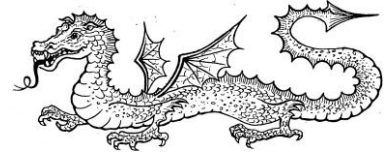


# LADY BAY FOCUS

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. I cannot believe we have reached the end of term. It has been a brilliant term, packed full of hard work and fun. We have had so many exciting enrichment opportunities happening in school this week to share with you.

## Be Ready – Assembly this week

This week, we invited Nikki and Thea from All Hallows Church to talk to the children. They shared with the children why Easter is important to Christians and why people give things up for Lent. They told the children the story of Easter and explained why giving is important at this time of the year. It is always great to have Nikki and Thea in school to talk to the children and it also reinforced their understanding of the protected characteristic of religion and the British Value of tolerance.



## Be Ready – Boys' County Cup match

A huge well done to the boys' football team this week. They continued their unbeaten run in the County Cup. They played a very good team from Edwalton Primary School. It was a very physical and cagey match but the boys deserved the victory. The final score was 5-3. The boys progress to the semi-final of the County Cup. We are all hoping they can go one better than last year and win the competition. Thank you to the parents who were there to support the boys and also took them to the game.

## Growing together – OPAL

We reach the end of another term of OPAL. We are happy that we have the sand pit onsite and are awaiting the cover so we can order the sand. We have met as a new OPAL team and are pleased that Sabina and Sarah are adding their ideas to make OPAL even better. Sarah has been working hard trying to secure more funding so we can get more to play with. We are excited to invite you in for the parent play day next half term so you can see what OPAL looks like when the children are playing.



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

## Growing together – Adbolton win the Dragon Reward

Well done to all the children from Adbolton house for collecting the most Dragon's Gold this half term. The children received a fantastic treat this week. We invited in Claire and her friends to meet the children. The children met Shelley the tortoise and learnt about the difference between turtles and tortoises. They met Zeus the python. Zeus was shedding his skin which the children found fascinating. They all loved holding him too. The children also met an African snail, a hissing cockroach and a millipede who was fond of pooing on their hands. A super afternoon and a great Dragon Reward. Thank you, Mrs Keane, for organising.



## Be Ready – Year 2 trip to Beaumanor

The children in year 2 had a fantastic trip to Beaumanor this week. They all dressed in their best pirate outfits for the visit. The children had to follow the maps to find treasure, solved pirate problems as a team and thoroughly enjoyed their day. What a lovely way to support their topic. Thank you to the year 2 team for organising and dressing up too, and thank you to the parent helpers as well.



### **Be Ready – Year 4 Showcase of Learning**

Well done to the children in Year 4 who performed an amazing Showcase of Learning this afternoon. The children showed what they had learnt about the Romans. It was a really informative showcase, with fantastic singing and acting throughout. Well done to all the children for learning their lines. Thank you to Nikki and the church for allowing us to perform at the church. Thanks to the parents for the super outfits and for helping the children learn their lines. Thank you to the staff and the children for their hard work too. Well done to the year 4 team for an excellent showcase.



### **Be Ready – Year 1 trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park**

To support their topic on Animals, the children in year 1 visited the Yorkshire Wildlife Park yesterday and what an incredible day it was. The Year 1 children enjoyed a fabulous day out! The sun was shining and all the animals came out to enjoy the sunshine. We were so lucky. The children managed to control their escalating excitement levels whilst seeing Polar Bears, Leopards, Giraffes and Lions very close up! We even got to enjoy seeing a baby Wallaby in the mother's pouch.

It was rewarding to see all the children enjoying the day and observe their facial expressions as they bravely touched a Corn Snake, held a Hissing Cockroach and a Giant Snail. The behaviour of all the children was fantastic and they can be very proud of themselves. Thank you children for your smiles, interesting contributions to discussions on different animals and your positivity throughout the day! We are looking forward to our next trip already!



