



Mount Tamar
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2019

The Tamar Weekly



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A word from the Headteacher...

New rooms, new staff and up a year! Well done to all the pupils for their calm move and helping to make their new rooms look great already. This has been a great term with the start of Commando Joe's in particular, lots of residentials and a Dartmoor Adventure where the older pupils spent a night under the stars and eating Rabbit! It really is all about getting out of your comfort zone and challenging yourself if you really want to achieve.

This week we started a real push at finding a new centre for our Aspire pupils. There have been a few issues with the Youth Centres which I am very sorry about, this has meant that the accommodation is really not good enough for those of you who are based there. I am in discussion with the Local Authority, Governors and also Plymouth Council Property team and I am determined to find a building that you all deserve. I met with Tracey Lee the Plymouth Chief Executive last week and also John Taylor, Cabinet member for education this week to discuss this and also the main school secondary roof issue. I will get improvement!

I will be going to the House of Commons on June 5th to celebrate our TES achievement and flying the flag for not only Mount Tamar but Plymouth in general. I will let you know how it goes.

This half term is not a holiday for some at Mount Tamar. Ian our site Manager is overseeing improvements to the school canteen where we are installing a new salad bar so that we can offer an increasingly healthy choice to the pupils. The acoustic panels have worked well in the canteen to calm the sound therefore we are having them installed in the Sports Hall and also a new heating system so hopefully it will be very cosy in there for everyone. Watch out for these special events:

Tuesday July 2nd Presentation evening, BBQ and parents evening
Sports Day at Brickfields Friday morning 5th July
Street Factory Performance Friday 19th July

Please keep up to date with all that is happening through our Facebook and Twitter pages, we use social media daily to update and inform carers and parents of what has been going on in and around school and future events. We are always striving for excellence, if you have any suggestions for how we can improve come in and have a chat to Hayley or Sandra.



Shortlisted
Alternative provision school of the year



Dates for your Diary

Thursday 6th June- Parent/Carer Coffee Morning

Monday 10th June- Healthy Eating Week

Thursday 20th June- Parent/Carer Coffee Morning



Forest School



Healthy Eating Week

Healthy Eating week begins on 10th June. Students will be doing lots of activities around the theme of healthy eating in school that week. We are going to end the week with a healthy food picnic to which you are all invited. More details soon.

Thought of the week...

Somewhere,
someone is
happy with
less than you
have.



