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## Newsletter 13th May 2022

Congratulations this week to our Year 6 pupils, who have completed their KS2 SATs. We have been really impressed with how hard they have worked. They have especially enjoyed the bacon sandwiches each morning!

Mondrian class invited their parents/carers into school on Tuesday for their class library session. The children are really enjoying these reading sessions, thank you for attending.

Some of the Year 5 children have been lucky enough to visit Barton Hall for their PGL residential trip this week. We hope that they had a wonderful time and look toward to hearing all about their exciting adventures.

Hope you all have a lovely weekend!

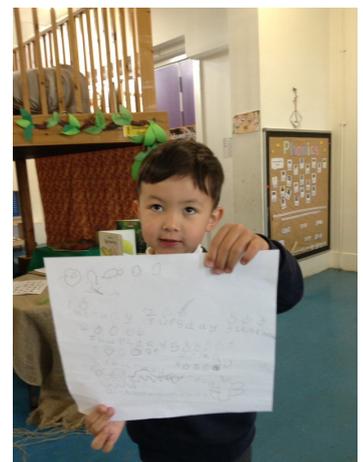
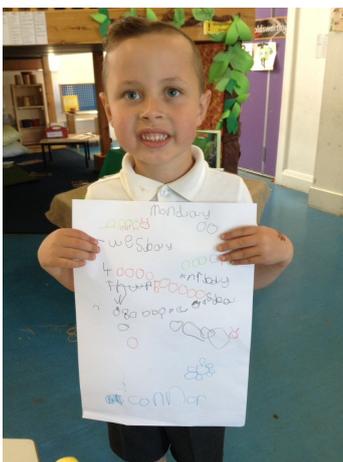
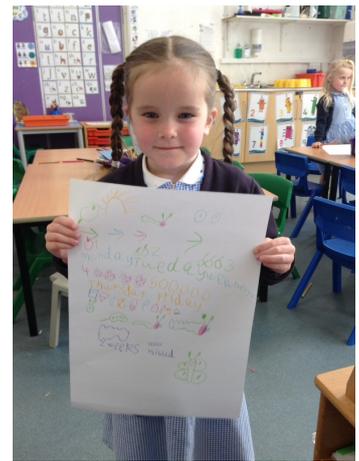
In Kiely we have been using our collaboration and observation skills to measure and compare items in centimetres (CM) and metres (M). To link this with our topic, we then compared the heights of different bridges designed by I.K Brunel. The tallest was the Clifton Suspension Bridge which was 75m tall! We have used this information in our English lessons where we have been writing our own information texts, we have been using dictionaries to find the definitions of words we want to include in our glossaries.



Matisse class thoroughly enjoyed taking part in a workshop teaching them how to play Boccia. They learnt that boccia is like bowls and the aim of the game was to try and throw the coloured balls into a hoop. They used their problem solving STEM skill to try and work out the most effective way to get their ball into the hoop.

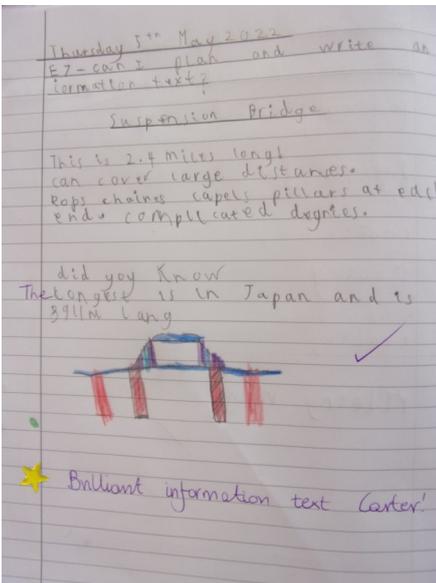


The foundation children have been learning 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' story this week. The children are getting very good at retelling the story and today they drew their own story maps and then used these to retell the story to their partners. The children have also been observing the class caterpillars daily and have been excited to see how big they have got- they think it won't be long until they start building their cocoons!

