

## Academy

## Newsletter 07/07/2023

## Dear Parents/Carers

Another variable week (weather-wise) has come to an end and we finished in style with our postponed summer fayre! Thank you so much for supporting us, a great time was had by all, the bouncy castle was a firm favourite for the children. My thanks go to the PTA who worked tirelessly to help organise the fayre and managed to re-arrange it last week at short notice. We will let you know the amount we raised in next week's newsletter. They are a small, dedicated crew who would welcome new members, if you have some time to volunteer, please contact the school office and they will pass on your details.

On Thursday, Year 6 were lucky enough to have their last trip together at Austin Farm, it was a full-on fun day at Mount Edgcumbe. Most of the children did us proud and were their usual amazing selves. Thank you to Mrs Bojang and Mrs Robinson who gave up their time to accompany the children on this extended day trip.

All of our year 6 pupils have now had some transition time up at their new secondary schools and most are looking forward to going onto new adventures, even though we know they will miss us! The rest of the school will be having two transition mornings next week, when they will get the chance to meet their new teachers and see their new classrooms.

We have only two weeks left and lots of exciting events to go:
Next week you will receive your child's school report, please read it and share the main messages with your child, then click on the link to acknowledge you have received it, there is also a space for you to write a comment and a chance to arrange an appointment to ask your class teacher any questions about the report, please do this in person or via Class Dojo.

Friday 14th July is the Year 6 leaver's prom from 6.00pm - 8.00pm.
The last Tuesday of term is the leaver's assembly for Year 6 parents only starting at 2.00pm.
The last Thursday of term is the head teacher's assembly at $\mathbf{2 . 4 0}$ for years 1-5, if your child has won an award then you will receive a (secret) invitation closer to the time.

Friday 21st is the last day of the school year.
We will all need a rest by the time the holidays come!
I hope you all have a great weekend,
Foundation: this week we have been exploring what kind of sea life live in and around Plymouth Hoe. We have talked about what predators do and how animal can protect themselves from predators. In literacy we have been reading the story of Billy's bucket and freeze framed Billy at different points in the story. In maths we have been sequencing our routines after we get up in the morning.


Year 1: have been exploring capacity this week. We have done lots of comparing and ordering different size containers as well as measuring the capacity of different classroom items using cubes, counters and water.


Year 2: have had a fantastic week of learning and have really enjoyed a fire safety talk! They learnt about the dangers of smoke, hazards around the house and the stop, drop and roll scenario. Talk at home with your child about where the smoke alarms are in your house and while you are looking for them, make sure you test them!

Year 3/4: this week in computing we have continued to build computer games using coding. Some children have pushed themselves and have started using the more complex 'Python' script for coding. We have also started our new class reading book Tyger written by SF Said. Please talk to the children about the book as they are really enjoying it!


Year 5: this week in Science we have learnt about the changes that happen to us in old age. We have also continued to share questions and answers about growing up. In Maths, we have been converting imperial units into metric units and vice versa. We have learnt lots of new language including feet, inches, yards, ounces, pounds and stone. We are glad we now work in the metric system. In RE, we have begun to explore humanism and that means for some people.


Year 6: have had an exciting week! We have been preparing and practising our leavers assembly which is sounding brilliant! Lots of the children have had some transition time at their new secondary school and we all spent the day at Mount Edgcumbe on Thursday. We took part in many activities including beach art, orienteering and team building activities.


Learners of the week, well done everyone !!

Foundation: B. Trembath
Year 1: L.Mann
Year 2: N/A
Year 3: M.Scott
Year 4: E.Shepherd
Year 5: P.Applin
Year 6: M.Searle (Susan)

The attendance award goes to Foundation getting a 98.9\%


## Dates to remember!!!



Yr 6 Prom - 14/07/2023 6.00pm - 8.00pm
Last day of term - 21/07/2023 - Children to return Wednesday 06/09/2023.
19/9/2023 - Family photos via Tempest - 8am-8:30am. Please book via Microsoft link, this will be sent closer to the time.

