



Year Group News

Foundation Stage In Reception next week, we will be enjoying the text 'Here comes Jack Frost' by Kazuno Kohara together. We will be writing similes to describe winter scenes and looking at pattern and shape in the environment. Hopefully, we will get some chilly days to see Jack Frost at work! The number we are focusing on is 10 - ask your child what the new ditty is. We are really enjoying sharing your Foundation Five responses on Tapestry and seeing the learning that is happening at home alongside school. We are practising the Nativity songs at school, so you may hear a sneaky preview at home too!!

Year 1 In Year 1 next week we will be practising very hard for our upcoming Mince Pie Sing-a-long. We will be perfecting our songs and practising our lines ready for our performance on Wednesday 4th December. Please ensure your costume is in school by Friday 29th November. In History, we will be investigating what happened to the dinosaurs and exploring how they became extinct. We will be continuing to work on our 'Dinosaur World' shoe boxes in D.T., they are starting to look very prehistoric! In our writing we will be using 'Dear Dinosaur' to help us to identify the features of a letter and to inspire some letter writing of our own.

Year 2 Next week, Year 2 children will be writing poems following the style of Haiku. They will be basing their poems on dinosaurs and using adjectives created through the homework activity. In maths, the children will be moving on to a new topic of statistics. This is when the children will be learning how to read and make tally charts and pictograms to show data they have collated. We will be continuing with our Dinosaur topic, looking at food chains and ordering different types according to what they eat. We will also be making our Sockasaurus that we planned this week, so if you haven't already, please bring in any odd or old socks!

Year 3 This week, we have worked really well to consolidate our addition and subtraction learning and to apply all of our skills to adding and subtracting two 3-digit numbers. We have also completed Maths assessments. Next week, we will begin our multiplication and division learning. Please remember children are able to play Times Table Rock Stars at home. If you need a reminder of your child's logon details, please ask your child's teacher. We have begun to think about different predatory birds and the things they eat. We have also been thinking about what it is like to look at the world from a bird's point of view and have drawn maps of the school from this view.

Year 4 Thank you to those of you who joined us for 4G's family assembly, and for those of you who attended the London meeting. If you were unable to attend, the PowerPoint presentation will be available on the website shortly. Next week in Maths, we will be learning and applying our times tables knowledge; any help with practising these at home will be invaluable. In English, we will be studying biographies further and looking at the lives of famous musicians. For our Playlist topic, we will be exploring how to insulate sounds for soundproofing as well as warming up our vocal chords to explore songs from around the world with great links to our djembe lessons!

Year 5 Children in Need was a huge success last week and we were immensely proud of your children's efforts. Thank you for supporting your child with the organisation of their stall - we certainly all had a fun but hugely purposeful day! In English this week, we have started to learn about non-chronological reports. We have read several examples, in order to create a list of the generic text features. The children have also developed their ability to take notes and had the opportunity to practise using a range of strategies whilst listening to reports about how to look after their teeth. These skills will be applied next week when we will be making notes about the sun, moon and some of the planets. In Maths, we have been learning about prime numbers, square numbers and cubed numbers. Can your child define these terms with examples? In our spelling session this week, we have been learning how to spell words from the Year 5 and 6 word list. We hope that your children can talk confidently about these sessions when they bring their spellings home on a Monday.

Year 6 Year 6 will begin to look at Non-Chronological reports in English next week. They will begin the week by being immersed in the genre and learning about the generic features of this text. In Maths, we will continue our work with fractions by learning how to multiply fractions by fractions and how to divide fractions by integers. Our topic, Frozen Kingdom, will see the children learning about the Northern Lights and writing a Haiku poem inspired by the lights. The children will also learn about the biodiversity of the Arctic and Southern Ocean and they will make a list of similarities and differences between the two.

Next week's virtue is:

Unity.....

The quality or state of being made one

Mrs Penk's Book Resources

If you have borrowed any books from Jo Penk's book library recently, she would be grateful if you could return them to her via the main office. Thank you.

Pupil Successes

Well done to Eli in 1/2KH who successfully completed the 'Lopwell Loop - Storm Junior Run' at the weekend and received a medal for his fantastic efforts.

After School Clubs

A big thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our online after school club survey. We have had an overwhelming response and have some very exciting plans in the pipeline! Watch this space!

Lost & Found Lost on Children in Need day in Key Stage 1 playground - a TY Beanie Boo reversible sequin toy sloth. Please return to the school office if found. Lost - a royal blue, age 7-8 Mountain Warehouse hoody with a yellow zip (used for outdoor learning) in Year 4. Please check your outdoor learning bags and return to the school office if found. If your child lost any of their belongings on Children in Need day, please check with Mrs Humphreys or Mrs Brown on reception as we have a handful of items!