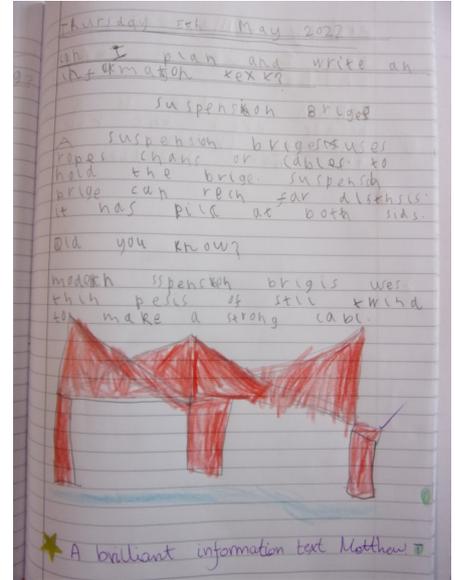




On Tuesday, it was Mondrian's chance to invite parents/carers to come and read with us. It was a brilliant afternoon that we all enjoyed! Mums, dads, grand parents and babies, all joined us in our Library for some quality reading time. Thank you to all who attended and we are looking forward for the next time.



In Mondrian class we have been learning how to write information texts. As our topic is British Bridges this term, we researched and learnt about the different types of bridges and we wrote our own information texts .



Well done to Year 6 who have now completed their SATs tests! They have enjoyed bacon sandwiches each morning and fun activities such as rounders and the pirate game in the afternoons.



## Our School Priorities Term 5 & 6

### **Behaviour**

- Staff and children know, understand and follow the Managing and Supporting Positive Behaviour policy.

### **Reading**

- Ensure that the RWInc programme is followed consistently across the school and that Reading Comprehension skills are planned and taught in reading lessons. Develop the reading environment for children and promote reading engagement with parents in school.

### **Attendance**

- To improve whole school attendance by supporting all pupils (and their families) to be in school.

Parents/carers.

Please remember the school doors will close at 8.55 promptly every day. If you have to bring your child/ren in through to reception, they will be marked as late and this goes against their attendance %.



If your child is going to be off school, please call the office on 01752 365250 and leave a message on the absence answer phone. Alternatively, please email [westonmill.desk@discoverymat.co.uk](mailto:westonmill.desk@discoverymat.co.uk).

Thank you.

### TERMS DATES

**Mon 30th May - Fri 3rd Jun**

**Mon 27th Jun**

**Wed 27th July**

**Wed 7th Sep 2022**

**Mon 24th - Fri 28th Oct**

**Fri 25th Nov**

**Mon 19th Dec 2022 - Mon 2nd Jan 2023**

**Mon 13th Feb - Fri 17th Feb**

**Mon 20th Feb**

**Mon 3rd April - Fri 14th April**

**Mon 1st May**

**Mon 29th May - Fri 2nd Jun**

**Fri 23rd Jun**

**Wed 26th July**

**HALF TERM**

**Non-Pupil Day**

**SUMMER HOLIDAYS START**

**2022/2023 TERM starts**

**HALF TERM**

**Non-Pupil Day**

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**

**Half Term**

**Non-Pupil Day**

**EASTER HOLIDAYS**

**Bank Holiday**

**HALF TERM**

**Non-Pupil Day**

**SUMMER HOLIDAYS START**

## Reminder

Please can all parents & carers return the report slips and also the Jubilee lunch slips asap.

Thank you!



## Jubilee

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May we would like to invite parents into school to complete some Jubilee activities with their children in the classrooms.

Y5/6 - 9.15-10.15am

Y3/4 - 10.30-11.30am

Y1/2 - 1-2pm

FS/Nursery - 2-3pm

On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May there will be a Jubilee picnic for children on the field. There will be no hot lunches on this day. Please see CaterEd menu on the letter sent out and return your slip asap.



Jubilee Hat Com-

petition

We would like to ask children to use their creativity skills at home to create a Jubilee themed hat! Please can children bring their hat into school on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May. Hat judging will take place during the day and a FS, KS1 and KS2 winner will be announced during our Jubilee assembly on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> May.

## Class Library Reading Sessions – Term 5

We are really sorry for any confusion about the start time for this session with your child, it is 2.15pm . Please come in via reception.