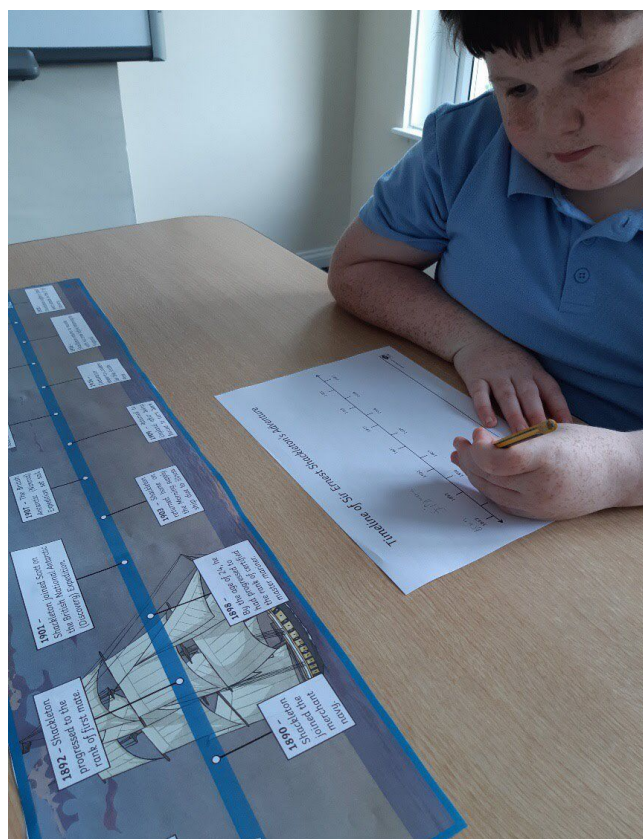
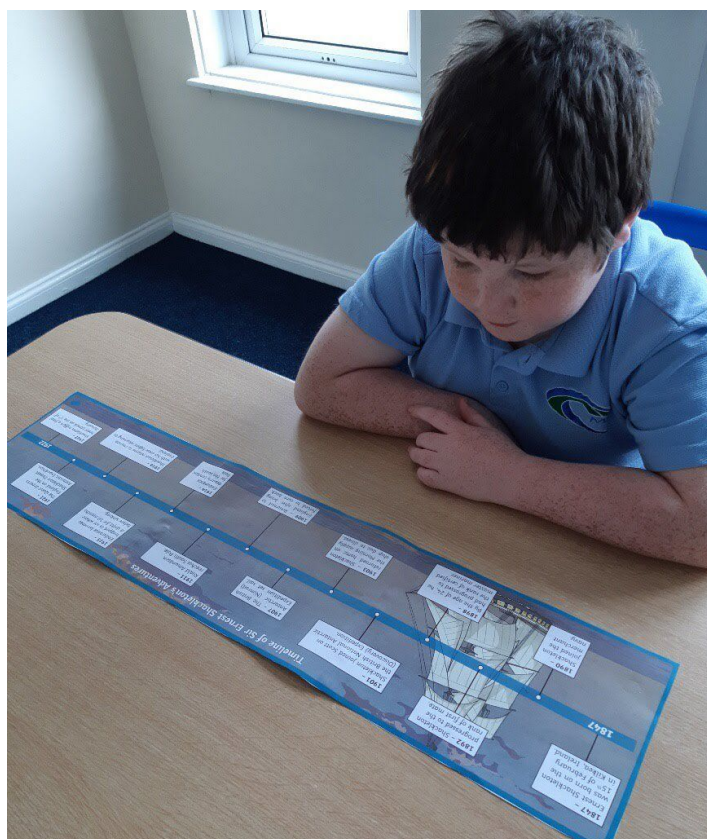
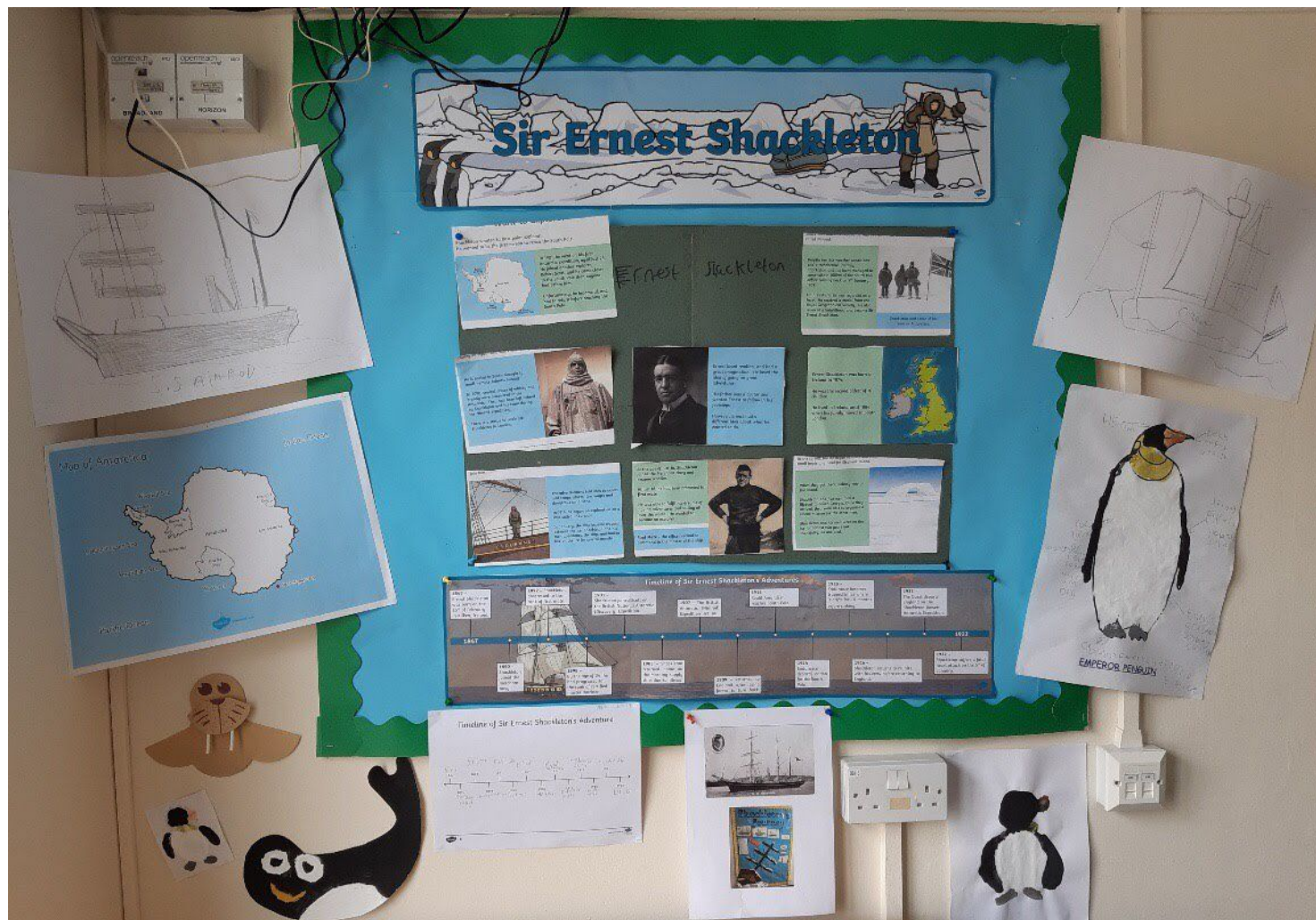
Plymouth Half Marathon

