

HOLY CROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

This week has really got many children excited about their reading. The visit from David Lawrence Jones was so well received and David was also very impressed with the children. Thank you to Miss McCalley for organising the visit.



Some of our Year 6 pupils attended a Plymouth wide discussion at the Council Chambers on what we can do to reduce plastics. Our children are determined to take this issue seriously, as reflected in Pope Francis's *Laudato Si'* – care for our common home.

Today Year 2 and Year 6 visited the Theatre Royal to see the new sculpture, The Messenger. They will also take part in a writing workshop with the theatre at a later date.

Four teams from Key Stage 2 represented Holy Cross at the inaugural Catenians Plymouth Catholic Primary Schools Easter Presentation Competition. I will let you know how they got on next week. I hope to be able to share with you the Easter message they are delivering in our first week of next term.

Congratulations to those who performed as part of the Rock Steady Music Concert today. It is so good to see children showing their talent and confidence.

The federation had its final Governing Board meeting this week. It has been a pleasure working across the two schools for the past eight years and I fully support the decision to run the schools separately as we look at new models of working across CAST (our Multi-Academy Trust). Thank you to those parents who have already voiced a willingness to be part of Holy Cross's Local Governing Board.

Whilst the Federation has now ceased, I do feel that we should take the time to celebrate together one final time. There are a lot of people that worked so hard for both schools over that time. We will look to do something in the summer term. We have at least one Governor who will remain as a Holy Cross Governor – Lisa Martin. We have also asked the Bishop to appoint her as a Foundation Governor so as such, we will be now looking to elect a new Parent Governor in the new term. If this is of interest to you, please feel free to see either myself or Lisa.

Next week, you are invited to join us for our Lenten reflection where each class will be looking at specific Gospel Values. You will be welcome to join us from 2.15 p.m. Please look out for the letter coming home.

Have a lovely weekend.

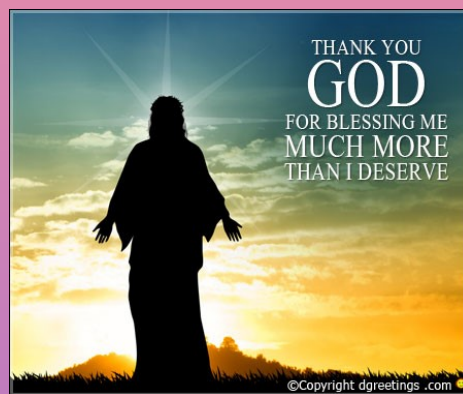
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Liturgy in School

Parents and parishioners are invited to join us for liturgy, 9am, Monday mornings.

The theme for our prayer and worship next week is:

HAPPY TO BE LOVED!



Dear Jesus, help me to be brave enough to face up to my mistakes. Help me to really mean it when I say sorry and to put right whatever I have done wrong. Amen.

YEAR 1 INVITATION



YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING INFORMATION EVENING

**TUESDAY 2ND APRIL @ 3.30
SIMON JAMES CLASSROOM**

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On Monday we had a visit from David Lawrence Jones, the incredibly talented author of A Pug's Tail and the Bradley Baker series. His presentation to the whole school on Monday was inspiring and many children have been to talk to me about the new stories or poems that they have been writing themselves! David even got to hear some of these for himself on Wednesday when he returned to sign books.

David commented on the wonderful attitude of our children and their enthusiasm, saying that he once again enjoyed his visit to Holy Cross. Well done everyone and keep writing!

Miss K McCalley



EACH WEEK, WE RECOGNISE AND REWARD THOSE WITH THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE FOR ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY. THIS WEEK WE SAY WELL DONE TO: -

SIMON JAMES (Y1)
KING SMITH (Y3/4)
ROSS MCKENZIE (Y6)

100% on time Heroes



It is fabulous to see so many children travelling to and from school on their bikes and scooters for Sustrans Big Pedal.

Please remember though that, to avoid accidents, children are not allowed to ride their bike or scooter in the school playground.

Thank you for your understanding and keep on pedalling/scooting (outside the school gates!)

There is a proper scooter pod for children to store their scooters outside of the Foundation Class.



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EASTER HOLIDAYS 2019
WEEK 1 - 8TH - 12TH APRIL
WEEK 2 - 15TH - 18TH APRIL
11th STARS FOR YOUR TEAM

I'M A HIGH CAMPER
Get Me Out Of Here!

at Widey Court Primary School, Plymouth

Ofsted

www.highsportsamps.co.uk
Need help with something, please call 01752 215734

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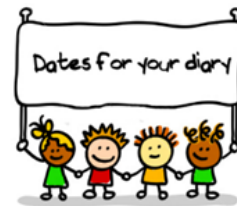
This Easter Holidays let your children come and experience the most active, engaging and varied holiday camp programme available in Devon.

What's available:
Each and every day is jam packed full of sports, outdoor activities and creative challenges to keep young, developing minds captivated. Expect: dodgeball, football, tennis, basketball, tag rugby, badminton, roller skate tennis and Australian themed arts & crafts. Just that's just for starters!

It's this bit though...
We also use a range of outdoor activities that can be added to your child's day, to give them that extra little something special, these are:

Activity	Age	Cost
Challenge Course	8-11 years	£10
Archery	7 years +	£10
Target Archery	7 years +	£10
Target Shooting	7 years +	£10
Target Archery	7 years +	£10
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To book:
Select the length, pick any extra activities, visit the website and click BOOK NOW. Once you receive your confirmation you can add back and wait exclusively for Easter to come... all and don't forget to tell all your friends!



