

WHAT'S ON AT WIDEWELL

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Dear Parents and Carers

On Tuesday I met with **Lynne Tucker, the MAT Kitchen Manager** (not to be confused with our Mrs Tucker, who couldn't possibly do any more jobs around the school as there aren't enough hours in the day!). We are aware from our own observations and from some parents that there have been some new items on the menu that the children haven't liked and so I will be meeting with the kitchen staff to make a few **changes to the menu for after Christmas**. In the meantime, **starting from Monday 10th December, we will be offering wraps with a choice of tuna mayo, cheese, ham or egg mayo in addition to the jacket potatoes and both main meal choices**. We will not offer the advertised light choices for the final week and a half of this term and there will be no wrap option on **Thursday 13th December** as this is the **Christmas lunch day**. I have been to every class this afternoon and let the children know about the changes so hopefully they will be able to tell you what I've said! I am very aware that not every parent reads the newsletter, as our system shows a number of unopened emails each time, so I would be grateful if you could share this information with as many people as you know on the playground so that this change is made as smoothly as possible on Monday. **Thank you**.

Please make sure you have noted all of the dates in the blue column so that you know what's going on over the last two weeks of term. On **Christmas jumper day** the children are very welcome to wear their jumpers all day instead of their school jumper. If your children don't have a Christmas jumper they can wear a Christmas top as long as they can still wear their school shirt underneath.

I look forward to seeing you at one of the events in school before the end of term.

Kind regards,



Cup winners	23.11.2018	30.11.2018
Friendship Trophy	Williams Evans	Kai Clark
Courtesy Cup	Charlie Nixon	Amelie Alden and Megan Olusanya
Perseverance Trophy	Lottie and Amelia John	Owen Lawrence
Reading Award	Ella McGuigan and Stanley Richards-Wilcox	Holly Pringle
Homework	Year 5	Year 6 100%!
Maths	Charlotte Cordy	Layton Hussey
Class Cup	Year 4	Foundation
House Cup	Wembury	Wembury
Fair Play Award	Matei Iacoban and Kiaya-Mai Thomson-Reece	Mason Davis and Seb Hearl

Key Dates for 2018/2019

3-7 Dec Last week of clubs except for After School Care club

11 and 12 Dec Infant Nativity 2pm

13 Dec Christmas Lunch and Christmas jumper day

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



Basketball



Indoor Athletics



Author visit for KS2





Weekly cup winners



Foundation and KS1 Free Fruit

Unfortunately fruit for your child will not be available for the first few days after the Christmas holidays due to delivery times.

MKC Heroes

On Tuesday afternoon, we were invited for a fun swim session at the China Fleet Club as part of the MKC Heroes club. It was really good fun! After swimming, we had a buffet lunch and presented a Poppy Appeal cheque to the Royal British Legion. Finally, we shared ideas about future activities we would like to see in the MKC Heroes. It was a lovely afternoon.

Ruby and Alfie Year 6

Tracy Harrison of Harrison Health and Fitness is offering **free Combat and/or Kettlercise classes on Monday 17th December and Wednesday 19th December** in the school hall at 6:30pm. Come along and try these classes ready to start your new year resolutions in January!

Tor Bridge Family Indoor Athletics Competition

On Thursday 8th November, a team of 12 athletes represented our school. Modlamin, Olivia, Ivy, Amii, Matei, Riley, Niyah, Bethany, Shea, Lloyd, Tobias and Ella took part in track events, such as 1x1 lap relay, 2x2 lap relay and 4x1 relay, plus a 6 lap parlauf and obstacle relay.

The field events included chest push, speed bounce, standing long jump and triple jump. Well done to all of the children who finished in a well deserved 4th place.

Tor Bridge Family Basketball 2018

Monday 12th November 2018 – A different kind of event this afternoon at Tor Bridge High. Instead of our normal competitive format, we focused on learning new skills, meeting new people and working together as a team.

We were very fortunate to have 6th Form Young Leaders, Kian and Josh, with us to lead some skills and activities based on the fundamentals of Basketball. We had children from Montpelier, Widewell and Tor Bridge Primary with us today: on arrival we created mixed teams made up of children from different schools so that the emphasis was on getting to know new people and working together as a new team. The focus for today was very much on the School Games value of Team Work. Kian and Josh led a couple of activities each, looking at passing/shooting/defending and dribbling. It was great to see children from different schools mixing so quickly and soon showing off some excellent team work. After a quick drinks break we got into some game play; with the young leaders refereeing, the children put all of their new found skills to the test. It was clear that all of the children taking part today had made some excellent progress in terms of skill development but what was even better was that everyone was smiling at the end of the afternoon. Well done to everyone who took part today – you all played incredibly well and there was some great friendships developing between the schools.

I would like to say a huge thank you to Kian and Josh for all of their hard work – they really made this event so much fun.

Claire Cormack

PE Specialist for Tor Bridge High.

School Admission Arrangements 2020/2021

Take part in the consultation on school admission arrangements for 2020 entry.

Consultation starts 10th December 2018 and ends 20th January 2019

Visit www.plymouth.gov.uk/admissionconsultation or contact 01752 307470

Email: schoolconsultations@plymouth.gov.uk

Polite notice

A new debt policy will be in place for January 2019. If you have any outstanding debts from Before/After school care club / School dinners / Nursery fees please clear them or contact the business manager or Mrs Pryne to set up a payment plan as soon as possible.

Christingle Performance

The brass players, guitarists, hand bell players, KS1 and KS2 choirs and soloists will be performing at the Christingles Service on Wednesday 19th December at 10am.

