

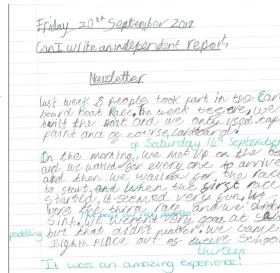


Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents,

Another week passes by and we continue to welcome new families to the school. Alex and Mia have joined David Walliams class, William is in Emma Carroll class and Riley has joined Simon James class. Well done Julia Donaldson class on surviving their first full week in school!

Firstly an update on the Boat race held last Saturday. The Year 6 team sailing their own boat, designed and made from cardboard by them, won their section of the event! What an achievement just for them to make the journey across the water without sinking! Thank you to all the staff and parents who turned out in support!



It was National Teaching Assistant day on Monday so we had the opportunity to thank our wonderful staff for what they do every day. Classes had made the Teaching Assistants a card and they were also presented with a 'survival kit.' Mrs Buscombe, the teachers and all the children did so well to keep this as a complete surprise!

On Tuesday we had a visit from Sue Errington who is helping us with our Global Learning Project. She introduced the children to our partner school - Katente West Catholic School in Uganda. Whilst it is only a taste of what we can learn from each other, we look forward to seeing this partnership grow over the coming year. Mrs King is leading the school in this.

The School Council elections were held recently and the children could take part in a democratic process. Our elected members are:

Simon James Class—Carter & Dylan
Roger Hargreaves Class—Noor H & Samuel
David Walliams Class—Iris & Gabriel
Anthony Horowitz Class—Joel & Ahrienne
J K Rowling Class— Fraser, Matthew & Amelia

Eric Carle Class—Teddy & Darcie
Roald Dahl Class—Harry & Talia
Morpurgo Class—Esme & Tiago
Emma Carroll Class—Daria & Nyla

It was great to see Emma Carroll class at Mass with Father Jacek this week. Next week, it is Anthony Horowitz's turn - Thursday 26th at 9.00 a.m. Parents are most welcome.

We had a lovely 'sombbrero' seat arrive for our library this week so we have a space and books to be proud of. We are now needing some parents to help us run our library system. If any of you can help us by being trained, then have some free hours, it would be great to have a 'team' of librarians! Please come and see me if you are able to help.

The McMillan Coffee afternoon and cake sale proved a real success and raised £228 for this fantastic cause. Thank you to all those who contributed.

We will be following the Rugby World Cup with huge interest over the coming weeks. Each class will be supporting and learning about a particular country. Mr Flashman and I will model great sportsmanship over this weekend as we will come back in on Monday and talk civilly to each other no matter who of the All Blacks or Springboks win!

Next Wednesday 25th is our PTFA meeting at 5.30 p.m. It would be wonderful if more parents could join our dedicated group who help raise additional funds for the school. Anyone who has a child in the school is welcome to come along. Have a lovely weekend.

Mr Cotter , Headteacher



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On Thursday 3rd October we will be holding our Harvest Mass at 9am. All parents and families would be most welcome to join us. At this time of year, we encourage the children to be thinking of others and as such are asking each child or family to donate an item for the Plymouth Food Bank. The Food Bank are always grateful for any donations of dried or tinned food. They would particularly welcome any donations of tinned fruit, long-life UHT milk, tinned fish, biscuits and tinned peas. Please could the donations be brought in by Tuesday 1st October and the children can bring in donations from Monday 23rd September. There will be a collection box in each classroom.

Thank you for your support

Susan Buscombe



On Friday 4th October it is the **CAFOD Harvest Day** and the theme this year is **brighten up** for CAFOD. On this day we will be holding a **muffin day** where we would like the children to come to school in brightly coloured clothes to support this worthwhile charity.

