



Year Group News

Foundation Stage Our return from the Christmas holidays began with an exciting trip to the theatre to see 'The Elves and the Shoemaker'. We have returned to school and used this trip as inspiration for our learning through play, with activities such as exploration of various fastenings for shoes, looking at size, shape and design and writing messages for cheeky little elves, who may even send us a response!

Year 1 We have launched the New Year with our brand new topic – Towers, Tunnels and Turrets. We will begin with a focus on Castles. In English, the children will be exploring non-chronological reports and will begin to research exciting facts about parts of a castle. In Phonics, children will be introduced to the new reading books that came home at the end of last week. In Maths, we will be starting a new unit on place value to 20 and focusing on our teen numbers and how they are made of tens and ones.

Year 2 Year 2 will be launching fully into their Towers, Tunnels and Turrets topic through a science investigation of building and measuring towers made out of sugar cubes! They will also be story mapping and making up their own fairytales based on the traditional tale of Rapunzel in English and making predictions and their own story ending for Anthony Browne's book, The Tunnel. In computing next week, Year 2 will be designing and drawing their own castles. We will be revising Year 2 and Year 1 Common Exception Word spellings and continuing our learning in multiplication in Maths, moving on from making equal groups, to use the symbol and using arrays to solve calculations.

Year 3 Happy New Year! We are pleased the children have returned from a well rested Christmas and have been ready to approach all of their learning with enthusiasm. We have begun to look at our new class text, The Firework Maker's Daughter by Phillip Pullman and have been rehearsing sections of the story to prepare us for writing our class versions next week. In Maths, we have been looking at multiplication and division and over the next few weeks, we will be refining our skills to use the standard written methods for both operations. Our reading text for the next two weeks is 'The Pebble in my Pocket' which links to our topic this term - Tremors - within which we will be focusing on rocks, volcanoes and earthquakes.

Year 4 Having learnt about the importance of keeping teeth clean, next week we will be investigating the effects of different liquids on enamel. In English we will be beginning our Leaflets, persuading other children to keep their teeth healthy. In Maths, we will be using our knowledge of written methods for multiplication to understand division and correspondence problems. In PE, we will continue developing dynamic balance skills.

Year 5 Year 5 have had a fantastic start to the New Year! On Monday, we had our first Move and Learn session with Plymouth Argyle, which the children really enjoyed. We have some classroom time, where the children learn about the importance of physical activity and healthy eating, followed by a practical session. This term, it is also Year 5's opportunity to participate in Outdoor Learning. The weather this week has not stopped 5C from enjoying their sessions outside! In Maths, the children have been learning how to use short multiplication, which has involved being able to recall multiplication facts quickly. Please support your child at home by asking quick fire questions or encouraging the use of Times Table Rockstars. In English, we have used Tom's Midnight Garden as our model text in order to plan and write our own fantasy stories.

Year 6 Next week, Year 6 will continue their English learning linked to the book 'Sky Hawk' by Gill Lewis. After immersing themselves in the text this week, they will explore the grammatical features of this text, building up to writing their own narratives. In Maths, Year 6 have been learning about decimals. Next week, they will link their previous fraction learning and convert between decimals and fractions. Our topic 'Darwin Delights', will see the children use their geographical skills to follow the route of the HMS Beagle.

Next week's virtue is.....

Compassion

Sympathetic consciousness of others' distress together with a desire to alleviate it.



Service Families

As a school, we are very aware that there is a possibility of quick deployments for service personnel due to the current political climate. In order to monitor and support our pupils needs where required, could you please inform class teachers and the PSA if a parent has been deployed. A reminder that Jo Penk runs a 'Keeping in Touch Club' which takes place in the Jubilee Room each Wednesday at 1pm. This is a drop-in and is available for all year groups. If you feel your child needs more individual support please contact the PSA who will be able to talk options through.



Please update your GP details

If you have been affected by the recent closure of Barton Surgery in Plymstock, could you please update the school office with details of any new GP and Surgeries to enable us to amend our records for your child.



