

# The Beacon

**Academic Year 2019/20**

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## *Hello from Mrs Hunter*

What a week for Montpelier Primary School! Our Ofsted report arrived this week, a good deal earlier than we were expecting. What a fabulous way to end the half term. Thank you to those of you who have passed on your 'well done's' and 'congratulations' to the team this week. However, we only achieved this great result because we are a school family together, so thank **you**! The Ofsted team were overwhelmed by the level of positive parent support and feedback that they received during their visit. They said that the Parent View survey results were just amazing and reflected the strength of feeling of the parents about how much they value what the school does for their children. I thought it was perfect timing that we had Parents' Evening this week - we hope you enjoyed walking up the red carpet - we are definitely all worth it! So once again, thank you. My team feel appreciated and supported.

Have a super half term and we look forward to seeing you for the run up to Christmas. There is so much going on next term to look forward to.

Best Wishes  
Mrs Hunter

## *Year 6—Secondary School Deadline*

Reminder—parents are asked to submit their secondary school preference forms by the deadline of 31 October 2019 please.

Wherever possible, parents are encouraged to apply online, it is quick and easy - all parents need is an email address. If you are confused or concerned just get in touch with Plymouth City Council Admission Team who will do all they can to help.

## *School Term Dates for 2019/2020*

**Mon 21<sup>st</sup> to Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Half term

**Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Mount Edgcombe Country Park Spooky Trail. Fancy Dress 1:30pm on the terrace in front of the House. £3 per child – a goody bag at the end for all registered. Register 12noon -2:45. Trail closes 4pm

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Tempest Individual photos KS2 (Family Group photos from 8am KS1 Hall)

**Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> Oct** – Parent Forum, 9.00am

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Nov** – PTFA Quiz Night

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Non-Pupil Day

**Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Dec** – 6pm Montpelier Choirs' Carol Service, Plymouth Methodist Central Hall

**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 14<sup>th</sup> April** – Non-Pupil Day

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> May** – Bank Holiday – ***please note the change of date***

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup> May** - Yr6 SATs

**Sun 17<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Yr 6 Bude

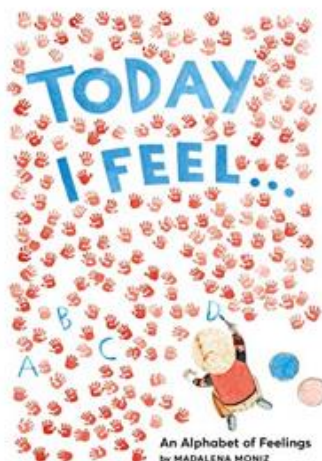
**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May** - Half term

**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

BOOK  
OF  
THE  
WEEK



I went through a stage of collecting alphabet themed books and came across this one.

Today I Feel... is an alphabetical tour of feelings from adored to Zzzz...

An amazing way to get children understanding and talking about their emotions whilst learning some adventurous new vocabulary along the way.

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

### *Tempest Photographer – individual photographs*

The photographer will be in school on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October to take individual photographs of all children in KS2.

For family/group photographs (children not attending Montpelier) please come into school as near to 8am on the day – KS1 Hall.

### *Change of menu*

Please note that due to our 'Service Lunch' on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November there will be a change of menu that week. Monday 11<sup>th</sup> will be roast chicken or veggie pie and Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November will be pizza or spinach & sweet potato curry.

A Message from Monty!



Hi Parents and Carers,

This week we had the NSPCC in school and they spoke to all the children about how to keep themselves safe. The NSPCC also provide a fantastic online resource called Net Aware for parents and carers. On this website there are tips and advice from experts about the social networks, apps and games that children might be downloading, accessing and using. If you are not sure about the benefits and risks of different apps you can find out information about each one and also, learn about how to make them more secure.

You can access Net Aware by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/>

Have an e-safe half term,  
Monty

## **SEND Information Report Review**

**We need your help!**

**We would love it if parents could join us to review our current SEND Information Report which is for all parents.**

**The report gives details about the special education needs and disability provision at Montpelier Primary School. We want to ensure the report is user friendly and accessible for parents so your input is vital.**

**Come to the school café on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November at 8:45am.**

**Tea/coffee and biscuits available.**

**See you there!**

### ***Staddiscombe Cross Country***

The annual PSSP Championships Cross Country got underway yesterday at Staddiscombe. With eight races in total the 1200 plus runners arrived ready to take on the challenging course. Montpelier was fortunate enough to enter in all 'Major' categories with another 16 schools. First up was the year 3 and 4 girls finishing in 1st position, with over 70 runners all 6 of our athletes finished in the top 23 and selected to compete in the Devon Winter Games next year. The year 3 and 4 boys and 5 and 6 girls unfortunately didn't make the top 4. Final race of the day were the year 5 and 6 boys, waiting for their overall position, just missed out on 3rd by 2 points but still qualified for the Devon Games. Congratulations to all of you, you were all amazing. Thank you to the parents who transported their child and for the continued support and encouragement.

