

The Beacon

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Hello from Mr West – Sports Days

Thanks to everyone who attended the sports day events this week – the crowds made them all very special occasions. With the sun was shining, the children threw themselves into each event with great enthusiasm. By the end, there were some very tired, yet smiling faces. The turnout was amazing – the field seemed packed with eager parents and other family members. I even spotted a couple of people utilising FaceTime to ensure that absent parents could see the event in real time, as well as lots of others filming and photographing - as always, we just ask that everyone remains respectful regarding the sharing of images and that these are not published on open access social media sites.

It is important to consider that an event such as this does not just happen - they take consideration and planning. My thanks goes out to Mrs Pearce for the organisation of it, the SDCC sports leaders for their assistance and our very own sports leaders and school captains for making the event run smoothly. The overall scores were very close, with the children informed of the overall winners in our celebration assemblies today - I am sure if you ask them they will be able to recall who the classes are.

Race for Life

Mon 8th July 2019 Race for Life - is Sport Mufti - wear mufti to school and donations to charity to be given to class teachers in morning registration.

School Term Dates for 2018/2019

Mon 8th July - Race for Life

Fri 28th June – Sweet and chocolate mufti for Summer Fair

Mon 1st July - KS1 (Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2) Sports Day, starts at 10am / Years 5 and 6 Sports Day starts at 1:30pm

Tues 2nd July - 9:30am Years 3 and 4 Sports Day

Fri 5th July – PTFA Summer Fair

Mon 8th July – Race for Life

Wed 10th July - Foundation Parent's Evening

Thurs 11th July - Foundation Parent's Evening

Tuesday 23rd July – Yr6 Celebration Disco, 5:30-6pm for photos, followed by dancing and fun until 7:30pm.

Wed 24th July – Yr6 leaver's assembly 9:15am

Wed 24th July - 2:30pm end of term finish (**Yr6 finish at 1.30pm**)

Thurs 25th July 2019 - Non-Pupil Day

School Term Dates for 2019/2020

Tues 3rd Sept – First day of term

Thurs 17th Oct – Tempest Individual & Family Group photos for Foundation & KS1

Mon 21st to Fri 25th Oct – Half term

Mon 28th Oct – Tempest Individual & Family Group photos for KS2

Fri 29th Nov – Non-Pupil Day

Fri 20th Dec – Fri 3rd Jan 2020 Inc. – Christmas Holidays

Mon 6th Jan – Non-Pupil Day

Mon 17th – Fri 21st Feb Inc. - Half term

Mon 30th March – Mon 13th April Inc. – Easter holidays

Tues 14th April – Non-Pupil Day

Fri 8th May – Bank Holiday – ***please note the change of date***

Mon 11th May - Yr6 SATs

Sun 17th May – Yr 6 Bude

Mon 25th – Fri 29th May - Half term

Fri 26th June – Non-Pupil Day

Wed 22nd July – end of term

Thurs 23rd July – First day of summer holidays

e-safety questionnaire

Dear Parents/Carers, Many thanks to all of you who took part in our recent E-safety questionnaire. As promised, here are the main findings:

- Most children have access to the internet at home.
- The most popular way to access the internet is with a tablet computer.
- Most parents make use of safety tools on the devices that their children use.
- Parents discuss internet safety with their children.
- Common e-safety terms such as grooming and cyber-bullying are understood by parents.

Parents are less certain of the ways to report e-safety issues.

The most popular methods of sharing e-safety information with you were through either "The Beacon" or through regular text messages/emails. From September, we will therefore be using these methods to keep you informed of a range of e-safety news including information about the e-safety learning that the children have been doing in school. We will also be sharing with you exciting information about Monty our new school e-safety mascot!

SDCC Open Day

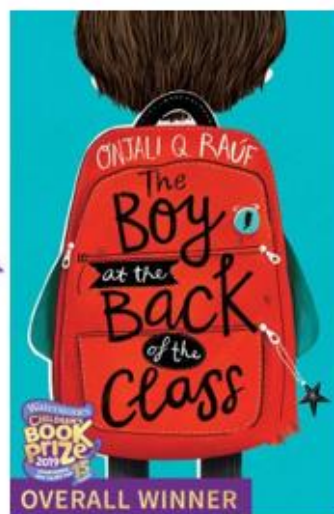
Stoke Damerel Community College are holding an Open Day on Wednesday 11th September at 6pm

Polite reminder

Children should not be arriving in the playgrounds before 8:30am in the morning please – if you need to send them in early we do have Breakfast Club, forms available from the main office, £2.50 per session per child.

Book of the Week

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When a new boy joins their class, a group of children try to befriend him. They soon learn that Ahmet is a refugee and has been separated from his family. None of the grown-ups seem to be able to help him, so the friends come up with a daring plan, embarking on an extraordinary adventure. Based in part on the stories she encountered when working in refugee camps, Onjali Q. Rauf's remarkable debut deserves to be ranked as a modern classic. Told with humour and tenderness, it is an unforgettable story of hope, curiosity and the importance of kindness.

If you have shared a book with your child and would like to recommend it, please email me. daniellejones@mpsplymouth.net

Music News

We are looking forward to welcoming 30 singers from the USA to Montpelier on Monday for a wonderful morning of singing as part of Plymouth International Chorus. 54 of our pupils will be singing in a gala concert on Wednesday evening with them. Come along for a fabulous night of super singing! See the poster attached for ticket details. It will be a very special concert!



Plymouth International Chorus 2019

Wednesday 10th July at 6.30pm

Plymouth Guildhall

**The glorious sound of 200 young people from
Plymouth UK and Plymouth, Mass, USA together in
song**

**Tickets £5- adult- free for accompanied under 16s
available from**

<http://bit.ly/2wuIPgA>

Enquiries to jessrowe@mpsplymouth.net



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OPEN TRIALS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

FOUNDATION - YR1, 2 5-6PM

YEARS 3-6 | 6-7PM

VENUE: STOKE DAMEREL COMMUNITY COLLEGE, PL3 4BD

TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN ATTENDING, PLEASE E-MAIL YOUR NAME, DOB, GRASSROOTS TEAM SCHOOL, PHONE NUMBER AND EMAIL ADDRESS TO [DANIEL.THOMPSON@PFC.CO.UK](mailto:daniel.thompson@pfc.co.uk)