Gaudi Class (Y5) – Monday 16<sup>th</sup> May

Hadid Class (Y6) – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May

Thank you.



**PLEASE REMEMBER NOT TO BRING DOGS ONTO THE SCHOOL PREMISES.**



# Where to find us in May

Every Thursday, 13:30 - 15:30

Drop - ins

The Plot, 80/84 Union Street, PL1 3EZ

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Thursday 19th May, 10:00 - 13:00

Keyham Green Places Drop-In

163 Renown Street, PL2 2DT

Monday 23rd May, 11:00 - 13:00

Jan Cutting Centre Drop-In

Scott Business Park, PL2 2QP

Saturday 21st May, 10:00 - 16:00

Lord Mayor's Festival

Plymouth City Centre, PL1 1HH

Wednesday 25th May, 13:30 - 15:30

The Oasis Project Drop-In

28 Manor Street, Stonehouse, PL1 1TW

Contact our friendly team

Plymouth Energy Community

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[energyteam@plymouthenergycommunity.com](mailto:energyteam@plymouthenergycommunity.com)

[www.plymouthenergycommunity.com](http://www.plymouthenergycommunity.com)



**Plymouth Energy**  
**COMMUNITY**<sup>™</sup>

PEC drop-in sessions offering advice to anybody concerned with the rising cost of energy prices.



**SEN SESSIONS**

Wednesdays  
4pm-5:30pm

Fridays  
9am - 11am

Visit  
[www.drakes-den.co.uk](http://www.drakes-den.co.uk)  
to Book!

Please bring your  
medical letter or blue  
badge with you on the  
day

We will be holding exclusive SEN only sessions outside of our normal opening hours for your child to enjoy the full soft play experience without the hustle and bustle of regular play sessions. During this time, the children will be able to discover the soft play without the distractions of music, disco lighting and sounds. This is also a great opportunity to meet and socialise with other SEN children and families.

**DRAKES DEN**

## **MUFTI DAY Friday 20th May**

All proceeds to go to the Disaster Emergency Committee in response to the crisis in Ukraine.



## **YOUNG PEOPLE'S TIMETABLE**

**PARTICIPATION IS FREE**



**FOR MORE DETAILS & TO BOOK PLEASE CONTACT US!**

[classes@eximdance.org.uk](mailto:classes@eximdance.org.uk)  
07864168663

### **MONDAY**

**4:30pm - 5:15pm**  
PRIMARY DANCE - 5-10 years  
Oxford House Creative Hub,  
Stonehouse

**5:30pm - 6:30pm**  
COMMUNITIES TOGETHER  
(STONEHOUSE) 11 - 16 years  
Oxford House Creative Hub,  
Stonehouse

**5:30pm - 7pm**  
MAKING WAVES - 13-18 years  
Oxford House Creative Hub,  
Stonehouse

### **TUESDAY**

**5:00pm - 6.30pm**  
COMMUNITIES TOGETHER  
(NORTH PROSPECT) 11- 16 years  
Beacon Hub, North Prospect

### **WEDNESDAY**

MID WEEK REFLECTION - 5  
minute creative mindfulness  
tasks posted across our  
social media

### **THURSDAY**

**4:30pm - 5:30pm**  
SOCIAL HOUR - 11-18 (up to 25 for  
disabled people) separated into  
appropriate age groups  
Oxford House Creative Hub,  
Stonehouse

### **FRIDAY**

**5:00pm - 6:00pm**  
COMMUNITIES TOGETHER  
(Keyham) 11-16 years  
Keyham Green Places Centre

**5:00pm - 6:00pm**  
ADAPT - 12 - 25 for disabled people  
Oxford House Creative Hub,  
Stonehouse



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# Time for You

Supportive Zoom groups for mums of children with additional needs in Plymouth

In these small, friendly groups we use words, images and coaching tools to find new ways to look at ourselves and our situations. It's a place to be with others who 'get it' and a **chance to build a toolkit to help you to navigate life's ups and downs.**

**Supportive**  
*"It's not like other zooms, we feel close to each other"*

**Positive**  
*"I can be myself and that leaves me feeling better"*  
*"Sharing stuff with people who get it makes me feel I'm not alone"*

