallows)

Monday 23rd February – INSET day

Monday 2nd March – 5-year-old dental survey

Monday 2nd March – School council

Wednesday 4th March – Year 5 trip to National Space Centre

Thursday 5th March – World Book day

Monday 9th March – Science week (visits from parents)

Tuesday 10th March – Year 4 Roman Day

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)

Monday 23rd March – Year 2 trip to Beaumanor

Monday 23rd March – Foundation Parents' evening

Tuesday 24th March – Parents' evening

Wednesday 25th March – Parents' evening

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

Friday 27th March – Last day of Spring 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

