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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF LEARNING

Children's food panel

Last week I shared the wonderful news that someone from Holy Cross had been chosen for the very first Ed's city-wide Children's Food Panel. I am delighted to announce that our representative is Nonny from Year 4! Nonny's application for the position of Food Director on the Children's food panel was successful. We are very proud of her achievement and know that she will make a very positive contribution to the panel.

Walk to school with Radio Plymouth

I was delighted that so many of you were able to join us for this morning's walk to school. Neil, from Radio Plymouth, and Suzanne, from Plymouth City Council, were equally pleased with the number of families participating. Not all of us live close enough to school to walk from home. Dunelm Mill offers a convenient alternative – you can park there at the beginning and end of each day and take the short walk to school. Please continue to support us to keep the children healthy and safe.

Next year

We have sent home a letter today regarding next year. Please look out for it. I am more than happy to meet with anyone who would like to discuss this further. More information will follow after half term.

Pen licence

I am delighted to announce that we now have children in year 3 who have been awarded a pen licence. Children who can show that they can join their writing neatly will be awarded a pen licence and a very special pen! We have just bought new pens which the children are very excited about. It is a privilege to be awarded one. This is all part of our whole school commitment to improving writing.

Healthy week

We are looking forward to our whole school healthy week after half term. Mrs Watters, our science lead, has organised an exciting programme of events for week beginning 12th June. We will be focusing in particular on dental health and healthy eating. More details to follow!

Year 6 residential

Our year 6 children have a very exciting week to look forward to next week! We are sure that they will enjoy the full programme of activities planned for them. Thank you to the staff who are accompanying – we would not be able to run residential without their support. We wish our year 6 children a very happy week!

Mathematics enrichment day

Four of our children attended a mathematics day this week. Look out for their report next week!

And finally...thank you for your continued support. It is much appreciated.

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Blood Pressure check

Parents are invited to have their blood pressure checked by the Stroke Association on the 12th June, in aid of Healthy Week. This will be done in the top playground from 2.50pm to 3.40pm, all invited.



The month of May is upon us and so we are preparing for the month in which traditionally we show special devotion to Mary, the mother of Jesus and in a spiritual sense, the mother of us all.

We are marking the month in a few ways and we hope you will be involved too. We are planning to convert a space in the hall into a chapel of Our Lady; we are hoping to welcome a statue of Mary from the Cathedral for the duration of the month and the children will be praying the Rosary each Friday morning in class throughout May. On Friday 5th May we will be holding a 'crowing procession'; a traditional practice in which hymns are sung and flowers laid in honour of Mary and the model of faith and service she is for us all. Details of all events will follow. The Legion of Mary in the city have also asked us to extend this invitation to you all for a special series of events:

Rosary o the Barbican

Please come and join us as we say the Rosary by Our Lady's Statue on the hill opposite the Mayflower Steps.

**7th, 14th, 21st & 28th May
at 3pm**

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:

WE ARE NOT ALONE

We are promised by Jesus that his presence is with us, even at times when it feels far away. Help us to trust in your word and to recognize your presence in quiet and unseen ways. We await your Spirit with joy.

Amen.



WONDERS OF THE WEEK

(Y6) (Y5) (Y4) (Y3)
(Oak) (Holly) (Maple)
(FS)



The winners were as follows:

1st St Theresa's
2nd St Andrew's
3rd St Jude's
4th St Julie's



ON TIME HEROES

Being at school on time is crucial for learning. Well done to **YEAR 5 AGAIN!, who are our 'On Time Heroes' this week!**

Top Table Awards

We are so proud of the winners of our Top Table awards this week:

Karen – nominated by Year 6 for helping with SATS week breakfast.
Arianne (Y5)
Emmanuel (Y4)
Kacper (Y3) Alfie (Oak)
Tiago (Holly)
Alexandra (Maple)
Lyan & Joshua (FS)

for showing exemplary behaviour during meal times this week.

OTHER AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES

For Jada (Y3) for receiving a certificate highly commending her entry in the Armed Forces Day Badge competition.

Thank you to you all for the kindness and generosity you have given to others.



Fizz Pop Science Club will start next term on a Tuesday for 5 weeks. There is one space left, be quick! However, if you are still interested and missed out, if you click on express your interest, they may consider doing a further class on a Monday if enough interest is shown. WWW.FIZZPOPSCIENCE.CO.UK And click on the 'Cloud'



Here is a list of some important dates confirmed for next term. All information is available on our website calendar.

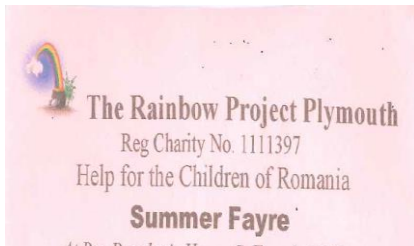
23rd May – Class Mass for Year 2 & 3
22nd to 26th May – Y6 Residential
8th June – Y6 Junior Life Skills
12th-16th June – Healthy Lunch Box Week
12th June – Parents blood pressure check
14th June – Y5 Notre Dame Challenge Day
21st June – Y6 visit to the Citadel
23rd June – Summer School Disco
FS, Y1 & Y2 - 4:30pm to 5:30pm
Y3, Y4, Y5, Y6 - 5:45pm to 7pm
27th to 29th June – Y4 Residential
28th June – Buckfast Abbey Trip
30th June – Sports Day
7th July – Reserve Sports Day
CHANGE OF DATE - 14th July – Summer Fayre 2 pm till 4:30pm
10th July – Festivals of Faiths Week
11th July – Y6 production @ pm
12th July – Y6 production @ 7pm
19th July – Year 6 Leavers Mass



Due to staff commitments next term there will be **NO** FILM CLUB. This will recommence in September 2017 and details will follow when we return to school in September.



The Children's University are holding a '90 minute workshop's' on
21st June 11-12.30 &
10th July 11-12.30
based at the AppleStore located in Drake Circus shopping Mall. The workshops are limited to 25 spaces and a minimum age of 9 years old.
If interested please contact Zoe Brodie (outreach officer) on 07790 592179.



23rd June – SCHOOL DISCO

FS, Y1 & Y2 4:30pm to 5:30pm

Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6 - 5:45pm to 7pm

Any helpers would be very much appreciated to help with door entry, tuck shop and general monitoring. If you would like to volunteer, please email: hc.ptfa@gmail.com

Thank you for all your support as always and have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Potterton and Mr Cotter



CHANGE OF DATE



14th July Summer Fair from 2pm until 4:30pm. Extra helpers to take a turn on our stalls would be greatly appreciated, contact email:

hc.ptfa@gmail.com



