



Mount Tamar
Aspire - Adventure - Achieve



5th July
2019

The Tamar Weekly



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A word from the Headteacher...

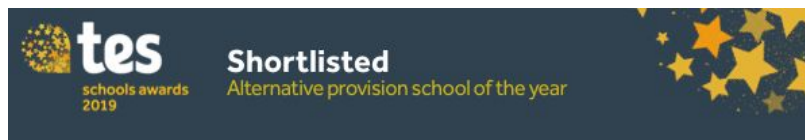
What an amazing week that was!

The school annual BBQ and presentation evening on Tuesday followed by a morning of sport at Brickfields. Thanks go out to all of you who came along to support both events, and for the great positive feedback you gave us. It is always nice to hear positives as well as letting us know how we can improve. In the next few weeks we are having a focus on kindness along with reminding pupils of the basics we expect at Mount Tamar such as; no mobile phones, always wearing smart uniform and being punctual to lessons.

Street Factory Performance is next, with our performers putting the final touches to their acts. Good luck to them.

Personally, the best part of my days at school are when I can see the pupils smiling and just losing themselves in what they are doing. Have a look at the MT Facebook pages for sports day and you will see what I mean.

As well as being shortlisted for the TES Awards in London, we had staff gain Pearson Awards.



This week I found out that Wendy Pannell, Claire Ritchie and Mandy Carroll have been shortlisted for the Plymouth Star Awards. We will have to wait until September to find out if they are the winners. Well done to them.

Dates for your Diary

Thursday 18th July- PSA Coffee Morning

Friday 19th July- Street Factory Performance

Wednesday 24th-Friday 26th July-Activities Week



Word of the Week

w/c: 8/7/19

Selfless: to be concerned with the needs and wishes of others.



School Uniform Details

School Uniform can be purchased from Trutex Schoolwear and More, Unit 3 Sugar Mill Retail Park, Billacombe Road, Plymouth, PL9 7HT

Tel: 01752 491353 Email: plymouth@trutex.com

List of Prices:

Blazer- £29

Bookbag- £7

Fleece- £18

Tie- £7

Polo Top- £9 (increasing to £10 for adult sizes)

Sweatshirt- £12



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PE Kit Details

PE Kit can be purchased from

<https://kitworld.uk/product-category/mount-tamar/>

Or you can go in to the shop at Unit 319-320
Faraday Mill, Plymouth, PL4 0ST

Tel: 01752 265533

List of Prices:

PE Top- £15 or £18 for larger sizes

Mid layer- £26.50

Tracksuit Bottoms- £24

Leggings (for girls)- £24



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Celebrating Diversity Week



CR Class Nature Collage

On Tuesday CR Class completed some leaf and tree rubbings as well as a nature collage. They then played in the river!



Thorpe Park Visit

Residential staff received a grant from Happy Days charity early in April, and booked 10 pupil spaces at Thorpe park. We took 5 school pupils who have displayed positive behaviours this year, and 5 residential/independent pupils from the hostel. We set off at 5am, and arrived on time at 9.45. We managed to go on all the major rides and a fantastic time was had by all. Note to others travelling to Thorpe park; Do not have all you can eat pizza buffet and then ride rollercoasters, just in case you didn't know!! A great time was had by all and the behaviour was outstanding. Bear in mind the pupils spent 9 hours of the day in a car!! Well done boys!!



Thorpe Park Visit



Mrs Brown's Bakery

Class SP made some delicious treats at Mrs Brown's Bakery this week.