This term we have a weekly Mass in school on a Thursday morning at 9am. These will be led by a class or celebrated by the whole school. All parents and families are welcome to join with us at these special celebrations. Future dates for our Masses are as follows: -

26 th September	Anthony Horowitz
3 rd October	Whole School Harvest Mass
10 th October	Michael Morpurgo
7 th October	David Walliams
31 st October	Roald Dahl
7 th November	Whole School Remembrance Mass
14 th November	Roger Hargreaves
21 st November	Whole School Christ the King Mass
28 th November	Eric Carle Mass
5 th December	Whole School Mass

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:

Honesty



Dear Jesus, help me to remember that love is more important than money. Help me to remember that small things matter. Amen



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★ Stars of the Week ★

JD (FS):	_____
SJ (Y1):	Tristan
EC (Y 1/2):	Ella
RH (Y2):	Jack
RD (Y3):	Yuhan
DW (Y3/4):	Joseph
MM (Y4):	Tillie
AH (Y5):	Ava
EMC (Y5):	Adrian
RM (Y6):	Martin



Be In SCHOOL Be On TIME

EACH WEEK, WE
RECOGNISE AND
REWARD THOSE WITH THE
HIGHEST PERCENTAGE FOR
ATTENDANCE AND
PUNCTUALITY.

THIS WEEK WE SAY WELL
DONE TO:

Eric Carle (Yr 1/2)
Morpurgo (Yr 4)
J K Rowling (Y6)

**Our on time
Heroes
Well Done!**



Here is a list of some
important dates
confirmed for
this year.

All information is available
on our website
calendar.

Wednesday 25/09/19

**PTFA Meeting @
5.30pm**

w/c 21/10/19

Half term

Monday 28/10/19

Non-pupil day

Tuesday 29/10/19

Back to school

Tuesday 12/11/19

**Tempest Photography
(Individuals & siblings)**

Friday 15/11/19

School Discos

Friday 20/12/19

Last day of term

Monday 06/01/20

Non-Pupil Day

ALDI'S KIT FOR SCHOOLS

There are **20 prizes of £20,000** to be won.
All you have to do is get stuck in!

Will your school win £20,000?

From 6th September, Aldi's Kit for Schools promotion is giving 20 primary schools the chance to win £20,000 to kick-start a health legacy for their school. What's more, every school who enters by completing their Aldi's Kit for Schools poster will also receive an exclusive school sports kit! Collect a sticker with every £30 spent in store and fill up your school's poster for a chance to win.

HOUSE POINTS

1ST— St Andrew

2ND— St Jude

3RD— St Teresa

4TH— St Julie



School Council Newsletter

Recycling

Our theme for our next School Council Meeting is only about Recycling. We want to gather all your ideas for recycling day. We have started our project by throwing away all of our plastic cups and reusing plastic mugs. Next week, we are taking a trip to the Guild Hall to speak about recycling so please write down ideas on post it notes and give it to the School Councillor for your class.

Helping

We have decided to help the MTAs by mopping and brushing the hall. Soon we will pick playground monitors from each class to tidy the playgrounds.

Black History Day

In October it is Black History Day. Black History Day is about celebrating black people that have brought amazing things to the world. The School Council Team are going to give a presentation to the whole school. Each class are going to have a little project to work on after the assembly.

Clubs

In a few weeks there will be many child-led clubs that you could join, such as help and find club, book club and tech club. In the 'Help and Find' club we will build habitats for garden animals and help them if they need it. The Book club will be all about reading books and decorating book marks. In tech club you will play educational games.

**A BIG
THANK YOU**

THANK YOU FOR
HELPING US
RAISE A
MASSIVE
£228.00

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for Macmillan Cancer Support through our cake sale last week.

What a totally amazing total. Thank you for your kindness and cake contributions.



Have you signed your child up for this Winter's flu vaccine?

You should have received an e-mail regarding this Winter's nasal flu immunisation. We do recommend that you use this opportunity to sign your child up for the immunisation—the form is simple to use and only takes a couple of minutes.

The immunisations are due to take place **in school on 30th November**. The closing date for submitting your consent form online is 29th September. If you do not complete your request by that date, your child will not be able to join the vaccination programme at school, and instead you would need to take your child to their GP or an alternative provider.