**Burnout Avoidance**  
*"I can't usually get 5 minutes to myself. Having this time has been so healing."*  
*"It's a chance to stop your mind racing, use self-compassion and avoid burnout"*

**Creative Solutions**  
*"Because my mindset is different, I feel I can cope with things better now."*

**To book a space...**  
 For mums of children with additional needs in Plymouth.  
 Free 10-week group Mondays 11am - 1pm from Mon 9th May  
**Booking essential.** Priority if on benefits. Please contact jo@mums4achange.org or visit Facebook @mums4achange

**Run by:** Jo Ball, a life and career coach, trainer, mum of two, with an Arts Therapy background. Supported by Cass Povey-Naylor a trained counsellor, OT, mum of children with additional needs.

funded through  

[www.Mums4aChange.org](http://www.Mums4aChange.org)

The courses are free and are funded by The Peoples Health Trust.



# ROYAL NAVY Deployment Support

**CROWNHILL 14 MAY**  
**COMMUNITY CENTRE 06 AUG** ALL AT 1000 - 1200  
**NO NEED TO PRE BOOK 29 OCT**

Deployment support session for anyone who has a family member deployed. RN FPS plus other organisations will be there to offer advice, support and guidance. Memory Boxes and arts and crafts for the children, refreshments available.

# FREE SUPPORT GROUPS



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# Men's Support

Our Men's Support Group runs twice a month.



## [Men's Support Group | Devon Mind, leading the fight for mental health in Devon](#)

The aim of our Men's Support Group is to give anyone who identifies as male a safe space to share, support, and explore personal challenges (including mental health problems) confidentially with other men, in a non-judgmental way. Our Men's Support Group is held on the **first and third Friday of every month from 1:30pm**

## Bristol & Bath Trip 9th June

The final instalment was due on the 3rd may. If you missed this, please ensure you pay the final balance asap.

Thank you.

## LOST PROPERTY

There are lots of coats, cardigans, jumpers, lunch boxes and bottles in our lost property box.

Please come and have a look. This can be found just through the playground doors into reception.

Thank you.



## Family Support Advisor

### TIME TO TALK SESSIONS

If you need help and support from Clair Wilkinson, please email her  
c.wilkinson@discoverymat.co.uk



A colorful poster for "Messy Munchkinz" play sessions. It features a central photograph of children sitting at tables, painting. The background is yellow with colorful splatters and a large pink and blue flower graphic. Logos for "Whiz Kidz" and "Wolseley Trust" are in the top corners. The text "WE ARE BACK" is written on a torn paper effect. Below that, it says "Messy Munchkinz in conjunction with Wolseley Trust and Whiz Kidz". Further down, it lists "Sensory and child development play sessions Suitable for babies and pre school children up to 5 years". The start date and time are "Starting Thursday 12th May Time 10.30am-12pm". Pricing is "£2 per child and under 1years are free!". The venue is "St. Thomas Church - 90 Royal Navy Ave, Keyham, Plymouth PL2 2AJ". A booking link is provided: "GO TO BOOK : https://www.wkuk.org/book-online". A note at the bottom states: "Please Note: The funding provided doesn't cover us for childminders as it is community funding aimed to encourage local parents to take part in community activities to benefit them and their children's well-being." A small red circular logo with a white cross and four hands is in the bottom right corner.

## Class Assemblies – Term 6

Hockney Class (Y6) – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June

Goldsworthy (FS) & Matisse (FS children only) – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July

Class assemblies start at 9:15am. You may want to meet other parents and enjoy a cup of tea/coffee with Mrs Fletcher-Wilkinson beforehand. This will be held in the dining hall once you have dropped your child to school.

## Weekly attendance for 9th—13th May 2022

The UK Government expectation is 96%. We are striving for children to achieve this as there is a direct link between attendance and achievement .

This week's winners are : KIELY & HOCKNEY



GOLDSWORTHY	83.06
MATISSE	76.54
MONDRIAN	86.92
KEILY	<b>89.13</b>

KAHLO	90.42
DA VINCI	79.33
MONET	94.00
PICASSO	88.89
GAUDI	88.33
HADID	93.81
HOCKNEY	<b>98.89</b>