Wear Your Christmas Jumper Day - Friday 13th December



Oliver Brown's favourite time of the year was Christmas and this December, we will be holding a Christmas Jumper Day in Oliver's memory. On **Friday 13th December 2019** all children (and grown ups!) are invited to come to school dressed in their favourite Christmas jumpers instead of their school jumpers over their uniforms, in exchange for a donation (suggested minimum £1) for Little Harbour and Children's Hospice South West. This charity has been a great support to the Brown family over recent times and we hope that you will join us in raising vital funds for this very special place.

Supporting
children's hospice
SOUTH WEST

Registered Charity No. 1003314



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PTA News!

EVERYTHING MUST GO

SALE

2ND HAND UNIFORM

20p

TOYS

£1.00

BOOKS

20p

NEW

WATER BOTTLES

£1.00

PLUS A CHANCE TO CLAIM

YOUR LOST PROPERTY!

FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER, MAIN HALL, 3.15-4PM

Plymstock Road Runners Couch to 5K

It's never too early to start thinking about New Year's resolutions!

Ever thought about running, especially after indulging during the Christmas and New Year period, but didn't know where to start? Well that's no longer an excuse not to!

Plymstock Road Runners are coaching a Couch to 5K programme over 9 weeks, starting January 2020.

If you would like to join in with a helpful and friendly group, keen to start running, get fitter and burn off those excess pounds, then here's how!

Starting Tuesday 7th January 2020 and training 3 times a week for a 30 min session, we will coach you to run the Plym Valley 5K Park Run on Saturday 7th March 2020. £10 gives you membership to the club and its insurance cover during the training period. We'll run sessions on

Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the Plymstock area with you running your own session with instructions at the weekend.

If you're interested, please take a look at our Facebook page or contact us at davidoliverpodiatry@hotmail.co.uk or bealerach@googlemail.com

Or visit our website

www.plymstockroadrunners.co.uk

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](#)



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Calling all service families!

We are always keen to find out if we are supporting our service families well.

If you are a service family, we invite you to complete this short, online survey to tell us how we are doing.

[Service Families Survey](#)

Thank you in advance!

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Christmas Countdown Calendar

Mon 2nd December 5.00pm Year 3/Year 4 Christmas Tree Lighting Celebration (All welcome)	Tues 3rd December	Wed 4th December 9.30-10.30am Year 1 Mince Pie Sing-a-Long In the main hall (for parents/carers)	Thurs 5th December	Fri 6th December 9.30-10.30am Jack 'n' Jills Nativity in the Main Hall
Mon 9th December	Tues 10th December	Wed 11th December 9.30-10.30am Reception Nativity in the main hall (for parents/carers) 2.00pm Year 2 Christmas Around the World performance 5.00pm Year 2 Christmas Around the World performance	Thurs 12th December Reception & Key Stage 1 Christmas Party	Fri 13th December Christmas Jumper Day in support of Little Harbour & Children's Hospice South West
Mon 16th December Year 3 & Year 4 Christmas Party	Tues 17th December 2.00-3.00pm Year 5 & Year 6 Carol Service at Plymstock Church 6.00-7.00pm Year 5 & Year 6 Carol Service at Plymstock Church	Wed 18th December Year 5 Christmas Party	Thurs 19th December Christmas Dinner Year 6 Christmas Party	Fri 20th December Whole school (free) mufti for end of term

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

NOVEMBER

Friday 22nd

4G Family Assembly 2.30-3.00pm

Tuesday 26th

NHS Flu Immunisation Programme for all year groups

Thursday 28th

Open Morning for Prospective Reception Families Sept 2020 at 10.00am

Friday 29th

SPaG (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar) Workshop for Parents/Carers with Mrs Clarke 9-9.45am

DECEMBER

Monday 2nd

Christmas Tree lighting celebration on Reception playground 5-5.45pm

Wednesday 4th

Year 1 Mince Pie Sing-a-Long for parents/carers 9.30-10.30am

Friday 6th Jack'n Jills Nativity in the Main Hall 9.30-10.30am

Future dates:

Friday 20th December

Monday 23rd December — Friday 3rd January

Monday 6th January & Tuesday 7th January

Wednesday 8th January

Friday 14th February

Monday 17th February — Friday 21st February

Monday 24th February

Last day of Term 2

Christmas break

Non Pupil Days

First day of Term 3

Last day of Term 3

Term break

First day of Term 4

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