19/09/2023 - Individual school photos

Dinner Menu w/b 10/07/2023 Week 3

School packed lunches are available



Austin Farm Academy - Vacancies (devwebsite.co.uk)


## Kids Eat Free (or for a $£ 1$ ) over the Summer Holidays

| PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR E1) DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023 <br> COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL |  |
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| ASDA | MORRISONS |
| Kids eat for $£ 1$ All Day. Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required. | Spend $£ 4.49$ \& get one free kids meal all day, every day. |
| TESCO | GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS |
| Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023 | Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants |
| SAINSBURYS CAFES |  |
| Kids eat for $£ 1$ with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day. | PRETO <br> Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms |
| BEEFEATER \& BREWERS FAYRE | BILLS |
| Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult! | 2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023 |
| THE REAL GREEK <br> Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every $£ 10$ spent by an adult | BELLA ITALIA <br> Children eat for $£ 1$ with any adult main. <br> The offer is valid $4-6 \mathrm{pm}$ Mon to Thurs. |
| TABLE TABLE | WHITBREAD INNS |
| Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult! | Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased |
| TRAVELODGE | SA BRAINS PUBS |
| Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just $£ 8.99$ \& up to two kids eat breakfast for free | Children can eat for $£ 1$ with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays |
| HUNGRY HORSE | FUTURE INNS |
| Kids eat for $£ 1$ on Mondays \& up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast | Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays |
| PREMIER INN | PAUSA CAFE @ dunelm |
| Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just $£ 8.99$ \& up to two kids eat breakfast for free | Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks \& a drink FREE with every $£ 4$ spend after 3pm |
| SIzzLING PUBS | Yo! SUSHI |
| Every Monday to Friday, 3-7pm, kids' mains are $£ 1$ with every adult meal. | From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every $£ 10$ adult spend |
| IKEA | TO BE CONFIRMED... |
| Kids get a meal from 95p daily from llam | M\&S and Farmhouse Inns |
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Staying safe online


Yr 6 Prom - Friday 14th July 2023



## Term time holidays- - Is it worth it ?



Two of our families have now been issued fines from Plymouth County Council due to taking their child/ren out of school during term time. Please follow the link below to understand the charges and potential legal action that these holidays can result in.

## Attendance.

Every moment in school counts, and days missed add up quickly. The higher a child's attendance, the more they are likely to learn, and the better they are likely to perform in exams and formal assessments. We are implementing new procedures to help parents get their children to school.

Do you know your child's attendance?
95\% Attendance - 2 whole weeks of school missed.

90\% Attendance - 4 whole weeks of school missed.
85\% Attendance - 6 whole weeks of school missed.
$80 \%$ Attendance - 8 whole weeks of school missed.

75\% Attendance - 9 plus whole weeks of school missed.



Lateness = Lost Learning
(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

- 5 Minutes late each day - $\mathbf{3}$ days lost
- $\mathbf{1 0}$ Minutes late each day $\mathbf{- 6 . 5}$ days lost
- $\mathbf{1 5}$ Minutes late each day $\mathbf{- 1 0}$ days lost
- $\mathbf{2 0}$ Minutes late each day - $\mathbf{1 3}$ days lost
- $\mathbf{3 0}$ Minutes late each day - $\mathbf{1 9}$ days lost

Term dates


Important dates
To shade (or clear) cells in the month tables, select the cells to shade and then, on the Table Tools Desion tab, choose Cell Shading.
To view this calendar with all formatting and layout, on the View tab. choose Reading View.
Autumn Term Dates Monday 5 September to Friday 21 October then Tuesday 1 November to Friday 16 December Term 135 days Term 234 days WeST NPD Thursday $1^{14}$ September Friday $2^{\text {ma }}$ September/ Monday 31 October
Spring Term Dates Wednesday 4 January to Friday 10 February then Tuesday 21 February to Friday 31 March
Term 328 days Term 428 days Trust NPD Monday 20 February
Summer Term Dates Tuesday 18 Apri to Friday 26 May then Monday 5 June to Friday 21 July
Term 528 days Term 635 days School NPD Monday 17 April
Three Trust NPD's and three school NPD's. 189 teaching days in total.
Peach - holiday periods, Purple weekends, Green Trust NPD's, Blue School NPD's.

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Term 133 days Term 236 days School NPD Monday 4WeST NPD Tuesday 5 Septemberl WeST NPD Monday 30 October
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Argyle Roadshows