It was our first Plymouth Half Marathon! - what a fabulous experience for our young people. It was so touching to see so many young people supported by the staff that work with them.



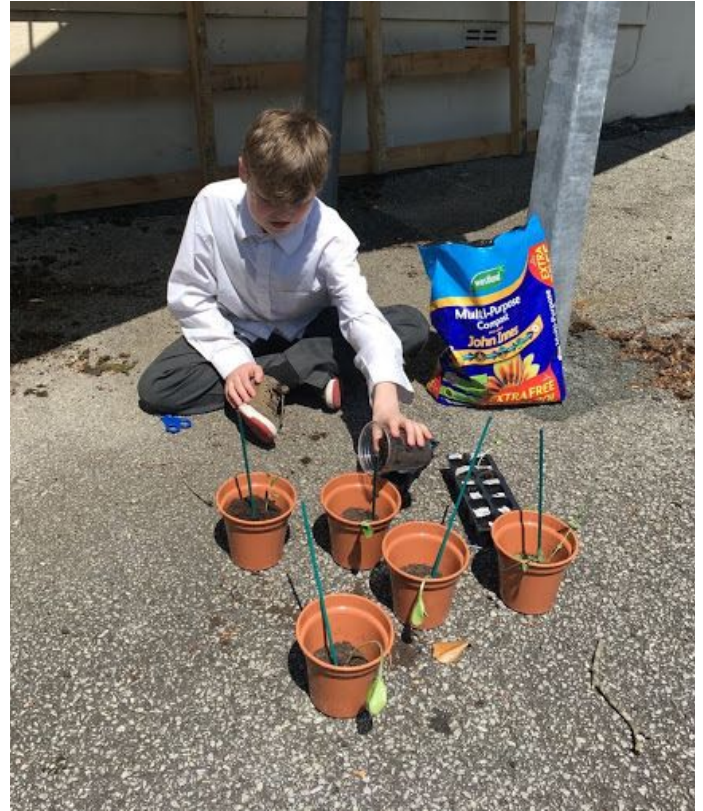
Shackleton's Timeline

Here's Alfie getting to grips with Shackleton's timeline. Awesome work Alfie, well done!



