

WHAT'S ON AT WIDEWELL

Widewell Primary Academy Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers

I cannot believe it's almost the end of Term 1 already! The children have settled very well into their new year groups and the increased expectations we have of them as they get older. The Head and Deputy girls and boys are doing a great job and have introduced two new awards into our Friday celebration assemblies, a Maths Plate and a Fair Play trophy, and these were given out for the first time on Friday. The children have decided that the play leaders in Y5 and 6 will choose the Fair Play winners each week in consultation with the Head and Deputy boys and girls. I look forward to celebrating the winners of these and all our awards over the next year.

I am disappointed to let you know that the work on the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) has not yet started as there was a hold up with the planning permission. We are working with the contractors to find a solution and I will let you know the outcome once it is resolved.

Once again there will be work taking place in school over the half term break. We are having some of the classroom ceilings replaced and a new storage cupboard being built in the hall. I hope this is the start of the refurbishment of the hall, which it desperately needs, and we are looking for any funding that can make this happen as soon as possible. If you know of anyone who can help us with grants for the hall or the staging area please let someone in school know as the school budget just will not stretch that far. Our children really deserve an area that reflects the quality of their performances so lets hope we can find some funds soon.

Thank you to everyone who has filled in one of the annual parent questionnaires which are being given out at Parents' Evenings this week. If you did not get a copy please take one from the letter racks in the foyer and return to the school office as soon as possible. I will let you know the results in the next newsletter.

Kind regards,

CL Pyne

Cup winners	05.10.2018	12.10.2018
Friendship Trophy	Amelia Green	Modlamin Jaiteh
Courtesy Cup	Tianna Allen and Rhyley Thomson -Reece	Scott Ingram
Perseverance Trophy	Year 6	Alfie Connors
Reading Award	Holly Price and Jessica Stanbury	Charlotte Cordy
Homework	Year 5 and 6	Year 6
Maths		Ivy Tuimanu
Class Cup	Year 2	Year 3
House Cup	Jennycliff	Jennycliff
Fair Play Award		Poppy Rebhan

Key Dates for 2018/2019

18 Oct Parents evening
19 Oct End of Term 1

29 Oct Start of Term 2
9 Nov Yr 5 class assembly 2.45pm

11 and 12 Dec Infant Nativity 2pm

13 Dec Christmas Lunch
14 Dec Family Craft afternoon 1.30pm

19 Dec Christingle Service 10am

19 Dec 1:15pm End of Term 2

3 Jan Start of Term 3
15 Feb End of Term 3
25 Feb Start of Term 4
5 Apr 1:15pm End of Term 4

24 Apr Start of Term 5
24 May End of Term 5
3 Jun Start of Term 6
19 Jul 1:15pm End of Term 6



Play leaders



Walk to the Moon winners 5th October

Year 6 investigating how bacteria is spread



Tor Bridge Family Cross Country.

On Wednesday 10th October, Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 children participated in a cross country event held at Tor Bridge High School. Isabelle, Isaac, Cameron, Max, Amii, Izzy, Mod, Leo, Lucas, Christopher, Aiden, Bintou and Amelie competed against 5 other local primary schools. There were four races- Year 3 and 4 girls' and boys' and Year 5 and 5 girls' and boys'. All our athletes performed with admirable determination and self-belief to finish their races and they were cheered on by their team mates right to the end. Congratulations to all the children, especially Amii who finished second in the Year 5 and 6 girls' race, for which she was awarded a medal.



Weekly cup winners



PTSA

Plymouth Teaching School Alliance (PTSA) are hosting an event with a range of teacher training providers from the South West, for you to train as either a primary or secondary teacher. This is being held on Thursday 8th November 4-7pm at High View School. Place at the event can be booked via the link below:

Book your place at our train to teach event:

<https://getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/teaching-events/training-provider-events/181108-plymouth-teaching-school-alliance-train-to-teach-event>

Year 6

Just a reminder that the deadline for the secondary school preference forms is the 31st October. These need to be submitted to the school admissions team as soon as possible. If you have any problems completing the form please let us know and we will do what we can to help.

French Saturday school for bilingual children

The club takes place on Saturday mornings at Yealmpton Farm Primary School in Plympton. There are 4 groups spanning ages 0-17 years with age appropriate fun activities designed to reinforce and improve children's French language skills.

For more details please contact—07925 371334 or email—lespetitsmoussesdeplymouth@gmail.com

Children's Theatre Festival 2018

Show tickets from £2 at www.ticketsource.co.uk/abovebounds. Free activities will include, face painting, crafts, storytelling and music. Show details are as follows:

Monday 22nd October at Plympton library 1pm and 3pm—Ingo's war for ages 8-11

Tuesday 23rd October at Plymstock library 11am and 1pm—Little Meerkats big panic for ages 0-7 and 3.30pm—Hansel and Gretel workshop for ages 3-8

Wednesday 24th October at Southway library 1pm—Sticky ends for ages 4 plus and 3pm—Signor Baffo for ages 3-10.

School Christmas Cards

This year, the children have been working hard producing artwork which has been sent away to be made into Christmas cards for you to purchase. There is no obligation to buy, however there will also be other items available such as fridge magnets, place mats, gift labels and wrapping paper all showing your child's artwork.

The children will be bringing these home for you to see in a few weeks time. Payment will be via ParentPay.

Are you a confident parent?

TV production company Monkey Kingdom are looking for families with children aged between 5-13 for a brand new parenting experience. Are you proud of your parenting? Would you like to share your approach with other?

Whether you're a couple or a single parent, we would like you to get in touch and tell us what makes your parenting style so great!

Contact: parent@monkeykingdom.com with your name, contact details and some information about your family.

Red, White and Blue Day

Thank you to everyone who helped us raise a total of £155.10 from our red, white and blue mufti day and a special thank you to Layla Rezahi for giving us her pocket money. This has been sent to the soldiers charity.

Walk to the Moon Winners from W/E 5th October

Aiden Seddon
Seth Hearl and
Elesha Pinney

