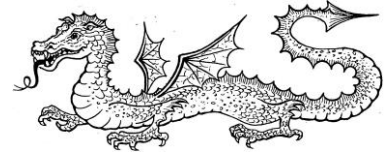


# LADY BAY FOCUS

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. Welcome back, we all hope you had a lovely half term. It has been so lovely to hear all about what the children did over the holidays and some of the amazing experiences they have had. We are all looking forward to another fantastic half term at Lady Bay.

## **Be Safe and Be Kind – Assembly this week**

This week, we focussed our assemblies on OPAL play and reminding the children about the OPAL charter and how we can work together to make OPAL successful at lunchtime. We reminded the children about the school values (Be Safe, Be Kind, Be Ready) and how we can show these during OPAL. We talked about risk management and asked the children to recall the rules when building to ensure they manage risk effectively. This assembly linked to the British Values of mutual respect and tolerance.

## **Growing together – Spanish Ambassadors**

As part of the children's leadership opportunities in school, children in year 6 can apply to become a Spanish Ambassador. Spanish teaching (with Senora Lopez) starts in year 3. However, we start the children off in year 1 and 2 being taught by our Spanish Ambassadors. Senora Lopez meets with the Ambassadors weekly to plan the activities which the Ambassadors then deliver to the Key Stage 1 children. This week, they were learning about the colours. A really fantastic enrichment and leadership opportunity and another part of our unique and bespoke curriculum offering.



## **Be Ready – Sportshall Athletics final**

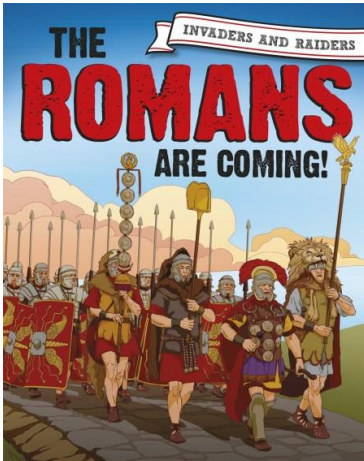
Well done to the 10 children from year 6 who represented Lady Bay at the Sportshall Athletics this week. It is a competitive event which followed on from the heats last month. The children took part in a mixture of track and field events and points were awarded for positions in each one. We just missed out on a medal by 4 points, finishing fourth. An excellent effort from all the children. Thank you to Mr Oliver for supporting the event and to all the parents who were able to take the children to the final.

## Growing together – OPAL

We are very much looking forward to the weather improving and having even more fun at lunchtimes. We have recently added an area where the children can make an obstacle course and we are looking forward to the arrival of the sand pit. OPAL leadership will be changing soon and we will ensure Mr Dearnley has time to work with the new leader to ensure a smooth transition.



**We are still accepting any donations you may have.**



## Be Ready – Year 4 showcase of learning

As you will be aware and as part of our bespoke offering, we ensure every child has the opportunity to perform/present something to their parents. This half term, it is the children in year 4 who will be performing their showcase of learning. They are really excited as they have a new Roman showcase to present to the year 4 parents. The showcase of learning will be performed at the All Hallows church in the afternoon on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March (time to be confirmed). Very exciting.

## Growing together – year 4 times tables meeting

I am hoping that the parents in year received their invitation to the times tables meeting which is next Tuesday. The meeting with is at 4pm in 4W. I will be there with the year 4 team to give you details about the times tables check and what you can do to help support your child before June. Please could as many parents of children in year 4 as possible be present as it is a really important meeting outlining what the check entails. I look forward to seeing you there.

## My Multiplication Chart 1-12

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11	11	22	33	44	55	66	77	88	99	110	121	132
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## Curriculum leaders

Thank you to the curriculum leaders for their efforts this week. The children undertook a learning walk with Mrs Keane to look at the curriculum across the school and find out what was working well in classrooms. Alfie, Charlotte and Izzy really enjoyed the walk and they are already having a good input on what can be improved at school. Well done team.

## Growing together - Reading at Lady Bay

We are in the process of changing the way we assess the children's reading levels. We are starting to use the Big Cat reading assessments which will tie in completely with the books we have in school. We are also delighted to say that the books in Key Stage 2 have now arrived. These will more accurately link to the children's reading level. Thank you again to the Co-op and the member of the Lady Bay community who had the LBSA as their chosen charity.



## Caring for each other – Charity Bake

Amelie, Anouk and Connie have spent a long time planning a charity cake and bracelet stall, choosing to donate all proceeds to the RSPCA animal centre in Radcliffe.

After weeks of preparation — making bracelets, planning their bakes and spending a fun afternoon baking together — the girls raised an amazing £180 on the day. Every penny will be donated to the RSPCA to help support the animals in their care.

It was wonderful to see so many friends and children from Lady Bay come along to support them and make donations. A thank you also goes to Issac and Thea for

their help, and to Mabel for kindly donating her handmade scrunchies to sell. Well done to the girls, an excellent effort.

## Reminder - Growing together – Easter Egg competition

We are very excited to announce the return of the Easter Egg competition this year. You should have received the letter today via ParentPay. Your children are invited to create a scene including an egg and winners will be chosen from each year group. Please be as creative as possible. We always have some excellent designs and I am looking forward to seeing what everyone produces this year. Children need to bring their designs in on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March. Parents are invited to come and look around the entries on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March at 3pm. Winners will be announced on that day. We are hoping to create an Easter Egg hunt around Lady Bay too for you and your children to enjoy. More details will be sent soon.



## Reminder - Growing Together – Dyslexia awareness

Please see the training event below for understanding Dyslexia and Supporting your child moving to Secondary School –

Training Events:

NOTTS PARENT EVENT: Understanding Dyslexia and Supporting at Home: 5th March 4.30pm TEAMS

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/notts-parent-event-understanding-dyslexia-and-supporting-at-home-tickets-1098890774889>

NOTTS PARENT EVENT: Supporting your Child as they Move to Secondary School.

Wednesday 26th February 9.30am TEAMS <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/notts-parent-event-supporting-your-child-as-they-move-to-secondary-school-tickets-1098781608369>

## Smartphone Free Childhood

At SFC we have found a path that works for many families and want to share it for those asking the question of 'what and when'. This week it's for our younger children/pre teens.

Here is a link to the page with recommended 'simple' or 'first' phones that may be suitable.

<https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org/alternatives>

### Important dates for Spring 2 term –

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – 5-year-old dental survey  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – School council 3.25 – 4.15pm  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Foundation classes visit the library  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March – Year 4 times tables meeting 4pm  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 trip to National Space Centre  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – World Book Day  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March – Science week (visits from parents)  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> March – Year 4 Roman Day  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March - 1FJ to Wagamama's  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March – 1H to Wagamama's  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 India Day  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Easter Egg competition entries into school  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Balfour Beatty Bridge Project with year 4  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March – from 3pm Parents invited to view Easter Eggs  
Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March – Odd Socks Day (Downs Syndrome Awareness)  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Year 2 trip to Beaumanor  
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – Foundation and 1FJ Parents' evening  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March – Parents' evening Year 1 – Year 6  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Parents' evening (all classes except 1FJ)  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Year 1 visit to Yorkshire Wildlife Park  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Year 4 showcase of learning (pm)  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – Last day of Spring term  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – School re-opens for 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](mailto:head@ladybay.notts.sch.uk)

Thank you once again for your ongoing support – it truly makes a difference.  
Kindest and warmest regards,

Steve Border