CR Class Science Project

Class CR from the Prospect Centre have been working on their science project this week. They have been measuring their plants' growth over the past week and recording the data.



Spiced Peaches

Students made spiced peaches just like the character Katherine Barlow from the book *Holes* this week. They have been tried and tested and Quinn wasn't impressed!



EW Class

Class EW enjoyed an afternoon out today to celebrate staying together for another academic year. A quick trip to the shop to see who could get the most for their money of £1 each (Mrs Wilton had to get some Maths in somewhere) followed by the park where pupils discovered their balancing skills and socially interacted together in another environment.



CR Class

Class CR getting ready to watch Holes. Awesome way to finish off this terms English Topic. Thanks to our parents for all the snacks!



Amended GCSE Exam Timetable

Please see the list below which shows which pupils have been entered for each GCSE exam. **Please also view the updated GCSE exam timetable which can be found on the next page for times and dates.**

English	Maths	Biology	Physics	Comp Studies
Akira K A	Akira K A	Akira K A	Jake A	Zak Richardson
Jake A	Kyle B	Jayden O	Sam Harvey	
Zak R	Jayden O	Zak R		
	Zak R	Jake A		
	Jake A			
	Shannon P			
	Sam Harvey			

Amended GCSE Exam Timetable

Morning Start 9.30

Afternoon Start 1.00 pm

Exam Timetable 2019 Maths English and Science							
Cambridge	627	English First language (Core)	Paper 1	Core	1 Hour 30 Mins	Tuesday	7th May 2019 PM
OCR	J276-01	Computer Science (Systems)	Paper 1	Foundation Tier	1 Hour 30 Mins	Monday	13th May 2019 AM
AQA	8461/1F	Biology	Paper 1	Foundation Tier	1 Hour 45 Mins	Tuesday	14th May 2019 PM
OCR	J276-02	Comp thinking and Algorithms	Paper 2	Foundation Tier	1 Hour 30 Mins	Thursday	16th May 2019 PM
Pearson Edexcel	1MA1 1F	Mathematics	Paper 1	Calculator Foundation	1 Hour 30 Mins	Tuesday	21st May 2019 AM
AQA	8463/1F	Physics	Paper 1	Foundation Tier	1 Hour 45 Mins	Wednesday	22nd May 2019 PM
Pearson Edexcel	1MA1 2F	Mathematics	Paper 2	Foundation Tier	1 Hour 30 Mins	Thursday	6th June 2019 AM
AQA	8461/2F	Biology	Paper 2	Foundation Tier	1 Hour 45 Mins	Friday	7th June 2019 PM
Pearson Edexcel	1MA1 3F	Mathematics	Paper 3	Foundation Tier	1 Hour 30 Mins	Tuesday	11th June 2019 AM
AQA	8463/2F	Physics	Paper 2	Foundation Tier	1h 45m	Friday	14 June 2019 AM

Term Dates 2019/2020



May Half Term

- First day back to school: 3rd June 2019

Summer Holidays

- Last day of term: 26th July 2019
- First day back to school: 4th September 2019

October Half Term

- Last day of term: 18th October 2019
- First day back to school: 5th November 2019

Christmas Holidays

- Last day of term: 20th December 2019
- First day back to school: 6th January 2020

February Half Term

- Last day of term: 14th February 2020
- First day back to school: 24th February 2020

