

The Newsletter of Goosewell Primary Academy

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Year Group News

Reception 'Whatever Next' by Jill Murphy forms the inspiration for the next 2 weeks of learning in Reception. Next week we will begin by using our imaginations to find ways of using boxes - what can we make from a box? We look forward to the stories and fun that will result. We will also be using 2D shapes to create rocket and moon pictures, naming and describing properties of shapes as we work. In Science, we will have an ongoing mini project about owls - the various breeds, life cycle and appearance. Enhanced activity will include working with part/part/whole models to consolidate the children's concept of combining amounts to create a total and the conservation of number. We would like to thank those parents who are embracing our weekly ' Foundation five' activities. It is so wonderful for us to see the learning that goes on beyond the school gate.

Year 1 Next week in Year 1, in our English lessons, we will be reading Sally and the Limpet by Simon James and writing recounts. We will look at recounts and get to grips with what makes a good one and then we will have a go at writing our own. In Maths, we will be consolidating counting in 2s and 5s, forwards and backwards within 50. We will be continuing looking for and noticing patterns that help us find answers. We will be welcoming the Wembury Rock Pooling Rangers into school who are going to tell us all about the treasures that can be found at Wembury Beach. As always, please keep going with the reading and spelling practise and remember those RWI phonic packs on the right days. Please remember that even though your child only changes their books once or twice a week now, they should be reading both books EVERY day at home. This is to increase their reading confidence, fluency and use of expression.

Year 2 We are very excited that Wembury Marine Centre will be visiting next week as part of our Beachcomber topic. The children will be learning the names of rock pool creatures and learning the rules for safe rock pooling. In Maths we will be moving on to fractions, finding equal parts and recognising halves and quarters of shapes and numbers. We will be continuing to use The Snail and the Whale for our writing stimulus and learning how to write an informal letter about ocean pollution. For DT, we will be making 3D seagulls that we hope we can suspend from our classroom ceilings! Finally, we will be starting our final 2 week reading text block for this term...another gem by Julia Donaldson! Can you guess which one?

Year 3 We have enjoyed making more treats this week - our clay sweets look delicious however we don't think they will taste too good! We are looking forward to painting them over the next few weeks. Next week, we will begin looking at measures in Maths, thinking about measuring the lengths of different objects using a variety of equipment. We will then move on to converting mm to cm and cm to m. Our focus within reading will be on our 'Cracking Comprehension' tasks which allow us to develop our ability to answer comprehension questions in detail. We will also be making our own bouncy eggs!

Year 4 In English, Year 4 will be using their poetic skills to describe the environment within mountain ranges. They will look at poems by established poets and use this to inspire ideas of their own. The children will then be introduced to calligrams and consider the actual shape that a poem can form. In Maths, the pupils will continue to work on decimals. They will apply their place value skills to decimals as well as position decimal fractions on a number line. The children will then proceed to divide a one digit number by ten, therefore forming a decimal quotient. Year 4 will continue to look at mountains around the world and consider how these regions can be linked to the water cycle. The children will then discuss perspective and mountain form through some art work.

Year 5 Last week, we were very excited to announce Timo (5C) as our first Y5 member of the Millionaire's Club and we look forward to seeing who will be next. The current word count for each class is as follows: 5C - 6,323,321 5S - 4,165,900 5T - 3,437,175. This week, the children have been writing their own stories in the style of The Secret Garden. Can your child share the plot of their story with you? In our topic learning, we have been finding out which vegetables need to be planted at different times throughout the year. We hope that you enjoy celebrating your child's achievements so far this year, as outlined in their progress report, and we look forward to the children taking on board any advice given for improvements throughout the summer term.

Year 6 Next week, we will continue with our ratio learning in Maths. In English we will plan and write our balanced arguments related to our class text 'Pig Heart Boy'.

Next week's virtue is......

The practice of keeping yourself and your surroundings clean.

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Having had a parents' evening in the autumn term, there will be another parents' evening in the summer term on the 23rd and 25th of June. Booking appointments, through the school website, will be available closer to the time. Together with the Annual Progress Reports sent home today, we very much hope that these three opportunities, for in-depth feedback, will help us to continue to work together to ensure your child receives the best educational experience possible.

	Behaviour Policy Goosewell's Behaviour and Exclusion Policy is available on the school website. You are	
	encouraged to read this and share it with your children: Behaviour and Exclusion Policy	
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Congratulations to Mrs Kimberlee in 1/2KH who has recently successfully completed her 'Trauma Informed Schools' training, passing it with a fantastic Distinction. A big thank you to Mrs Kimberlee for completing this complex course for the benefit of our Goosewell children.

Contact Details

It is important that we have up to date contact details for all of our families, particularly at present whilst we are receiving daily updates from Public Health England regarding the Coronavirus. Please contact the school office on 482960 or admin@goosewell.plymouth.sch.uk to update all or any of your details.



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Plymouth College Preparatory School PL1 3JB Multi-Activity Camp Mon 30th March - Fri 3rd April Mon 6th - Thurs 9th April

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Ages 6-12 (Splash Swimming Session in Plymouth College included)

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> **Standard Day £16.00** 9:00am - 4:00pm **Half Day £9.00** 9:00am - 1:00pm

Ages 4-12 (4 year olds can only attend half day sessions)

PLYMPTO

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Ages 4-12 (4 year olds can only attend half day sessions)

TOTNES

Dartington Primary School TQ9 6JU Multi-Activity Camp Tues 31st March - Fri 3rd April Tues 7th - Thurs 9th April

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*Four year olds are only able to attend half days at Ofsted registered years



The Creation Station will be returning for a second afterschool club after the Easter break. The booking window is now open and bookings can be made directly with Kelly from The Creation Station here