Sports Clubs News

*****LAUNCHING MONDAY***BOOKING NOW OPEN***LAUNCHING MONDAY***BOOKING NOW OPEN***LAUNCHING MONDAY*****

Bookings are now open for our brand new 'Sports Clubs' timetable which will be run by Premier Education. These clubs will be run alongside our existing Tag Rugby and Running clubs. Premier Education are dedicated to improving the health and wellbeing of children through physical activity. They employ skilled activity professionals that are fully trained and offer a wealth of experience and passion to inspire children in sport.

This is an initial club timetable but we hope to expand the range of clubs available, it will adapt and change with the need/desire of Goosewell's children. We are so excited about this venture, we are positive that Goosewell will love the new opportunities.

Breakfast Multiskills (8.00 - 8.45am)

KS1 - **Monday**

KS2 - **Tuesday and Friday**

Afterschool clubs: (3.20 - 4.20pm)

KS1 and KS2 Gymnastics Club - **Monday**

KS2 Football Club - **Tuesday**

KS1 and KS2 Dance Club - **Friday**

20 places per club - £3 a session when booked in blocks of 5.

To book, please go <https://www.premier-education.com/> and click on 'Book a Course', then pay via your child's Schoolmoney account to secure their place. Booking are on a first paid, first served basis. All Premier clubs start week commencing 20/01/20.



Premier



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Reception, Y1 and Y2 Parents/Carers - Read, Write Inc.

Read Write Inc. Phonics

As you are all aware, we are all now learning to read by using the Read Write Inc. (RWI) scheme. Your child brought home a clear, zippy wallet containing either a ditty on a sheet of paper or a RWI book. Some children would have had a book bag book as well and all children would have had a picture book from the book corner.

Most groups would have had this on Tuesday this week and were asked to return this pack today (Friday). Sadly, many children have not brought this pack into school. Some children (Mrs Kimberlee's - yellow group) did this on Thursday and are not due to return their pack until next Thursday.

I am sure you can appreciate the cost of these books and the effort to which the teachers are making to help your child to read. We desperately need your help and support to make this system work. Please ensure your child has this pack on the correct day so that we can move them forwards.

Some Year 2 children are not a part of the RWI scheme as they have been assessed as not requiring this so they won't have the RWI clear wallets. Please ignore this message if this is your child.

On another note, we also require your help with sending in their reading diary every week (each class has a different day so check with the teacher if you are unsure). These are checked by us and we keep a note of how children are getting on with their reading at home. This support is crucial to your child's reading ability and we ask that you aim to read every night if at all possible. It really does make a difference to their reading confidence. It's the same with homework, please help your child complete this each week and send it in on the correct day.

It's sad to see so many children across Reception and KS1 without the correct equipment. They need your help and support.

Thanking you in anticipation,

Mrs K Hilton (Reading lead support)



★ Pupil Successes

★ A very big well done to Lydia 1B who has achieved her 200m Rainbow Swimming Distance award. A big well done too to Eli 1/2KH for achieving his 400m Rainbow Swimming Distance award.



Congratulations too to Daisy 6WT for achieving 84/100 (a Distinction) in her recent LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) exam.



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A TASTE OF ASIA
CHINESE NEW YEAR LUNCH
MONDAY 27th JANUARY
 CHICKEN CHOW MEIN OR SWEET AND SOUR VEGETABLES WITH VEGETABLE SPRING ROLLS AND EGG FRIED RICE.