Easter Holidays

- Last day of term: 27th March 2020
- First day back to school: 14th April 2020

May Bank Holiday

- 4th May 2020-

May Half Term

- Last day of term: 22nd May 2020
- First day back to school: 1st June 2020

Summer Holiday

- Last day of term: 24th July 2020

Coffee Morning for Parents & Carers



Next coffee morning dates:

6th June

20th June

4th July

18th July

**Please come along to this informal
get together. It's a lovely opportunity
to meet other parents and carers.**

Saturday 4th May

St Georges Day/Devonport

Saturday 11th May

Pirate Treasure Trail

Saturday 18th May

Pirate craft/ Sailing

Saturday 25th May

Elmer Trail

Monday 27th May

Elmer Craft

Wednesday 29th May

Elephant stomp

Friday 31st May

Create your own Elmer

Saturday 1st June

Beckly Open Day



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT THE BECKLY OFFICE

Email beckly@routeways.org.uk Tel 01752 484433

All sessions make use of all the resources at Beckly and are offered on an open access basis.
Pre- registration and booking essential.

Contact us for registration pack, more information and details of session charges.

Soccer Roadshows

Our Soccer Roadshows are age and football specific with the emphasis on fun, enjoyment and development. Sessions include skills, technique, competitions and small sided games.

Girls Only Roadshow Special

Our Girls Soccer Roadshows Specials are age and football specific with the emphasis on fun, enjoyment and development. Sessions include skills, technique, competitions and small sided games.

Disability Football & Shortbreaks

Disability Roadshow: A fun-filled day packed with football games in an inclusive and comfortable environment. The day is tailored for children with a physical impairment, learning disability or mental health condition. **Shortbreaks:** Half day of football and multi sport activities for children ages 7-14 with either Autism or ADHD. Limited to 14 spaces per day!

Tiny Tots

Tiny Tots football sessions are aimed at three – six year olds, who are experiencing their first taste of a structured coaching session. The sessions are staffed at a ratio of 4 coaches to 16 children. The emphasis is to improve listening and concentration skills whilst working on balance and co-ordination. The children can develop in a safe and fun environment over the duration of the sessions.

Activities Day

Come and join us for a fun-filled day where you will have the opportunity to participate in a number of activities including football, golf, pool, table-tennis, computer gaming, art and crafts and lots more.

Match Day Special

Come and experience a day packed with all kinds of matches, from 2 a side competitions up to 7 v 7 games. The day is designed to improve each individual player's game understanding and awareness.

PL Future Star Day

Premier League Future Stars day is a fun based multi-sports activities from Football, Handball, dodgeball from learning the sports to engaging within competitions. Focused around the Core PL Stars Values of: Be Connected, Be Ambitious, Be Fair, Be Inspiring – Can you be the next future star?

Whitsun Special

Finish off the Whitsun holidays in style with an action-packed day filled with sessions, competitions and matches from the Argyle Community Trust coaches. Every participant will walk away with a prize, sweets and a certificate.

Courses in and around:

Plymouth | North Devon & Cornwall | East Cornwall | Cornwall

All courses for boys and girls of all abilities aged 5 - 15 years

New membership reward cards available

Courses run from 10am to 3pm with the exception of Tiny Tots 10am to 12pm



Argyle Soccer Roadshows

WHITSUN HOLIDAYS 2019



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Additional sports and activities available

Reduced rates available by booking online for all courses over £10

Please call 01752 562561 ext 4 for sibling discount if you have 3 or more children, online price not applicable.*

