



Reception had a great time at Paignton Zoo!

Marine Academy Primary and Nursery Newsletter May 2017

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 ...providing an outstanding education that ensures all pupils reach their greatest potential and live by life's highest values.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

Dear Parents/Carers of Marine Academy Primary and Nursery pupils,
 Welcome to the May Newsletter, this term has flown by and soon we will be back from half term and ready to complete the final weeks of the 2016/17 academic year.

We have filled many of the Nursery 0-2 year old spaces and Pre-School 3 and 4 year old spaces for September already but please do take a look at the childcare information overleaf as we still have some places and 30 hours of funded nursery provision for 3 and 4 year olds from September, for those who are eligible!

Thank you to everyone who came along to see their child's class teacher this week during Parents/Carers Meetings. There was a great turnout and teachers enjoyed having the opportunity to celebrate your children's learning with you and found it a great way to keep you informed.

This Newsletter has the dates for the rest of this Summer Term – please look at them carefully and any additional information for events will be sent home on letters closer to the date. Please note that the Dates for Your Diary also continue onto the other side of this Newsletter. We hope to see you at lots of the upcoming events soon!

There are lots of wonderful opportunities planned for the children over the final half term. The topics for each year group are below and the Curriculum Letters you will receive today will provide further information:

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Years 4 & 5
Everyday Heroes 	Growing up and Changing 	Green Fingers, Say Cheese! 	Our World 	Active Planet 	Fit for Life

I hope the weather stays this wonderful and that everyone enjoys the half term break next week. Have a lovely break!

Yours sincerely,
 Mrs. Siobhan Meredith

- Dates for Your Diary...
- 26th May: Last Day of Term 5
 - 5th June: First Day of Term 6
 - 5th June: Nursery Graduation Photos
 - 5th June: Academy Council Lunch with Mrs Meredith
 - 5th June: Whole School Assembly from the Children's University
 - 5th, 6th, 7th June: Parents/Carers Meetings with Mrs Critchlow
 - 6th June: Rounders Competition at Stoke Damerel Community College
 - 6th June: Year 3 Trip to City College Plymouth STEM Centre
 - 7th June: Year 1 Trip to Burrator for a Guided Walk
 - 7th June: Tennis Competition at Plymouth Life Centre
 - 8th June: Years 1 and 2 Sessions with the RSPB
 - 9th June: Academy Council Trip to London
 - 12th June: Class 5GB 'Wild Writing' Session with the Achve Neighbourhoods Wild Challenge
 - 12th June at 4:30pm: Induction Event for Children Joining Reception in September 2017
 - 13th June: Year 2 Trip to Kings Tamerton Woods with Earth Jump
 - 14th June: Year 4 to go Bellboating
 - 14th June: Athletics Competition at Brickfields for some children from Key Stage 2
 - 14th June: Year 3 'Weather Wizard' Session with the Active Neighbourhoods Wild Challenge
 - 14th June: Year 4 Bellboating
 - 15th June: 25 children from Y2/3 to watch 'Fantastic Mr Fox' at the Theatre Royal
 - 15th June at 2:15pm: Reception Father's Day Assembly – add dads and special men of Classes RCJ and RGS children invited

PE Update

There has been lots happening this term in PE:

- ★ Year 3 have been having orienteering sessions with Mr Watmore
- ★ Year 1 have been learning Taekwondo
- ★ Nursery have had Jittabug sessions – thank you to Mrs Howells for providing this wonderful opportunity!
- ★ Year 5 have had health and wellbeing sessions from Plymouth Argyle
- ★ There has been a Bellboating Regatta
- ★ The Field Gun Crew have started practising drills which has been really successful and it is nice to see children who don't always attend other clubs taking part!
- ★ We have even had a being active Starfish of the Week award.

The children have some really exciting sports events happening next term too: National Sports Week, Move More Sit Less Day, Year 2 Swimming, Year 4 Bellboating, Year 3 Climbing, Rounders, Tennis, Athletics, Field Gun Tournaments and Sports Afternoons. Our Sports Council will be working hard planning different activities during National Sports Week and our Nursery, Reception Sports Afternoon.

Children are still trying their best to be active each day with lots of children cycling or scooting to school. Class 2CB won the award for the most whizzing to school this term! Whilst Class 3IC won the Key Stage Two award for the healthiest snacks!

The last half of the Summer Term will see children focusing on striking and fielding which is always a favourite with both children and staff!



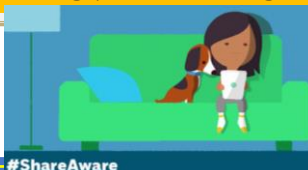
Family Learning with On Course South West

Thank you to all of the Parents/Carers who attended a Workshop this half term or the First Aid Course. The children really enjoyed seeing their Parents/Carers learning in school too! Next term there is a range of different activities which Parents/Carers can sign up for. If you have not received the letter, please ask at the Reception Desk and complete the form by Tuesday 6th June if you would like to attend. Workshops range from Mindfulness to Creative Upcycling and Keeping Your Child Safe Online to Outdoor Learning! We look forward to seeing you come along!



Find out how the government could help **you** with the cost of childcare at childcarechoices.gov.uk

If you have a child who will be aged 3 or 4 from September 2017 onwards then please visit the above website to check your eligibility for 30 hours free childcare. If you are eligible then you will be given a code. Please give this code to the Marine Academy Primary Reception Desk as soon as possible.



#ShareAware

Share Aware, from NSPCC and O2, gives parents all the tools they need to have regular and informed conversations with their child about staying safe online. Under 20% of parents discuss online safety regularly with their children but NSPCC want to get every family talking about their child's life online, just as they would their day at school. You can find the useful resources by following this link:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/share-aware/>

Dates for Your Diary...

16th June: Years 4 and 5 Trip to Kings Tamerton Woods with Earth Jump

16th June: Oxfam Dressed by the Kids Day

19th June: Reception Trip to Tesco

20th June: Year 5 Trip to Home Park for a Tour

22nd June: Year 2 Trip to the Energy for Waste Centre

23rd June: 12 children from Years 3 and 4 to go to Mount Batten with children from St Columb Major Primary School

26th June for 3 weeks: Year 2 Swimming Lessons at the Life Centre

Week Beginning 26th June: National Sports Week

28th June: 2 x Year 5 Children to take part in Times Table Rock Stars Competition

30th June: Whole School Stand Up Move More Sit Less Day

3rd July: Transition Afternoon

5th July to 7th July: Year 5 Residential

6th July: Year 3 to take part in the Big Sing Festival at MAP

10th July: Class 3SM to go Rock Climbing at Hound Tor

10th July: Reception Trip to Dartmoor Offers and Buckfast Butterflies

11th July: Class 3IC to go Rock Climbing at Hound Tor

12th July at 1:00pm:

Key Stage 2 Sports Afternoon

13th July at 1:00pm:

Key Stage 1 Sports Afternoon

14th July: Year 2 to see author, Peter Bentley at Plymouth Guildhall

14th July: Year 4 to see author, Julian Clary at Plymouth Guildhall

14th July: Nursery and Reception Sports Afternoon

14th July: Extra-Curricular Activities end Week Beginning 17th July: Arts Week

19th July at 2:15pm:

Key Stage 2 Summer Musical

19th July: Annual Reports go home

20th July at 9:15am:

Key Stage 2 Summer Musical

20th July at 3:00pm: Parents/Carers invited to see Arts Week Learning and Children's Books

21st July at 9:15am: Nursery Graduation and Reception Assembly

21st July: End of Term 6