

Low Ash Primary School

March 2017 Newsletter

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Sports News

Our excellent year for sporting success continues. Following on from our successes in the first half of the school year, we now say 'congratulations' to the **Low Ash Swimming Team**.



The team swam really well and finished 3rd in the final of the Primary Schools Gala last Saturday at Shipley Swimming Pool - this is our highest ever position, so well done to the team.

The **Low Ash Under 11 Rugby Team** were crowned North Bradford champions after winning every game in their league and play-off games.



They will now compete in the Bradford Finals in May or June.

Finally, two 'well dones' also go to our **cross country runners** who competed so well at the West Yorkshire Cross Country Finals and our **Under 11 Athletics Team**, who finished a very creditable 8th in the West Yorkshire Athletics Finals held in Huddersfield.



Parent Consultation Evening

Thank you for supporting the school so well at the recent Parent Consultation Evenings. Attendance was, yet again, very good and many positive comments were passed on. A strong partnership between school and parents/carers is so important. If you couldn't make it, please contact school or your child's teacher to arrange an appointment.

E-Safety Workshop

The Cyber Safe Team from West Yorkshire Police were in school this week leading workshops for Year 5 and Year 6 children. Information regarding different cybercrimes and staying cyber safe were covered. 'Top Tips' referring to cybercrime can be found on our website. Staying cyber safe is an important element of our curriculum.



Local Community News

Following the decision by the Wrose Bull Pub to chain off their car park each morning, I alerted local councillors to the increased parking problems parents were having. To try and alleviate the issue, an arrangement has been made with **Highcroft Youth Centre**. Mr Byrne (School Site Manager) now unlocks the Youth Centre car park barrier each morning so parents can use the car park. Approximately 15 spaces are available.

Rainbows (5 to 7 years), and Brownies (7 to 10 years)

– Emily Partridge, one of our Year 5 pupils, asked if we could help as the number of children attending Rainbows and Brownies is falling locally. If you are interested please log on to www.girlguiding.org.uk for more information.



'Made in Leeds' Visit Low Ash

The TV channel 'Made in Leeds' interviewed some of our children following the school's work with author E Rachel Hardcastle. Information about the interviews can be viewed on our website home page under 'Latest News' or by searching 'Made in Leeds'.

Bradford Festival of Talent

Bradford schools were asked to put forward names of children who had a special talent for the annual festival. Low Ash put forward six children who we thought were excellent singers or dancers. Five of them managed to get to the final, which was fantastic. One of the judges even asked if we were a performing arts school!

All of the children can be extremely proud of themselves for entering or reaching the final. However, a special 'well done' must go to Antoni Modlinski who managed to finish an amazing 2nd – well done!



Investors in Pupils Award



Following our recent reassessment,

Low Ash has, once again, been awarded 'Investors in Pupils' status. Investors in Pupils is a programme which is very highly valued within schools. It is built on the principle of valuing pupils' views and opinions and giving them a voice in the running of the school. Attendance, behaviour, classroom management, learning and induction of people new to school are the areas considered by the assessors.

Safety Reminder for Years 5 and 6 Parents

As we get towards the end of the year, please let us know if you want your child to leave school by themselves rather than being picked up. Becoming more independent is important, particularly if children are moving on to secondary school. However, good communication is essential if children are to walk home safely, so please let us know.

Important Dates Coming Up

Wednesday 5th April at 6.30pm	Year 3 and 4 Performance to Parents
Friday 7th April	School Closes for Easter
Monday 24th April	School Re-opens after Easter

Happy Easter

Finally, I would like to wish children, parents/carers, and the community a Happy Easter, when it comes. Whether you are staying in England or holidaying abroad, I hope the sun shines and you all have a great holiday!

Thank you for your continued support - it is really appreciated.

Terry Woollin
Headteacher

