

## Being Visible

It has always been (and will continue to be) my intention to be as visible as my commitments allow. Over the last term my commitments have resulted in my time on the playground at the beginning and end of the day being greatly reduced. I hope that this will change as we enter the summer term and will take every opportunity to say hello.

## Safety and Security

As mentioned previously it is of the utmost importance to all the staff of Montpelier that your children are safe and that the school site is secure when they are with us during the school day.

As a school we have made a conscious effort to tighten up on the time that we open the doors at the start and the end of the day.

I would like to remind you that at the end of the school day the only access into the school building is the main entrance. All other exits will be locked and closely monitored by the staff at the school. The school gates will be open by our Site Manager Zak Morgan from 15.00. Please be patient and allow time for this to happen as we have six entrances across our school site. At the end of the day the children will be shown out by their teacher or teaching assistant and they will be available at this time if you wish to speak with them or indeed they need to speak with you. After each class has been dismissed the door will be closed to ensure that our schools building is secure. I ask that if you wish to enter the building at this time you use the main entrance in the same way that you would throughout the school day. In addition the school gates will be closed from 15.30. This will give enough time for all children to leave the school site safely. I would like to thank you in advance for your cooperation.

## Parents evening

I would like to say how lovely it was to see so many parents attend the parent-teacher consultations this week. Your involvement in your child's education is so important to both us and your children that I thought I'd mention it here. Being a parent myself I am aware that having quality time to talk to your child's teacher is so important. I would also like to take this time to remind parents that we do operate an open door policy at Montpelier and welcome parents into our school at every opportunity. I appreciate that today I have talked about our security procedures, but I would like to stress that these are purely there to keep your children safe and not you as parents out! The staff that we have are willing to meet with you at any time, either at the end of the day or through a pre-arranged appointment and I would encourage parents to keep the lines of communication open as it is something that we value very much.

## Big pedal

It was fantastic to see so many children embracing the big pedal this week. Being active, mobile and most importantly arriving to school in style is a memory I am sure the children will hold onto and embrace when the time comes next year. The number of children in attendance at the big breakfast was testament to the commitment that is displayed by the families that we serve and even though the weather was truly British a good time was had by all.

## Wear a Hat Day - Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

Finally, I would like to thank you for supporting the 'wearahatday' campaign that we supported in school today. This is the second year that we have supported the premier brain tumour awareness event, helping to support long-term, life-saving research to move us ever #CloserToACure. As a school we have supported and raised money for a number of charities this year, but it is important to remember that every penny makes a huge difference. I know it might seem like we are always asking for donations, but they are just that, there is no obligation, but as always you have done us proud. Thank you for donating to this amazing charity, all donations are appreciated and will help support the fantastic work that the charity is doing – please visit [www.wearahatday.org](http://www.wearahatday.org) for more information.

## Diary Dates

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup>-Tues 18<sup>th</sup> Apr 2017 Inc.**

- Easter holidays

**Thurs 20<sup>th</sup> Apr 2017**

- 5pm Bude meeting

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup> May 2017**

- Bank holiday

**Wed 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017**

- Tempest Photos – Class groups (*not Year 6*)

**Sun 21<sup>st</sup> – Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

- Bude Residential (Yr 6)

**Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2017**

- Yr6 Activity Week

**Mon 29<sup>th</sup> May - Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> June '17**

- Half term

**Mon 19<sup>th</sup> June 2017**

- Race for Life event

**Tues 25<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

- Leavers' assembly
- Last day of term 2:30pm finish (Yr6 finish at 1.30pm)

**Wed 26<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

- Start of the summer holidays

**Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 2017**

- Non pupil day

**Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Sept 2017**

- First day of term



## Monty's Den

Monty's Den is our onsite after school care. Call on 07522 429599 for more information or to book a session. Flexible booking available  
[www.thedens.co.uk](http://www.thedens.co.uk)

## Foundation News

Foundation have had a cracking week observing the eggs hatching in Year 1 and making their own Easter chicks. The children will be bringing home their seed to watch it grow- there will be a competition for who can grow the tallest sunflower! If anyone has any large cardboard boxes we would be very grateful to receive them. With hope of good weather next term we will be doing some PE sessions outside- on returning your child's PE kit we ask that you now provide plimsolls if they do not already have them. Thank you all for your continued support this term.