The year 3 and 4 girls also won the Warm Up League.





# PTFA newsletter

10TH OCTOBER

## AGM

Our AGM was held on Friday 20th of September at 2pm and it was lovely to see some new faces as well as the familiar ones! As per usual we elected this year's committee members which remain unchanged from last year and then continued with the many funding requests made by the school teachers. A great deal of funding has already been allocated and needless to say it's well and truly being reinvested back into the school, all thanks to everyone's generous donations and support.

## GOALS

One of our goals for this year is to raise awareness of the PTFA, it's roles and the many projects that it funds directly into the school. With this in mind we decided to post a monthly newsletter in the Beacon and on the website as a way to keep everyone updated, and remind those who can that we always need help. This year we are focusing our fundraising efforts on helping the new library and the nurture room projects. With your support at our events we hope to make a huge contribution to these wonderful projects which will continue to make our school so special. Another way to support them is to sign up to the School's Lottery which is becoming one of our best fundraising method as for each pound invested in the lottery, 40 pence goes directly back to the school so get playing!

Have you heard of our Thrift collection? Every year the PTFA sell quality second hand school uniform and accessories for just 50p per item. This year in order to help reduce waste we would also like to ask for donations of unwanted costumes that your children may have worn for events such as Cavemen, Egyptian day or World Book Day. The Thrift will be accessible during PTFA events and coffee mornings.

On the topic of costumes, as Halloween is fast approaching we wanted to know who would be keen on having a Halloween Ball in the future. Please email your views which will help us decide for next year at [ptfa@mpsplymouth.net](mailto:ptfa@mpsplymouth.net).

## EVENTS

And now onto the events! Our first official event of the season is no other than the second edition of Montpelier Primary's Quiz Night! It will be held on Friday the 8th of November, teams of maximum 6 adults, 3 pounds per person and each team is to supply a raffle prize. You are welcome to bring your own snacks and drinks to this adult only event. Tickets are now available to purchase via school Money but they are limited.

What's your children's favourite Christmas movie? The Grinch, Arthur Christmas, Nativity, or perhaps Elf or even Santa Claus? Well we'll let the children vote on this and their 2 favourite choices will be played during a pyjama and movie night near the end of November. Tickets will be sold via School Money and children will be able to bring their own drinks and snacks while the PTFA will have a tuck shop in each hall too.

Finally our annual Christmas fair will be held on Friday the 13th of December. As usual expect our larger than life Santa's Grotto behind reception, the ever so popular raffle and chocolate tombola as well as many food, drinks and crafts stalls. Please let us know if you would like a table for this event by emailing us on [ptfa@mpsplymouth.net](mailto:ptfa@mpsplymouth.net)

Sincerely,  
Your PTFA

**MONTPELIER PRIMARY'S PTFA PRESENTS:**

**£3 PER PERSON  
MAX 6 PER TEAM  
BRING YOUR OWN  
DRINKS & NIBBLES**

# **QUIZ NIGHT**

**ALL PROFITS HELP FUND  
OUR SCHOOL'S ONGOING  
AND FUTURE PROJECTS**

**FRIDAY 8TH NOVEMBER 2019**

**THIS EVENT IS AIMED AT ADULTS**

**DOORS OPEN AT 7PM FOR A 7.30PM START  
EACH TEAM DONATES A RAFFLE PRIZE**





## **AFC DEVONPORT U9 GIRLS**

**WE ARE LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL PLAYERS FOR OUR SQUAD.  
IS YOUR DAUGHTER LOOKING TO EXPERIMENT, DEVELOP, ENJOY  
AND EXPRESS THEIR SKILLS? WE'RE THE TEAM FOR THEM!**

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**CURRENT SCHOOL YEARS 3 + 4**

**TRAIN ON A FRIDAY EVENING / 5PM TILL 6PM**

**@ STOKE DAMEREL COMMUNITY COLLEGE; SPORTS HALL**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:**

**EMMA MILLS**

**07972 441662 / [afcdevonport@outlook.com](mailto:afcdevonport@outlook.com)**





**ARGYLE TRUST**  
COMMUNITY

# SHORT BREAKS

**Football and activities for children  
with autism or ADHD aged 7-14 years old.**

Every school half term and summer  
Monday and Tuesday  
10am - 1pm  
£5 per session

Home Park, Plymouth, PL2 3DQ  
[www.bookwhen.com/shortbreaks](http://www.bookwhen.com/shortbreaks)  
01752 300 700

in partnership with







## 12 medals to collect!

Every participant on every course will walk away with a medal.

### Collect 6 - receive a free course

(Must bring collection to show staff on morning of course and pre book via e-mail: [community@pafc.co.uk](mailto:community@pafc.co.uk))

### Collect 12 - receive Argyle Community Trust prize

(Must bring collection to show staff)

Please note this collection of medals will finish on Friday 25th October 2019

#### SOCCER ROADSHOW

Our Soccer Roadshows are age and football specific with the emphasis on fun, enjoyment and development. Sessions include skills, technique, competitions and small sided games.