### **Growing together – SEND coffee morning**

Thank you so much to all the parents who were able to attend the SEND coffee morning. We used the meeting to share with parents our new support plans and what parents of a child with a special educational need can expect at Lady Bay Primary School. We explained how we teach children with SEND and what adaptations look like in the classroom. We explained the bid process and how we acquire funding for children and what evidence is needed to become a funded child. We also took questions from parents. It was a really good meeting and we are looking to form a SEND working group next term. I will come back to you with more information when we return from Easter. Please find attached to the newsletter an invitation to a workshop for parents of children with autism.

### **Growing together – Year 3 homework**

The year 3 team were blown away by the quality of the homework this week. There was a superb mix of PowerPoint presentations, posters, models and information about different volcanoes from around the world. The children clearly worked incredibly hard on these at home and it really reinforced their understanding of their geography topic. Thank you to all the parents who supported their children with these amazing pieces of work.



### **Growing together – Parents' evening**

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend parents evening this week. It was great to see so many parents in school. The staff found the meetings really useful and we enjoyed sharing how well your children are doing at Lady Bay. Please do contact the class teacher or myself at the earliest point possible if you have any concerns about your child.

### **Growing together – PJ day for the reading reward**

It was great to see the majority of children wearing their pyjamas today (yesterday for Year 4). The children have worked incredibly hard to read lots at home. Every read has been tracked by the class teachers and to reach their goal, every child needed to read at least 4 times per week. This has really engaged the children with their reading. Thank you to Mrs. James for organising and for raising the profile of reading in school.



## **Support school when you buy online from Sainsburys or Argos**

Please see the attached msf flyer – if you buy online from either of these two stores, by registering with My School Fund you can earn rewards for yourselves and for school. School is then able to purchase items from Argos for free – items we have bought so far include resources for Dragons After School Club, mugs and cutlery for the staffroom, rails and hangers for pre-loved uniform.

## **School Meals – new menu starts after Easter**

The new school menu was emailed out earlier this week, and is available to view on the school website.

## **Holiday activities**

If you're looking for local holiday activities please go to the Clubs page on the school website and scroll down [School Clubs | Lady Bay Primary School](#). There are Easter activities and other clubs for weekends and after school. We are hosting a Clay Creators holiday club at school over the Easter Holidays – there are a few places left if you wish to book, go to [Clay Creators - We learn and play with clay!](#) You can also book your child onto their After School Club, which will start on Wednesdays after school.

Important dates for Summer term (these will likely be added to) –

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – First day of Summer term  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April – Photo day for our new website  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April – Year 4 trip to the Mosque  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Year 2 trip to NTU – science workshops  
Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April – Year 5 and 6 girls' football tournament  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April – Foundation trip to Manor Farm  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April – Year 5 visit to an eco house  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April – School council after school  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April – Year 3 and 4 hockey festival (selected by staff)  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> April – Year 4 residential  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – Year 5 Veolia trip  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April – Year 5 and 6 Boys' football tournament  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April – Year 5 Showcase of Learning (am)  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April – Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 OPAL play morning  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Year 3-6 OPAL play morning  
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May – Height and weight check (foundation and year 6)  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Year 1 Warwick Castle trip  
Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs week  
Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May – Year 2 music sessions start (Bright Time)  
Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May – Lady Bay Arts Festival  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 cycle training starts  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – End of summer 1 term

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June – Summer 2 term starts  
Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June – School council meeting  
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June – class and team photos  
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June – Year 6 residential  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June – Sue Hendra visit to year 1 (Bright Time)  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Year 3 trip to the Hindu Temple  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June – Selected year 1 and 2 All Stars Cricket to Trent Bridge (Flag bearing)  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – Summer Fair (details TBC)  
Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July – Wellness Week

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July – Year 6 Leaver's performance  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Spanish Café  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Year 5 STEM day at Rushcliffe

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. We hope you have a lovely Easter holiday and look forward to seeing you on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April

Kindest and warmest regards,

Steve Border