## Year 1 News

What a brilliant term it has been! This week we have been learning about different animal groups in science, as well as writing all about our trip to Dartmoor Zoo and solving multiplication problems in Maths. We also said 'see you soon' to our lovely chicks Pip, Sooty and Dot as they embark on their next adventure in Miss Clegg's garden! They have provided us with much excitement over the past few weeks and we know that the children will not forget the brilliant experiences they have had in caring for them. We hope that you have a fantastic Easter break and look forward to beginning a new exciting topic next term! The Year 1 Team.

## Year 2 News

Yet another successful term in year 2. Again, the children have persevered, worked hard and been dedicated to every challenge they have faced; even the really tricky ones. We look forward to investigating our water warrior topic next term. Thank you for your continuing support at home, especially with reading, homework and spellings. We hope you have a fantastic couple of weeks with your children and enjoy the time together. The Year 2 Team.

## Year 3 News

Wow, another term complete. The children have worked so hard and achieved so much. They have thoroughly enjoyed our topic 'Plymouth to Plymouth' and have created some lovely pieces of work. Thank you for your continued support as always. We wish you all a very happy Easter. Enjoy a relaxing break. The Year 3 team.

## Year 4 News

We have had a busy week, completing lots of different activities. During parents evening it was lovely to meet so many supportive parents and an absolute pleasure to share your child's achievements. Thank you for your continued support this term and we would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter. The Year 4 team.

## Year 5 News

Another term completed and it seems to have flown by. We trust that the parent consultations were informative and helpful, and we look forward to the new term beginning after the Easter break.

Remember swimming will begin on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> April (the first day back) so don't forget to bring your swimming kit and a coat to wear for the walk across to the Life Centre.

We hope you all have an enjoyable break and your Easter eggs too!

## Year 6 News

We've been working hard again this week in Year 6 as we try to make the most of the time we have before we break up for the Easter holiday.

The children have produced some of their best writing yet as they write their own interpretation of The Piano. They are really thinking about emotive language and some of their work is tear-jerking!

In maths, we are refining our arithmetic skills and applying our knowledge to problems.

Over the holiday, children need to make sure they relax and have fun but also keep on top of their revision homework. The children have received the final timetable for the SATs revision packs. You will notice that not all subjects have been covered simply due to time. If you know your child needs more work in certain areas, feel free to complete any remaining work in the books.

Have a good holiday!

## Bude

Year 6 will be holding a meeting for parents of children going to Bude. The meeting will take place on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 5pm.

## Big Pedal

I would like to thank all the parents for the support with the Big Pedal this week and the Big Breakfast yesterday. It was great to see so many parents there. The week was very successful with over 1000 journeys by bikes and scooters recorded over the week. Hope you have a fantastic Easter. Mr Carhart

## Girl's Football

The year 4 and 5 girls went to Plymstock last week to take part in the Plymouth Schools cup. It was a very soggy affair with lots of trips from the pitch to the van to keep warm and dry. The girls did an amazing job and played fantastically. Results might not have gone our way but they should all be proud of their efforts and teamwork. They were an absolute delight to take and their behaviour was outstanding. Mr Carhart, a very proud football coach.



## SCHOOL MEALS

### NEW MENU - SUMMER 2017

You should by now have received the new Summer Menu. Please be aware meal prices will increase to £2.10 per meal on our return after Easter.

**Payment – School meal debt is rising. Please kindly ensure payment for school meals is made in advance, as per school policy and that any debt is settled before the start of the new term, failure to do so will mean your child will be asked to bring packed lunches.**





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16th April 11am - 3pm  
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**Easter Bonnet Competition**

**Spring planting with Magical Moments Tinker Bell**

**Magical Moments Princess & Superhero's Games & Face Painting**

**FANTASTIC Charity Easter Raffle for Hugs from Henry**

**Easter Biscuit Decorating • Easter Craft Stall**

**Kids be Happy Sand Art by Sophie**

**Ponies on Parade**



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