#### MATCH DAY SPECIAL

Come and experience a day packed with all kinds of matches, from 2 a side competitions up to 7 v 7 games. The day is designed to improve each individual player's game understanding and awareness.

#### STRIKERS & GOALKEEPERS

Whether it's to put the ball in the net or keep it out, this Argyle Roadshow is designed to improve your skills in both areas.

#### GYMNASTICS DAY

A day to improve your balance, flexibility and strength through gymnastic specific exercises delivered by fully qualified British Gymnastic coaches and creating different routines both individually and in small groups throughout the day.

#### MULTI SPORTS

Chance for participants to undertake a wide range of sports throughout the day. Sports will vary from football, handball, tag rugby plus many more. Each venue and area will operate different sports to keep participants engaged.

#### DISABILITY SOCCER ROADSHOW

A fun-filled day packed with football games in an inclusive and comfortable environment. The day is tailored for children with a physical impairment, learning disability or mental health condition.

#### LTPO DAY

Invitation only - a chance for players to receive additional training during the school holidays.

#### PL STARS

Premier League Future Stars offers multi-sports activities that include football, handball and dodgeball. From learning the sports to engaging within competitions we focus on the core PL Stars values - Be Connected, Be Ambitious, Be Fair, Be Inspiring. Can you be the next future star?

#### FREAKY FRIDAY

Finish the October half term with an action packed day of football activities from shooting sessions to World Cup Tournaments. In the spirit of the season there will be Halloween style games at lunchtime and some trick or treats!

#### SHORT BREAKS

Half day of football and multi sport activities for children aged 7-14 with Autism or ADHD. Limited to 14 spaces per day! For more information on Shortbreaks please visit our website.

Everyone will receive a medal at the end of each course!



# OCTOBER HOLIDAYS 2019

## Book our courses online

[www.argylecommunitytrust.co.uk](http://www.argylecommunitytrust.co.uk)



Prices from £5 - £30

Registration opens at 9.40am

All courses for boys and girls of all abilities aged 5 - 15 years  
Courses run from 10am to 3pm with the exception of Mini Pilgrims 10am to 12pm  
Additional activities are available

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## PLYMOUTH

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
P01	Home Park, Plymouth Argyle FC	21 & 22 October	£30	£26	Two Day Roadshow
P02	Manadon Sports and Community Hub	23 October	£12	£10	PL Stars Day
P03	Wembury Primary	23 October	£12	£10	Gymnastics Day
P04	Wembury Primary	24 October	£12	£10	Soccer Roadshow
P05	Plympton Academy	24 October	£18	£13	Match Day Special
P06	Ivybridge Community College	25 October	£18	£13	Freaky Friday
P07	Manadon Sports and Community Hub	25 October	£18	£13	Freaky Friday

## EAST CORNWALL

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
EC01	Bodmin Dragon Leisure Centre	21 & 22 October	£30	£26	Match Day Special
EC02	Callington Community College	21 October	£18	£13	Search For A Star
EC03	Saltash Net	23 October	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
EC04	Lux Park Leisure Centre, Liskeard	24 October	£18	£13	Match Day Special
EC05	Lanivet Community Hub	25 October	£18	£13	Freaky Friday

## NORTH DEVON

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
ND01	Launceston 3G	21 October	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
ND02	St Teath FC	21 October	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
ND03	Wadebridge Primary School	22 October	£18	£13	Match Day Special
ND04	Bude FC (2 day)	23 & 24 October	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
ND05	St Josephs School	25 October	£18	£13	Freaky Friday
ND06	St Teath FC	25 October	£18	£13	Freaky Friday

## MID CORNWALL

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
MC01	Penair School	21 October	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
MC02	Treviglas School Sports Hub	22 October	£18	£13	Strikers & Goalkeepers
MC03	Poltair School	24 October	£18	£13	Search for a Star
MC04	Falmouth School	25 October	£18	£13	Freaky Friday

## WEST CORNWALL

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
WC01	Helston Football Club	21 October	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
WC02	Illogan Football Club	22 October	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
WC03	Carn Brea Leisure Centre	23 October	£18	£13	Multi Sports
WC04	Carn Brea Leisure Centre	23 October	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
WC05	Holmans FC (Safer Camborne Youth Community Sports Festival)	24 October	FREE	FREE	Only for people in TR14 Community (Postcode must be TR14)
WC06	St Day Football Club	25 October	£18	£13	Freaky Friday

## DISABILITY

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
D01	Home Park, Plymouth Argyle FC, 10-1pm	21 October	£5	N/A	Short Breaks
D02	Home Park, Plymouth Argyle FC, 10-1pm	22 October	£5	N/A	Short Breaks
D03	Manadon Sports Hub, 10-3pm	24 October	£16	£12	Disability Soccer Roadshow

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