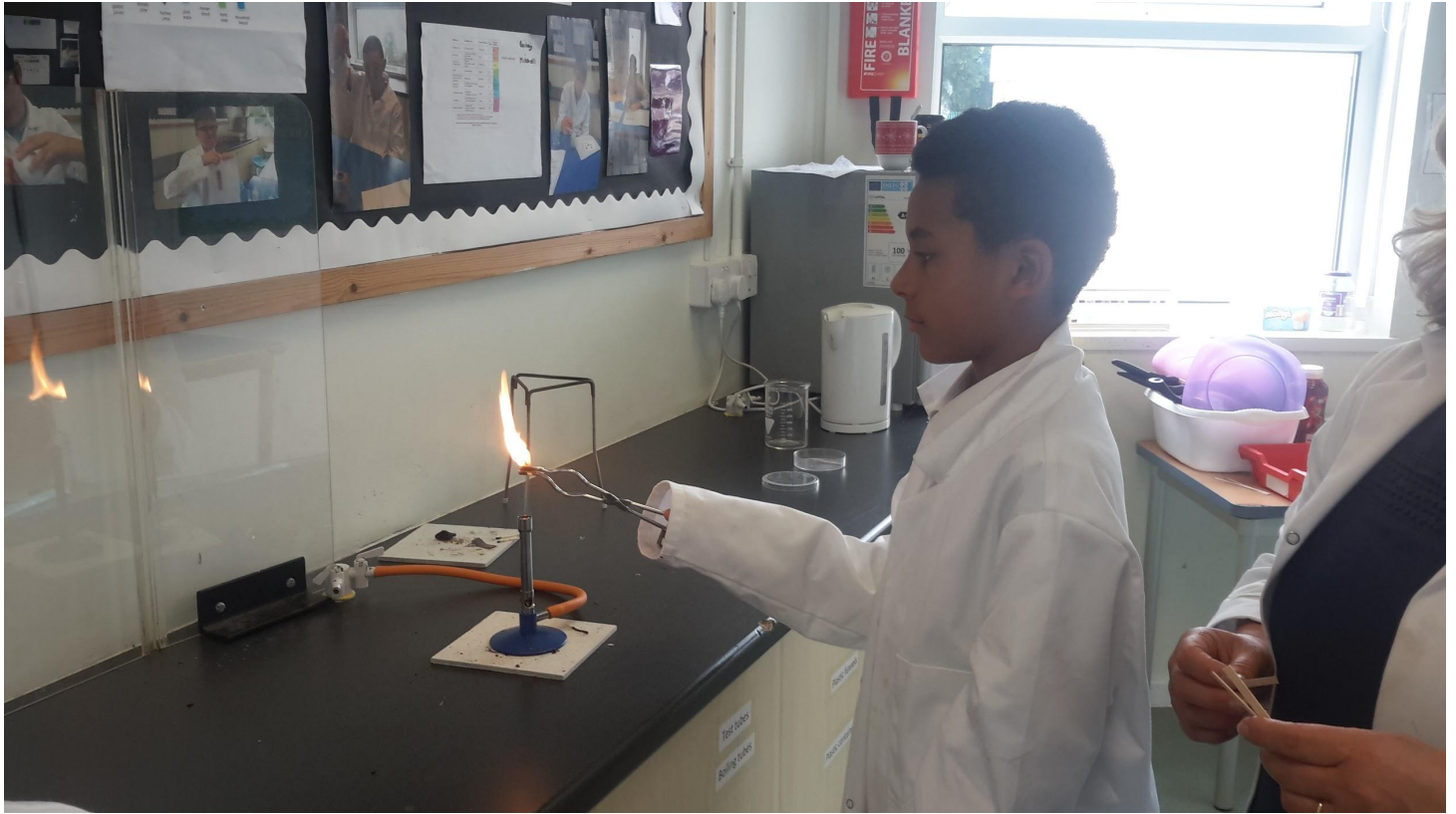
Exploding Fairy cakes with Year 10

We added sodium hydrogen carbonate (Baking powder) to some fairy cakes, to see if CO_2 would be produced. We wanted to see how much the cake would rise when the gas was produced. A heaped dessert spoon was used, the cakes rose and exploded and they didn't taste too good either. The normal cakes were delicious!



Physical or Chemical changes with Year 8

Burning magnesium to investigate physical or chemical changes.



Testing Chocolate marshmallows with Year 11

Investigating physical & chemical changes with chocolate marshmallows.



News from Downham

The boys at Downham have made their own lunch on Friday, they made homemade burgers and really enjoyed them. Well done boys you did a great job.

We also took a walk to Radford park to make the most of the good weather while doing our social skills. Everyone had a good day and really bonded as a class.



Term Dates 2019/2020



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

- The early **May bank holiday** in **2020** will move from Monday 4 **May** to Friday 8 **May** to mark the 75th anniversary of VE Day which takes place on 8 **May**, and enable people to pay tribute to those who served in one of the most significant events in our country's history, Business Secretary Greg Clark announced

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:

18th July

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

Brilliant Jewellery Making Session Last Week



What a brilliant time we had this morning. Lots of lovely items were made and we will definitely be repeating this in September—there was even talk of having a stall at the Christmas Fair. We also enjoyed a visit from our School Governor—Tony Carson.

Plymouth Graduated Approach to Inclusion Document – Consultation

The Code of Practice places a duty on local authorities to describe the provision for SEND that families can expect to find in schools.

The **Plymouth Graduated Approach to inclusion document** is currently in the process of being drafted and we would welcome your feedback.

The document has a number of important functions, which include:

- 1. Clarifying for families that they can expect schools to provide, for example, at SEN support**
- 2. Providing a reference point for ensuring that a request for an EHC plan needs assessment is appropriate.**

The details of the first consultation event are:

Date: Tuesday 16th July 2019

Time: 9.30am-11.30am

Location: Guildhall

This is an event for families and professionals.

Places can be booked through Claire Paddon: claire@plymouthpcv.co.uk

The document can be found [here](#).

The document will have a significant impact on practice across the local area – it is important that you have an opportunity to have your say from the earliest point.

