

The Beacon

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Headteacher's Comment

That's it. My time here is at an end. We've had a lovely last week in school. There's been so many special events going on. The Year 2 performance was just incredible. I have always marvelled at just how confident and articulate our younger children can be; they all acted, danced & sang with such enthusiasm and gusto, it put huge smiles upon everyone's faces. We had the Year 6 Prom yesterday evening. It is just staggering how grown up they've become. To see what they're capable of in so many ways; be it their academic abilities or their sporting capabilities, their singing & performing, their confidence & self-assuredness, the skills & knowledge they now possess, or their aptitude when it comes to working within a team. They have excelled and we know they will go on to great things as they move on up into their various secondary schools. For my part, I wish to say a huge 'thank you' to everyone in the team here. They have been the very best to work alongside. We have all done so much to make Montpelier even better and I could not have done it without their willingness and support. I will miss the children. Working with young people is a privilege and the children of Montpelier have been a delight to know. And one final thank you to the community as a whole, for making my time here so rewarding. I am looking forward to my new adventure but will look back upon my time at Montpelier with great fondness.

Farewell all. Jason Holland, Headteacher (no more)!

Foundation News

Wow - what a year! The children have had such a fantastic start to their Montpelier journey and the staff would like to say a massive thank you and wish you all well for the summer holiday. Good luck for your continued adventures in Year 1 and we will miss you all!

Year 1

Wow, what a year it has been! The children have continued working on the adventures of Supertato within our writing and measuring in Maths. We would like to thank you all for your continued support throughout this year. We wish you all a happy, relaxing summer and wish you well for Year 2.

Year 2 News

What a year! Thank you so much for all of your support throughout this year. The children ended the term with a wonderful show- it was great to see you all enjoy it! We are so proud of them all but know they are ready to take on the new challenges that Year 3 will bring. Have an amazing summer! Thank you for your generosity at the Year 2 Show - we have raised £81 for Surfers Against Sewage - a very worthwhile cause!

Year 3 News

What a busy and exciting week Year 3 have had! During the week we have finished creating our 'All about me posters' for our new teachers in English and in maths practising our times tables. Well done to Year 3 and good luck as you move forward into Year 4. You have all worked really hard this year and deserve your break. Thank you for your support this year it has been greatly appreciated. Have a fantastic, relaxing summer! Year 3 team

Year 4 News

Well done to Year 4 and good luck as you move forward into Year 5. You have all worked really hard this year and deserve your break. It's been a pleasure teaching you.

School Term Dates for 2018/2019

Tues 4th Sept 2018 – Non-Pupil Days.

Wed 5th Sept – Non-Pupil Days.

Thurs 6th Sept – Autumn Term 2018 begins.

Mon 22nd to Fri 26th Oct – Autumn Half Term Break 2018.

Thurs 20th Dec – Last Day of Autumn Term 2018.

Fri 21st Dec 2018 to Fri 4th Jan 2019 – Christmas Holiday 2018.

Mon 7th Jan 2019 – Non-Pupil Day.

Tues 8th Jan – Spring Term 2019 Begins.

Mon 18th Feb to Fri 22nd Feb – Spring Half Term Break 2019.

Fri 5th April – Last Day of Spring Term 2019.

Mon 8th to Mon 22nd April – Easter Holiday 2019.

Tues 23rd April – Non-Pupil Day.

Wed 24th April – Summer Term 2019 begins.

Mon 6th May – Bank Holiday.

Mon 27th to Fri 31st May – Summer Half Term Break 2019.

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

Thursday 25th July 2019 – Non-Pupil Day.

Year 5 News

The Year 5 team would like to wish everyone an enjoyable holiday and wish the present year 5 children well for their final year at Montpelier and we look forward to welcoming the current Year 4 in September. Have a great holiday!

Year 6 News

Well what a last week it's been for our amazing Year 6 children. They have enjoyed jumping on the bouncy castle, playing over at Central Park, eating ice creams, dancing at their celebration disco, a leaver's lunch, and today's assembly. We wish them all the very best as they leave today, we could not be prouder of them. Well done Year 6. You have been a truly wonderful year group and we will miss you all.

School Money Payments

Please ensure all debts are settled by the end of term, Friday 20th July 2018.

Thank you to those who regularly keep their accounts in credit. Please may we remind everyone that all payments for breakfast club and school meals should be in advance, in line with school policy and ask everyone to credit their accounts in readiness for the new term in September.

