



Mount Tamar  
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# The Tamar Weekly



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# A word from the Headteacher...

Another week and more has been happening at Mount Tamar. Pupils from Beacon have again been engaging in some art, other pupils have been on adventures to the beach. As the bank holiday approaches, I would like to remind everyone to stay safe and to stock up on suncream, it looks like it's going to be hot! Have a good weekend.

We always appreciate feedback. If you ever have ideas or suggestions we would love to hear them. The staff also love praise so if we have done well let us know!

## Air art at Beacon

Ricky from the therapy team has spent some time at the Beacon Centre with the pupils. As they have been so keen recently to get on with their Art work, he has introduced them to some air art. The pupils really engaged and then produced some fantastic work. Well done all!



## Drake's View

This week pupils at Drake's View have been busy on lots of different activities. The pupils went to Trethorne leisure park, played on the bikes in the sunshine, and also went to the cinema to see the new Avengers film. If anyone is interested in using Drake's View residential, please contact the school for more information.

# Sausages in the Sun

This week Mr Laskey's class had the privilege of taking a trip down to the beach to study the environment. The class spent time rockpooling, looking for pebbles and playing in the sand. After this the class spent some time gathering firewood, and then the staff and pupils all sat down and roasted some sausages on an open fire.



# Careers fair

March 27<sup>th</sup> 2018 was a big day for Mount Tamar.

This was the day of the Annual Careers Fair and this year it was the biggest by far with 20 stall holders outlining careers and training provisions for our students. Further to this we had also invited other mainstream Special schools from Plymouth to the event.

Brook Green and Longcause Schools brought over many of their Key Stage 4 students to speak to some of the employers and training providers. The stallholders fielded a huge amount of questions regarding the World of Work which ensured that the students left with further understanding of their career pathways.



# A letter from St Budeaux community centre

We received this lovely letter by email to the Headteacher:-

FOR THE ATTENTION OF MR BRETT STORRY

Hello.

I write to advise you of the stirring work that your staff member Jody Stevens and your pupil Charlotte Harris has done in the planting of plants in the St. Budeaux Square flower beds.

Charlotte has been actively involved in weeding and planting in the allocated bed and has committed herself to ensuring the need for care in planting these delicate plants. I have found her pleasant to talk to, although we are relative strangers she has had a conversation with us. She has a sense of humour and that has shone through. She relates well to Jody Stevens and seems to enjoy the experience.

Jody has become very active with his energy and sense of fun and his involvement has been much appreciated. He relates well with Charlotte and pupils from other schools. We are grateful for his involvement. As a matter of interest we have received in excess of £200 from well wishers who have noticed the children at work and have admired their work.

Regards

Harold Luscombe Secretary St. Budeaux Community Centre.

# CHICKS



CHICKS is a national children's charity providing free respite breaks to children from all over the UK.

They believe every child has the right to make positive childhood memories. A CHICKS break inspires new confidence and gives children the chance to have fun, enjoy new experiences and relax. More than anything, it gives them the chance to just be children.



For more information please contact Hayley, our Family Liaison Officer on 365128

# Routeways

We are hosting another of our popular Moorland Survival days during this upcoming May half-term.

Please join us on Tuesday 29th May for an excellent day. Come and join us for a moorland survival day at Leather Tor, orienteering games, den building and camp fire cookery.

If you would like your child to attend please book on <https://bookwhen.com/routeways>, we have limited spaces available, if the activity is fully booked you will be placed on a waiting list and will be contacted by email if a place becomes available. Please remember to complete and bring in the consent form attached to the booking page.

This activity is part of the Short Breaks Holiday Activities for disabled children. This activity can be used as part of the 10 day allocation managed through Inclusion Works. To be eligible your child will have a diagnosis of a disability and attend a special school or Support Centre or attend a mainstream school and have a severe or moderate learning disability with ASD or a complex physical disability. Once you have booked the activity please ensure you are registered with Inclusion Works. You can register by filling in the form and all about me' booklet at [www.plymouth.gov.uk/inclusionworks](http://www.plymouth.gov.uk/inclusionworks).

Kind regards,

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