Kind regards

Jim Barnicott and Claire Paddon

SEND Strategic Advice and Service and Plymouth Parent Carer Voice (PPCV)

Reminder



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

Summer Short Breaks Sessions

Horizons Sailing



Friday 16th ,23rd and 30th August 16

10 - 4pm

Horizons, Mayflower Marina,
Richmond walk,
Plymouth,
PL1 4LS



A days sailing from
Mayflower Marina, with
Horizons Plymouth.

Full details and booking at
bookwhen.com/shortbreaks

Horizons Plymouth is a charity that provide educational opportunities for ages 8 - 19, to increase self-confidence and practical skills through water based activities.

booking now open : www.bookwhen.com/shortbreaks

TEL: 01752 300700

Tuesday Sessions
Out and About

30TH JULY
ROCK SCRAMBLING

6TH AUGUST
ROCK CLIMBING

13TH AUGUST
BODMIN MOOR

20TH AUGUST
GORGE WALKING

27TH AUGUST
VISIT TO THE
ARBORETUM

Thursday Sessions
On Site

1ST AUGUST
WOODWORKING

8TH AUGUST
SURVIVAL DAY

15TH AUGUST
ART WORKSHOP
JUNK &
CLAY SCULPTURES

22ND AUGUST
TRAINS, BOATS
& PLANES

29TH AUGUST
TREASURE HUNT/
ORIENTEERING

All sessions 10 am -4 pm Cost £10.00 per session.
Open to young people 8-18 yrs, with a SEND diagnosis,
who do not currently receive a care package,
& struggle to access mainstream provision.



Fit and Fed
Plymouth

FIT N FED

**FREE, FUN, FITNESS
ACTIVITIES**

FOR AGES 8 -18 YRS

**NB MUST BE IN RECEIPT
OF FREE SCHOOL MEALS
TO QUALIFY.**



MON

THEME

Music,dance
and
mindfulness

**29TH JULY
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

TUES

THEME

Athletics
and
team games

**30TH JULY
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

WED

THEME

Gardening
and
growing your lunch

**31ST JULY
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

THURS

THEME

Adventurous
fun fitness
at Beckly

**1ST AUGUST
10-2**

The Beckly Centre

**5TH AUGUST
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

**6TH AUGUST
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

**7TH AUGUST
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

**8TH AUGUST
10-2**

The Beckly Centre

**12TH AUGUST
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

**13TH AUGUST
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

**14TH AUGUST
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

**15TH AUGUST
10-2**

The Beckly Centre

**19TH AUGUST
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

**20TH AUGUST
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

**21ST AUGUST
10-2**

Devonport Park
Activity Centre

**22ND AUGUST
10-2**

The Beckly Centre



Booking through
www.bookwhen.com/shortbreaks
All enquiries 01752 300700

Registered Office Routeways Centre Limited,
Devonport Park Activity Centre,Fore Street Plymouth, PL4 4BU
Charity Registration Number 1080543. Company Registration Number 3420867
www.routeways.org.uk

**Children's
Minds~Families
Matter**

Saturday 20th July

2-4 pm

Devonport Park Activity Centre,

Fore Street

Plymouth PL1 4BU



Pizza, Play and Planning ahead for September

**Free activity, support & participation group for families
supporting young people with mental and emotional health
issues**

Hosted by Routeways & Plymouth Parent Carer Voice

Ruth Houghton CAMHS Community team.

James Cook Child Development Centre

Questions?

Contact Rose Taylor at Routeways 01752 856719



Web: www.routeways.org.uk
Email: rtaylor@routeways.org.uk



Fit and Fed

Summer Activities 2019

Enjoy a happy and healthy holiday
with our **FREE** **Fit and Fed** holiday clubs!

The Fit and Fed holiday programme provides meals and activities to children on free school meals in Plymouth during the summer holidays. This year it's being funded by the Department for Education.

There are over 45 holiday clubs offering a range of different activities, from street dance to science workshops and water sports to coding. Inside this brochure you will find information on all the exciting clubs on offer.

All of our clubs are run by experienced organisations who will provide a safe and welcoming experience where children will have fun and make new friends.

There really is something for everyone this summer, so book today.

For more information please contact the Sports Development Unit:

01752 307008

sportsdev@plymouth.gov.uk

www.plymouth.gov.uk/fitandfed



@sportplymouth



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Argyle Community Trust

Learn . Play . Succeed

SHORT BREAKS

Running during school half terms and summer



**Short Breaks is for children
with Autism or ADHD, aged 7-14.**

**Enjoy football games and
other fun activities.**

**www.bookwhen.com/shortbreaks
or contact 01752 300700**



Sessions run from 10am - 1pm on Monday and Tuesday

Just £5 per session

Open to children aged from 7 - 14

Held at Home Park, Plymouth, PL2 3DQ

**For more information call 01752 300700
or e-mail josh.grant@paftc.co.uk**