Please also may we remind everyone that the cost of a school meal will rise to **£2.20** from September and that payments should always be made in advance on www.eduspot.co.uk

DHSG Open Evening

Devonport High School for Girls have an Open Evening on Tuesday 11th September 2018 6.00pm - 8.00pm and Wednesday 12th September 2018 2.15pm - 3.30pm.

National Skills Diving Competition - Manchester

Good Luck to Phoebe White, Archie Waines and Amelie Underwood of Plymouth Diving who will be competing in the National Skills Diving Competition at Manchester Aquatic Centre 21st & 22nd July.

Children's University Passports

Please remember to bring in your Children's University Passports, to Miss Gilbert, in September, to ensure they are updated and you receive your certificate. Graduation will be held in October for those with at least 100 hours of learning.

Passports can be updated at any time during the school year.

Virtual Challenge Summer – Most improved 2018

Congratulations to the following children who improved on their Virtual Challenge, completing in 1000 m run, 60 seconds shuttle run, standing long jump and a throw.

3M 1st Vidhusa A 22 points, 2nd Archie S 18 points, 3rd Lola G 8 points,

3P 1st Elizabeth D 28 points, 2nd Aland W 23 points, 3rd Kaisha P 21 points

3S 1st Edward L 12 points, 2nd Elsie H 11 points, 3rd Ruby G 10 points,

4M 1st Bradley B 19 points, 2nd Emily C 18 points, 3rd Amy W 17 points

4P 1st Malicha S 21 points, 2nd Sinead Z 18 points, 3rd Jessica M 16 points

4S 1st Callie E 15 points, 2nd Bella H 13 points, 3rd Miley P 10 points

5M 1st Malachi N 25 points, 2nd Vinnie 24 points, 3rd Leon P 12 points

5P 1st Delilah B 24 points, 2nd Lewis S 23 points, 3rd Layla K 18 points

5S 1st Edward B 13 points, 2nd Joseph W 10 points, 3rd Elliot H 3 points

5X 1st Wendy P 18 points, 2nd Isobel R 17 points, 3rd Daniel W 14 points

6M 1st Jack M 47 points, 2nd Marnie-Mae B 34 points, 3rd Joseph A 33 points

6P 1st Abbey B 4 points, 2nd Imogen L 3 points, 3rd Connor F 2 points

6S 1st Cameron H 16 points, 2nd Phoebe W 7 points, 3rd Rebekah P 6 points

Fitting Finale for a Terrific Team

On Wednesday, the Montpelier Football team ended their record-breaking season by claiming The Plymouth Schools League at Goals Football Centre. The Legendary Liverpool Football Club manager, Bill Shankly, described winning the league as his 'bread and butter', because you may have a good run in a cup, but consistency is the true marque of a great side. After 10 months of fixtures, the last match threw up the 2 best teams, Montpelier and Compton, fighting it out- whoever won the face-off would collect the Title of 'Champions of Plymouth'.

Having played twice before, and a win apiece, it was anyone's to win. MPS began strongly, but a motivated Compton held the stalemate, until a clever passing move resulted in a smart finish from Aiden- 1-0. Soon after, playmaker Cole unleashed a 30-yard net buster that left the raucous crowd stunned- The Greens lead by 2.

Compton weren't disheartened though, showing why they were contenders by snatching a couple of quick fire strikes to level it up at 2 each. The match was in the balance, with 'Golden Gloves' Samuel making telling saves to keep Montpelier's heads above water; but cometh the hour, cometh substitute Corradi, who notched a timely hat-trick, along with an own goal by the floundering opposition to park distance between the two foes. Despite an admirable consolation goal, The result was concluded 6-3 and the trophy was decisively on its short way back to North Down Road.

Congratulations to Samuel, Aaron, Liam, Brody, Henry, Corradi, Charlie, Cole, Lucas and Aiden.

The adjoining photo shows the boys with their hoard of trophies won this year, as them wearing their gold league medals.



Montpelier World Cup

Medal winners from last week's World Cup competition – details in previous Beacon No. 37



Egypt- Boys' world Cup runners up



Tunisia- Girls' Plate winners



Russia- Boys' plate winners



Peru- Boys' world cup winners



Belgium- Girls' World Cup winners



Panama- Girls' World Cup Runners up.



Many thanks to Mr Robinson for arranging such a fantastic event.

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