*Online discounts not applicable for phone bookings

Prices from £5 - £30

Registration opens at 9.40am

All courses for boys and girls of all abilities aged 5 - 15 years

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PLYMOUTH

VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME	NO.
Plymouth Argyle FC, Home Park	Tues 28th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	P1
Plympton Academy	Tues 28th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	P2
Ivybridge Community College	Tues 28th May	£16	£12	Strikers & Goalkeepers	P3
Manadon Sports and Community Hub	Weds 29th May	£10	£8	PL Primary Stars Day	P4
Plymouth Argyle FC, Home Park	Thurs 30th May	£10	£8	Activities Day	P5
Plymouth Argyle FC, Home Park	Thurs 30th May	£5	£5	Tiny Tots (10am-12pm)	P6
Wembury Primary	Thurs 30th May	£10	£8	Soccer Roadshow	P7
Plymouth Argyle FC, Home Park	Fri 31st May	£18	£13	Whitsun Special	P8

EAST CORNWALL

VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME	NO.
Lanivet Community Centre	Tues 28th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	E1
Callington YMCA (College 3G)	Tues 28th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	E2
Saltsash Net Community College	Weds 29th May	£16	£12	Match Day Special	E3
Lux Park Leisure Centre Liskeard	Thurs 30th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	E4
Lanivet Community Centre	Fri 31st May	£18	£13	Whitsun Special	E5
Lanivet Community Centre	Fri 31st May	£14	£10	Girls Only RS Special	E6

DISABILITY

VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME	NO.
Short breaks	Tues 28th May	£5	£5	Football and multi sports	D1
Disability Football Roadshow	Thurs 30th May	£12	£10	PAN Disability	D2
Disability Football Roadshow	Thurs 30th May	£10	£8	PAN Disability Half Day	D3

NORTH DEVON & CORNWALL

VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME	NO.
St Josephs School, Launceston	Tues 28th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	N1
St Teath FC	Tues 28th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	N2
Wadebridge Primary School (2 day course)	Wed 29th & Thur 30th May	£30	£22	Soccer Roadshow	N3
Bude FC	Thurs 30th May	£16	£12	Search For A Star	N4
St Josephs School, Launceston	Fri 31st May	£18	£13	Whitsun Special	N5
St Teath FC	Fri 31st May	£18	£13	Whitsun Special	N6

MID CORNWALL

VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME	NO.
Penair School, Truro	Tues 28th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	MC1
Pohar School, St Austell	Thurs 30th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	MC3
Falmouth School	Fri 31st May	£18	£13	Whitsun Special	MC4

WEST CORNWALL

VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME	NO.
Helston Football Club	Tues 28th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	WC1
Carn Brea Leisure Centre, Pool	Weds 29th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	WC2
Illogan Football Club	Thurs 30th May	£16	£12	Soccer Roadshow	WC3
Pool Academy	Fri 31st May	£18	£13	Whitsun Special	WC4

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All courses over £10
are available to book at discounted rate online

PLYMOUTH INFORMATION ADVICE AND SUPPORT FOR SEND



For Your Interest: May 2019

Are you looking for things to do in the Plymouth area over the school holidays including activities suitable for young people with special educational needs and disabilities SEND?

If so, our May 2019 edition of For Your Interest is now available to download from our website and includes many FREE activities and events.

Download the latest edition:

[For Your Interest: May 2019](#)
(PDF - 8.93MB)

FOR YOUR INTEREST
May 2019
Please take a copy

Schools Out... for Whitsun Holidays!
There are lots of excellent activities and events in the Plymouth area scheduled for families over the school holidays and beyond.

Take a look and see what's on offer... there's lots to see and do and many activities are **FREE**

We are looking for Volunteers to join our Service Users Advisory Group
Terms of reference for the Service Users' Advisory Group:

- Monitor, review and evaluate the effectiveness and impact of PIAS in relation to the Department for Education Quality Standards.
- Discuss and prioritise PIAS initiatives to be developed.
- Check carefully and with rigour that PIAS provides neutral and impartial information and advice to parents and when doing so differentiates Local Authority policies from existing legislation, available government guidance or independent advisory organisation guidance.
- Ensure PIAS is accessible to all sections of the community in Plymouth.
- Take an active role in promoting the work of PIAS.

The next meeting is on Thursday 2 June 2019 at 4pm.

