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Newsletter 4th November2022

It has been lovely to welcome the children back after the half term break and see them begin to work on their new topics. This term's Curriculum Newsletter has now been sent to all parents with ideas of how you can support learning at home as well as key information and events for the term.

This morning we welcomed parents in to join us for our Stay and Sound session in Years 1 to 3. Thank you to all of the parents who attended this session this morning. It was fantastic to see so many of our families joining us for this event and an opportunity to learn with their children within the classroom. We really appreciate the feedback we received from this session and are planning future opportunities to come and learn with your children. Keep up-to-date with future events on our Facebook page, especially our Stay and Code sessions happening later this term.

Next week, we welcome parents of children in Oslo Class (Year 6, Mr Mann) for their Celebration of Learning event at 2:15pm. Please arrive through the school office for this event.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Catherwood (Acting Head of School)



Key Stage 2 will be partaking in weekly cricket sessions this term.

Please ensure all children have their kit in school each Monday.

Parent Reading Workshops

On Friday 4th November, parents of children in Years 1—3 were invited to attend a Stay and Sound session. Parents had a short workshop with Mrs Hawker in the school hall before joining their children in their RWI/Reading lessons. It was great to see the children and parents reading together and learning more about RWI and Early Reading at Weston Mill.



Weekly attendance for 31st Oct—4th Nov 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 :

LONDON	86.1
NAIROBI	83.5
MOMBASA	90.5
CAPE TOWN	77.5



SAN FRANCISCO	84.4
ΤΟΚΥΟ	87.5
SANTIAGO	92.9
CANBERRA	92.1
DUBAI	88.9
OSLO	96.0

Class Learning—Nairobi

Nairobi have enjoyed their new topic Weather Watchers this week. We have been creating autumn drawings, writing sentences about the weather and pretending we are weather reporters.



This week Year 2 (Cape Town) have enjoyed colour mixing as part of their Weather Watchers topic. They investigated primary colours and used them to mix the secondary colours. We will be using these skills later in the week to make firework pictures.









RESIDENTIALS

London - Please ensure deposit payments are made on ParentPay by 11th November 2022.

Nethercott Farm - Please ensure the next payment is made by 15th November 2022.

School Uniform Reminder

Please send your child in the correct uniform as outlined in the School Uniform Policy on our website. Children should wear grey trousers, skirt/pinafore or shorts **not leggings**.

Please remember that flat, sensible, safe, black shoes (no trainers) should be worn.

Hairclips and headbands should be plain and should not cause obstruction to anyone's learning, or cause distraction to any learner.

Children need to have their PE kit in school, as they will change in school for PE sessions. Please ensure that PE kit is as outlined in the uniform policy.

Jewellery

Children may not wear jewellery to school at any time (except for small studs, which **must be 5mm in diameter or smaller**, and watches) other than for religious or cultural reasons. Children in **Foundation** may <u>not</u> wear earrings in view of the physical aspects of their learning.

"For health and safety reasons, all pupils are required to remove earrings during PE lessons."



StreetSafe is a pilot service for anyone to anonymously tell us about public places where you have felt or feel unsafe, because of environmental issues, e.g. street lighting, abandoned buildings or vandalism and/or because of some behaviours, e.g. being followed or verbally abused.

StreetSafe

Want to improve the safety of our local area? If you feel unsafe in any area in Plymouth please use this website to report it: <u>StreetSafe | Police.uk (www.police.uk)</u>

Pre-Loved Uniform Shop

We all know how quickly children outgrow school uniform and that often families have items that have hardly been worn but no longer fit. It seems a real shame that these clothes either go to a recycle bank or simply get thrown away.

We have introduced a Pre-Loved school uniform system in our school. Donated items are available to families throughout the year and will, we hope, make sure that children get the best wear out of school uniform. If you have items of school uniform that your child has grown out of but are still in good condition, please send them into school clean. Coats and shoes will also be welcomed.



Thank you to those that have donated already!

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

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



Marine Academy Plymouth



Is your child starting secondary school in September 2023 or 2024?

Do you want your child to attend the highest performing, non selective school in Plymouth?

If the answer is yes, book onto one of our last open mornings whilst we still have space!

As the most improved school in the South West, we unreservedly believe that every child should have the opportunity to attend University when they leave us and our academic curriculum is designed to ensure that this is the pathway our students will follow.

We accept no excuses for poor behaviour and instil a belief in our children that they can match the success of students attending schools such as Eton, Harrow and Wycombe Abbey. Our very own bespoke enrichment programme offers all students the opportunity to develop key attributes relating to the MAP core values.

Leadership - Resilience - Aspiration

Within our leadership initiative,

students will be required to complete a number of tasks to achieve the Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Platinum MAP Award, which will enrich students' cultural capital and provide all students with the personal attributes needed to succeed on the path to University and into adult life.

We also offer a vast array of clubs and activities for students to become involved with outside the classroom ranging from sports clubs to Forensic science, from Mythology to Bakewell club! As well as this all year 7 students are given access to free music 1-2-1 music tuition! Come and see one of the best schools in the country ! The university

Open Events 2022



Come and see the highest performing school in Plymouth in action at one of our open mornings!

Open mornings: 14th and 21st October 2022

To see MAP in action, open mornings will run from **8.55am - 10.00am** where there will be a short welcome talk followed by a chance to see our thriving academic environment! You will see our calm, safe and disruption free environment, meet current staff and students and experience our world renowned teaching strategies recently published by international bestseller, Doug Lemov! If you'd like the opportunity to find out what makes us different, please book by contacting reception and reserving a space on your preferred day!

By 2025, we will be the best school in the country. Will your child be a MAP scholar?

To arrange a visit, please contact us on 01752 213939 or email contact@marineacademy.org.uk For further information about the academy, please visit our website: www.marineacademy.org.uk/secondary

Study here where you will...

learn like a champion... develop your leadership, resilience, aspiration....go to university



Plymouth Ballet School offers fun, friendly, and high-quality Dance classes for all ages and abilities!

TUESDAY

16:45 - 17:15	Pre-School Ballet	3 - 4 Years
17:15 - 17:45	Pre-Primary Ballet	5 - 6 Years
17:45 - 18:30	Primary Ballet	6+ Years
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WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

Please follow us on our Facebook page - Weston Mill **Community Primary**

You can also check our website for latest news, dates and letters.



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LORD'S TAVERNERS Giving young people a sporting chance

FREE CRICKET SESSIONS!

Please book your place in advance. Contact Katie Holland:

katie.holland@devoncricket.co.uk/07498 751414





Come along to your local Wicketz hub, make friends, have fun and stay healthy!

WHAT TO BRING: A drink (not fizzy). Wear appropriate clothing for indoor and outdoor activities.







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WHEN:	Mondays 5pm - 6pm	A drink (
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