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For all enquiries please contact
 Jo Jackson 01752 245581 or
Jo.jacko44@gmail.com

Entry forms are available from all schools, The Plymouth Life Centre, or online from the Plymouth and District Badminton Website,

Sunday, 9th February 2020
From 9.00am
At the Plymouth Life Centre
Central Park, Plymouth

Parent Support Adviser News from Jo Penk

Don't forget to look at the PSA section of the Goosewell Academy website, for information on clubs, support and activities for families throughout the year. You can find further details by clicking here [PSA](#)



Are you a parent or carer who has a child or teenager who is experiencing anxiety? Would it be helpful to you to have an opportunity to share concerns and talk about your child or teenager, and the issues and problems. We can also think together about strategies you are using to enable you to feel more confident and supported. The Hub are currently offering one hour 1:1 sessions from 10am - 11am on Tuesday mornings during term time this January and February, with an optional follow up appointment. We currently have dates available. For further information or to book a session please email

naomi@naominightingale.co.uk

**Do you like to sing? Do you like to have fun with friends?
Is someone in your family in the Armed Forces or a Veteran?**

Come and join **The Military Kids Choir**



The Military Kids Choir is part of MKC Heroes. We meet on Wednesdays, in Plymouth Guildhall, from 5pm to 5.45pm, to sing together and have fun as a team. We perform at events all over Plymouth and help charities to raise money, especially the Royal British Legion. The choir is free to join and parents/carers can drop you off for practices or can stay for tea or coffee whilst you are having fun. (All staff have DBS Checks)

To find out more, contact MKC Heroes by emailing heather.ogburn@plymouth.gov.uk or call Heather at MKC Heroes on 01752 307445 or 01752 779657

You can also join us by coming to our first spring practice on **January 15th 2020**



A big

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SOMETHING NEW IN PLYMSTOCK
FOR SERVICE OR EX SERVICE
VETERAN FAMILIES OR
INDIVIDUALS



MONDAY MONTAGE

Jenn Collings is a pastoral worker with Aggies and ex-service wife of 35 years she will be setting up a group just for service families - in the community within Cafe Vision on three Monday afternoons a month.

This group will be starting on the following
Monday's in January 13th, 20th & 27th from 12.30pm to 2.00pm
This is a free session (you can purchase a meal or coffee within the cafe separately) we may ask for a small donation to cover any craft items or activity but we would rather have you than your money!

You don't need a child to attend

- 13th January meet & greet craft session for adults with a play table for little ones
- 20th January storybook waves book club with your children under 5
- 27th Monday jewellery making - play table for little ones



Aggies will be based within the premises at Cafe Vision, Plymstock United Church, Plymstock Road, PL9 7FF, for more info contact jenn.arkcommunityproject@hotmail.co.uk or check out our Facebook page. The Ark Community Project Ltd - Plymouth

PIC-COLLAGE

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Thank You!

A big thank you to our parents and the local community for collecting confectionery tubs over the festive season. We collected a grand total of 106 tubs! FROGS (Friends of Goosewell School - formerly Goosewell PTA) have delivered them all to DCW Polymers in South Brent. The tubs will be added to the many more that are being collected across Devon. 7,500 tubs = 1 Tonne of material!

For those who are curious how collecting tubs will help Dartmoor Zoo. The tubs will be shredded down to granules and sold into the industry for reusing. The money raised will be donated to Dartmoor Zoo to improve the Meerkat enclosure.



Dates for your diaries - all future activities, meetings and assemblies can be found here on the [school website calendar](#)

JANUARY

Thursday 16th

Relationships and Sex Education Consultation Drop-In for Parents/Carers at 9.00-9.30am

Monday 20th

Premier Education 'Sports Clubs' start of four week block

Friday 24th

3M Family Assembly at 2.30pm in the Main Hall

Plymstock Area Cross Country Race 1 at Oreston Primary at 4.00-5.15pm.

Friday 31st

1B Family Assembly at 2.30pm in the Main Hall

Future dates:

Friday 14th February

Last day of Term 3

Monday 17th February — Friday 21st February

Term break

Monday 24th February

First day of Term 4

Friday 27th March

Last day of Term 4

Tuesday 14th April

First day of Term 5

Friday 8th May

May Day Bank Holiday

Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May

Term break

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Eddie Farwell

Eddie Farwell MBE
Co-Founder and Chief Executive
Children's Hospice South West

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