If you do not wish your child to have the vaccine, you do not need to do anything.

5 reasons to get your child vaccinated

1. Protect your child.

The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia

2. Protect you, your family and friends.

Vaccinating your child will help protect more vulnerable friends and family

3. No injection needed.

The nasal spray is painless and easy to have

4. It's better than having flu.

The nasal spray helps protect against flu, has been given to millions of children worldwide and has an excellent safety record

5. Avoid costs.

If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare



**Bike
to School
Week 2019**
23 to 27 September

Kick start the new school term by taking part in Bike to School week. Take part in a nationwide challenge, whilst making memories, enjoying the fresh air and having loads of fun. Bike for 1 day or go all out for the five days, or combine some car journey with some scooting. Better yet, when you share your photos with us you could win a brand new Frog Bike from their Balance, First Pedal or Hybrid ranges. Follow @sustrans on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter and share photos of your family cycling or scooting to school with the **#SustransWin**


Benefits include healthier pupils, healthier gate, and benefits for pupils studying, and developing being independent and resilient.

Competition closes at 9 am on Monday 30 September 2019.



SHORT BREAKS
In partnership with the Sports Development Unit

FREE FAMILY FUN DAY
Plymouth Life Centre
Sunday 20th October 1pm to 5pm



If you are the parent or carer of a disabled child aged 6 to 18 years, this free event will enable your whole family to enjoy a range of activities.

Activities include climbing, trampolining, dodgeball, archery, table tennis, soft play, arts & crafts board games, followed by an hour's swim.

To be eligible to access this event your child must live in Plymouth and have a diagnosis of a disability and attend a special school or support centre, although they may still be eligible if they attend a mainstream school and are supported by an EHC Plan.

Booking is essential please contact the Sports Development Unit on 01752 307008
Email nyrene.dudley@plymouth.gov.uk

Time for You
Taster sessions on Monday's 30th September & 7th October 2019
8 weekly meetings from Monday 14th October 2019, 10am-12pm at Routeways

Time for YOU
Plymouth
A small supportive group for mums of children with additional needs



Use Creative tools + COACHING to:

Take time and space for YOU
Share how being a mum of a child with additional needs transforms us
Re-fuel, play with words and images and say what needs to be said
Listen to what YOU need and how this fits into your life



- A small, safe and supportive group for mothers
- Take time for you without your children
- We will use words, images & coaching tools
- No need to be 'creative' just willing to give it a go
- Your child doesn't need an official diagnosis

"For me the course was life changing. I'm now so much stronger, happier and looking forward to the future."

WHEN: Mondays 10-12am from 14th October
WEEKLY: 8 weekly meetings, term-time only
WHERE: Routeways, Devonport, Plymouth
COST: Free BOOKING ASAP ESSENTIAL

INTERESTED? email jo@mums4change.org or text 07855 529582
RUN BY: Jo Ball - Mf and career coach, mum of 2, with a background in Arts Therapy. SUPPORTED BY: Clare Gale. Clare has a son with complex medical needs and loved the group so much she wanted to help share it with others.

Could this be for you?
Book a place on our Taster Sessions
30th Sept + 7th Oct
Text 07855 529582
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St Boniface's Catholic College

Open Evening
for Year 4, 5 & 6 students and families


Tuesday September 24, 2019 at 6pm



Dream. Believe. Achieve.

Meet our new Headteacher - Mrs Cox, and take part in student-led tours of our school

New leadership - Bespoke curriculum for boys - New dedicated pastoral team
Central location on major bus routes - 160 years of history - Proud traditions
New teachers - Focus on extracurricular sports & enrichment opportunities

ParentPay

Please remember that your ParentPay Account **MUST NOT** go into debit. You must ensure that you always have sufficient monies within your account at all times. We are continually having to chase debtors which is both costly and time consuming.

Thank you all for your support, as always. See you next week.
Have a wonderful weekend
Mr Cotter and staff