If you would like to volunteer or for more information, please contact bob.tuckton@plymouth.gov.uk

PLYMOUTH INFORMATION ADVICE AND SUPPORT FOR SEND

If you would like to be added to our mailing list to hear about future editions of our newsletter, please contact: suzanne.davey@plymouth.gov.uk


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LOST PROPERTY

We have recently received a lot of feedback from parents and carers that children are “misplacing” items of school uniform. We appreciate that this can be costly and want to try to help as much as possible.

As such, we now have a new system in place in school.

We now have a lost property “container” that will be stored in the kitchen next to reception. Cleaners and hostel staff will place any items found in this bin. Hopefully, this will make it easier for children, staff and parents to find any missing items.

Please note that the container will be emptied at the end of each term.

Also be aware that you can always give me a call to have a look for you.

Kind Regards
Hayley
01752 355018

HappyMaps⁹



A website for parents and carers.

Reliable and up-to-date resources on
emotional health for your children.

For all ages from babies to young adults.

www.happymaps.co.uk

Worried about your child's behaviour or mental health ?

Not sure where to start looking for help ?

HappyMaps will guide you to websites, books, videos and
Apps to help you and your child plus there is information
on being referred for specialist help, how to find
counselling and parent support groups.



SEA-ing Changes is a collaboration between Arterne: Enriching the next generation CIC and Beach Schools South West which offers an activity based group programme on the beach, for whole families, focused on mental health promotion and behavioural aspects. Families are invited to attend 5 sessions on the beach and will take part in a number of activities and discussions. The group programme can take place during all weathers.

1.	4 th May 2019 (provisional) 09:30 – 12:30 / 13:30 – 16:30	Bovisand Beach
2.	18 th May 2019 (provisional) 09:30 – 12:30 / 13:30 – 16:30	Bovisand Beach
3.	1 st June 2019 (provisional) 09:30 – 12:30 / 13:30 – 16:30	Bovisand Beach
4.	15 th June 2019 (provisional) 09:30 – 12:30 / 13:30 – 16:30	Bovisand Beach
5.	29 th June 2019 (provisional)ffn 09:30 – 12:30 / 13:30 – 16:30	Bovisand Beach

If you are a professional wanting to reserve a place for a family, please contact Arterne CIC on 07554665461 or Beach Schools South West on 07824388079

Arterne website details: www.arterne.com

Beach Schools South West website details: www.beachschoolssouthwest.co.uk

Progeny

Parent and Carer Workshops Mental Health Awareness and Young People

Location	Date and Time
Courtlands Special School	Wednesday 12th June 2019 9;30am-11:30am

These workshops are split into a 1 hour information session with the second hour providing an opportunity for Parents and Carers to ask questions/gain information from a panel of professionals comprising of The Zone, CAMHS and Young Devon.

Please contact The Zone for further information and to book these sessions.

The Zone

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Plymouth Parent Carer Voice Events

The information below is about forthcoming events that parents and carers with children and young people with SEND might like to be involved with.



- [Family Fun Day](#) - Wednesday 20 February 2019
A family fun day for families with children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities.
- [Accessing Public Services with CEREBRA](#) - Monday 4 March 2019
A workshop for parents / carer and professionals who support them.
- [Behaviour Toolkit \(Primary\)](#) - Monday 29 April 2019
A workshop for families wanting support in making a behaviour plan.
- [SEND parent carer Conference](#) 9.30-2.30 Wednesday 8th May 2019
<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ppcv-parent-carer-send-conference-080519-tickets-56588074454>
- [Sleep with Cerebra - Primary School](#) at the Guildhall 10-2pm Tuesday 4th June 2019 for parents and carers
- <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/ppcv-sleep-with-cerebra-primary-school-tickets-56946061202>

Bookings can be made through Eventbrite by clicking the links above.

For more information please contact Claire Paddon at: claire@plymouthpcv.co.uk