# The Beacon

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#### Hello from Mr West

School Uniform - You will have read the following on numerous occasions but it is imperative that I send it out time after time. Here at Montpelier we have high expectations around the behaviour, attitude and attainment of all pupils. These expectations are essential to give every child the opportunity to fulfil their potential and strive to be the best that they can. They are ingrained in the culture and ethos of our school and it is something that as parents you buy into when you choose our school for your child. It is at this point that I would like to remind you all about our expectation with regards to the children's footwear. As the end of term comes ever closer with thoughts turning to the summer break, I know being a parent of three school aged children myself, that at some point - if you haven't already, that you will partake in the glorious event that is shopping for school shoes. I am all too aware that in certain outlets the school shoe section offers a range of all black trainers as a viable option of everyday school wear. Before you consider and take the step to purchase footwear for your child I wish to remind you all that trainers; even if they are black, are not school uniform. The expectation is that children wear black shoes. It has been acknowledged that the number of children wearing trainers has increased over the past week. Please remember the school year ends on the 24<sup>th</sup> July and until such time the expectations on the uniform remain the same. As a school we will be keeping a close eye on this and your support is greatly appreciated.

### School Term Dates for 2018/2019

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> June - Tempest class photos & Year 6 individuals

Thurs 13th June - Tempest class photos Year 4 only

Thurs 13th June - Eggbuckland Community College - Open Evening, 6 - 8pm

Tues 25<sup>th</sup> June – Parent's Evening for Years 1 to 6

Thurs 27th June - Parent's Evening for Years 1 to 6

Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June – Sweet and chocolate mufti for Summer Fair

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> July - KS1 (Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2) Sports Day, starts at 10am

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> July - 9:30am Years 3 and 4 Sports Day / 1:15pm Years 5 and 6 Sports Day

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> July – PTFA Summer Fair

Wed 10th July - Foundation Parent's Evening

Thurs 11th July - Foundation Parent's Evening

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 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept – First day of term

Mon 21st to Fri 25th Oct - Half term

Fri 29th Nov - Non-Pupil Day

Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec - Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2020 Inc. - Christmas Holidays

Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jan - Non-Pupil Day

Mon 17<sup>th</sup> - Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Feb Inc. - Half term

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> March – Mon 13<sup>th</sup> April Inc. – Easter holidays

Tues 14th April - Non-Pupil Day

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May - Half term

Fri 26<sup>th</sup> June - Non-Pupil Day

Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> July – end of term

Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> July – First day of summer holidays

# Eggbuckland Community College & Devonport High School for Girls - Open Evening

- Eggbuckland Community College Thurs 13th June Eggbuckland Community College Open Evening, 6 8pm
- **Devonport High School for Girls** Open Evening. Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 6 8pm. Free school meals students are eligible for a free 11+ practice examination. Currently FSM students will also be offered a free school uniform at the start of their school career with DHSG. See website for further information www.dhsg.co.uk

## Schoolmoney Debts

Thank you to all those parents who regularly pay in advance and keep their accounts in credit. May we take this opportunity to remind everyone that payment for school meals and Breakfast Club should be made in advance as per school policy. Unfortunately, debts are mounting and at this moment in time are over £1,000.

If you are unable to make payment for whatever reason please contact Mrs Simpson in the school office.

## M&S 'Back to School Clothing'

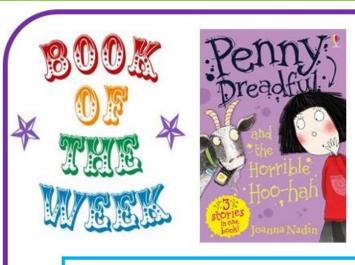
M&S 'Back to School Clothing' offers 20% off school uniform from Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June to Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July. As part of this they are offering an evening out of hours to allow busy parents to get uniform in a calmer environment. This evening will take place on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June from 6pm-8pm. If you are interested in attending the shopping evening, could you please enter the store through our car park entrance on the third floor as the doors will be open from 6pm. If you are in and around the store prior to 6pm you can enter through the main entrance as normal. Refreshments will be provided for the evening.

## FREE Father's Day message within the Herald

Join thousands of other schools across the country in paying tribute to Dad's, Step-Dad's, Granddad's and guardians with a FREE Father's Day message within the Herald. The messages will appear in the Herald's special Father's Day supplement and online at www.plymouthlive.com on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June and will comprise of a simple greeting or poem of approximately 6 lines. Book online by visiting: https://plymouth.bookanad.com Select Family notices, then Father's Day, then Father's Day greetings. All messages will appear as below in the following format:

JONES Sally - Thank you for being the best mummy ever! Lots of love Daisy x x x

The final deadline for placing messages will be Weds 12<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon. However, we would highly recommend getting your notices in prior to Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June, as after this date we cannot guarantee there will be enough space in the supplement. So please book early. Plus new this year - the in paper greeting for one lucky Dad will have their message circled at random & will win a prize of a Bottle of Aftershave from Debenhams, Plymouth.



This book is a perfect bedtime read-a-loud for children in Years 3 and 4 (and their grown-ups) who enjoy funny stories about slightly naughty children! The book contains three true to life stories about Penelope Jones a.k.a Penny Dreadful and her mischievous escapades. Archie and Tilly Watts thoroughly recommend it!

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