Here is a list of some important dates confirmed for this year. All information is available on our website [calendar](#).

Tuesday 02/04/19

Year 1 Phonics Screening Information Meeting

Monday 08/04/19 to

Friday 19/04/19

Easter Holiday

Friday 19/04/19

Good Friday

Monday 22/04/19

Easter Monday

Tuesday 23/04/19

Summer Term starts & Whole School Mass @ 9am

Friday 03/05/19

Year 6 Residential Meeting

Monday 27/05/19 to

Friday 31/05/19

Half Term

Monday 03/06/19 to Friday 07/06/19

Year 6 Residential

Friday 28/06/19

Summer Fair

Wednesday 17/07/19 &

Thursday 18/07/19

Year 6 Leavers' Production

Friday 19/07/19

Last day of term

Free Activities In Plymouth

Astor Park & Central Park

All equipment is provided, so grab your mates and just show up. Aimed at young people 8 to 25*



ParkLives.com
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*Please note participants under 12 must be accompanied by an adult
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Astor Park, Cattedown, PL4 0AY

Activity	Date	Time
Bubble Football	Tuesday 23 April	4.00 – 5.00pm
Archery	Tuesday 30 April	4.00 – 5.00pm
Graffiti Art	Tuesday 7 May	4.00 – 5.00pm
Football	Tuesday 14 May	4.00 – 5.00pm
Dodgeball	Tuesday 21 May	4.00 – 5.00pm
Field Games	Tuesday 28 May	4.00 – 5.00pm
Mad Science	Tuesday 4 June	4.00 – 5.00pm
Cycling	Tuesday 11 June	4.00 – 5.00pm
Cycling	Tuesday 18 June	4.00 – 5.00pm
Mad Science	Tuesday 25 June	4.00 – 5.00pm
Field Games	Tuesday 2 July	4.00 – 5.00pm
Dodgeball	Tuesday 9 July	4.00 – 5.00pm
Football	Tuesday 16 July	4.00 – 5.00pm
Graffiti Art	Tuesday 23 July	4.00 – 5.00pm
Start of Summer Holidays – Time Change		
Archery	Tuesday 30 July	11.00am – 12.00pm
Bubble Football	Tuesday 13 August	12.00 – 2.00pm
Celebration Event with food		

Central Park, PL2 3DG

Activity	Date	Time
Bubble Football	Tuesday 23 April	5.30 – 6.30pm
Archery	Tuesday 30 April	5.30 – 6.30pm
Graffiti Art	Tuesday 7 May	5.30 – 6.30pm
Football	Tuesday 14 May	5.30 – 6.30pm
Dodgeball	Tuesday 21 May	5.30 – 6.30pm
Pitch 'n' Putt	Tuesday 28 May	5.30 – 6.30pm
Mad Science	Tuesday 4 June	5.30 – 6.30pm
Cycling	Tuesday 11 June	5.30 – 6.30pm
Cycling	Tuesday 18 June	5.30 – 6.30pm
Mad Science	Tuesday 25 June	5.30 – 6.30pm
Foot Golf	Tuesday 2 July	5.30 – 6.30pm
Dodgeball	Tuesday 9 July	5.30 – 6.30pm
Football	Tuesday 16 July	5.30 – 6.30pm
Graffiti Art	Tuesday 23 July	5.30 – 6.30pm
Start of Summer Holidays – Time Change		
Archery	Tuesday 30 July	12.30 – 1.30pm
Bubble Football	Thursday 29 August	12.00 – 2.00pm
Celebration Event with food		



For more information please contact
Plymouth City Council's Sports Development Unit
on sportsdev@plymouth.gov.uk

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Celebrate Autism Awareness week with CAMHS!

Monday April 1st 2019

**12:30 – 3 pm at The Terraces,
Mount Gould Hospital**

**Drop-in event for school staff, parents and families to
learn more about local support and services**

Confirmed so far:

- * **Friends and Families of Special Children**
- * **Routeways**
- * **National Autistic Society – Plymouth Adult
Aspergers Branch**

**...plus members of the CAMHS Neuro-Developmental
team to answer your questions.**

World Autism Awareness Week 1st to 7th April 2019



ROUTEWAYS-SHORT BREAKS
For young people 8 – 18 years
with a SEND diagnosis

Full details, and booking at www.bookwhen.com/shortbreaks

Easter Short Breaks

10 am - 4 pm

£10 per young person



Visit to the
Donkey
Sanctuary
Monday 8th April

Gorge
Walking
Tuesday 9th
April



Rock
Climbing
Tuesday
16th April



Pirates v
Unicorns
Thursday
18th April



Registered Office Routeways Centre Limited, Devonport Park Activity Centre, Fore Street Plymouth, PL1 4BU
Charity Registration Number 1080543. Company Registration Number 3420867 www.routeways.org.uk

Plymouth Parent Carer Voice events

**29th April- Developing your
Behaviour Tool Box**

**8th May- Parent Carer SEND
conference**

**4th June - Sleep with
Cerebra- for Primary age
children**

**For attendance to any of these
events follow the link below and
book yourself a place!**

**[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ppcv-
accessing-public-services-with-cerebra-
tickets-56410915567](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ppcv-accessing-public-services-with-cerebra-tickets-56410915567)**



Argyle Easter Road shows

Follow the link to book
Football Activities
throughout the Easter holi-
days:

[https://
argylecommunitytrust.co.uk/online/easter-
roadshows/](https://argylecommunitytrust.co.uk/online/easter-roadshows/)

