

AUSTIN FARM

Academy

Newsletter 03/05/2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Sunday, several KS2 children enjoyed a fun run mile on Plymouth Hoe. Congratulations to the children who all completed the challenge with a smile on their faces. Please see below for photos and a link to the video on Plymouth Live's Facebook. Thank you to Mrs Bojang and Mrs Robinson, Mrs Bridgeman who gave up their Sunday to enable them to do this, I am sure you also appreciate their support for making this such a fun morning for your children. Today, the children came to school proudly showing their t-shirts and medals, see the photo of them in assembly below.

Despite their exertions on Sunday the children have been working enthusiastically, please see below for what they have done in classes this week.

As you can see our new garden area is coming along nicely, the outdoor classroom is taking shape and the game boards chosen by the children are mostly in. The last game board - 4 in a row has been funded by our PTA, see the picture below.

Please support the PTA by coming to a meeting on Weds 8th May at 2.30pm to see how you can help at our Summer Fayre. The next thing they are fundraising for is for outdoor gym equipment. Please save the date 5th July 3.30 - 5.00 for our summer fayre.

I hope you enjoy a lovely weekend, with extra day on Monday for the bank holiday, I think Saturday is our best chance of sunshine at the moment!

See you all on Tuesday!

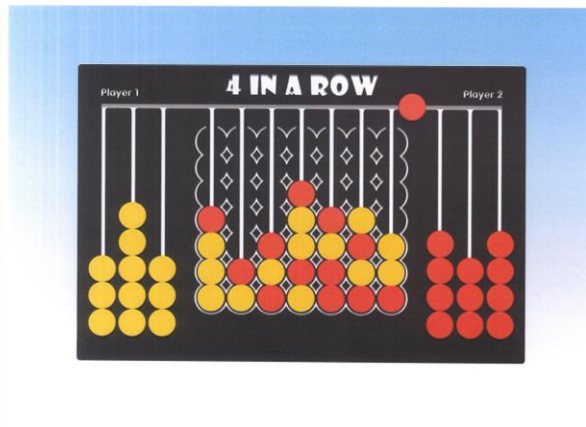
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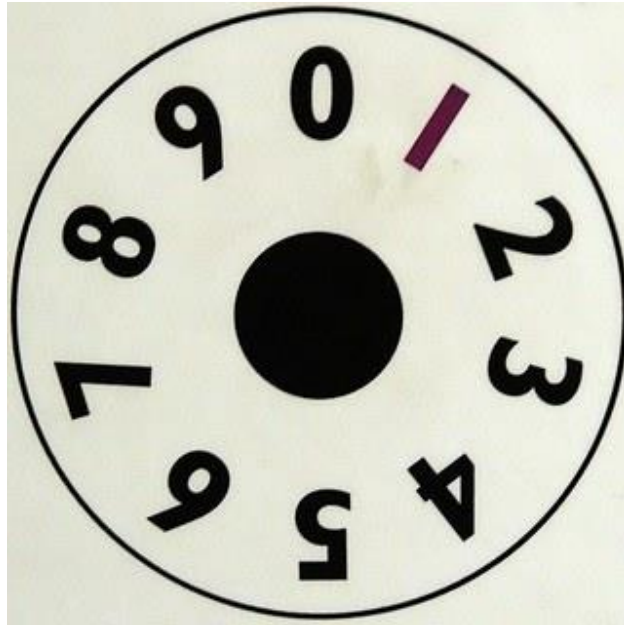








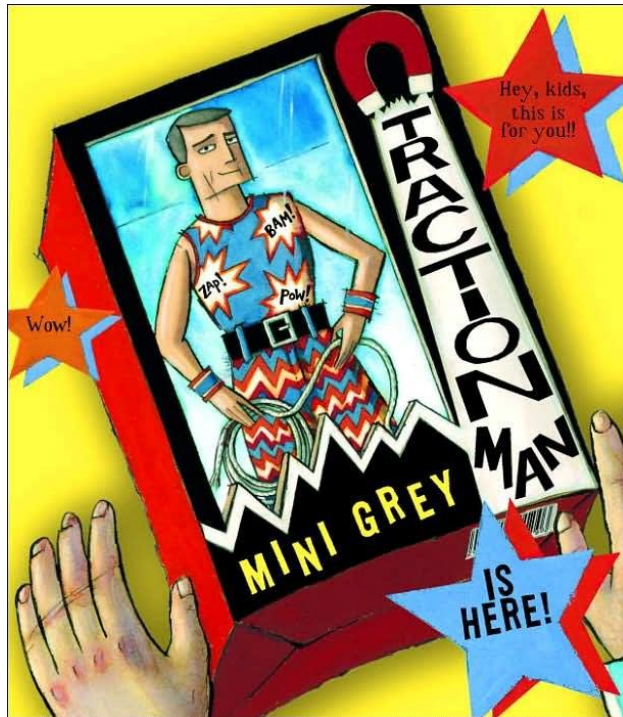
Foundation: the foundation children have worked very hard 'counting back' in maths this week; they have been using number lines to support their learning.





Year 1: in Year 1 this week the children have really enjoyed the new maths unit 'Fractions'. They have been finding half and quarters practically and by shading 2D shapes. In English they have worked together to create a class version of 'Oi Frog' and at the end of the week started to invent their very own version!





Year 2: in one of our English lessons this week, we generated ideas for our own Traction Man adventure. We needed to visit different locations in the school, turn an everyday object into a bad character, and then decide what problem that character would create in our story. Finally we needed to plan how Traction Man was going to resolve the problem, and in true Traction Man style, 'save the day!'. Miss Brokenshire and Mrs Parker were very impressed with not only how imaginative we were, but how enthusiastic towards the lesson we were.







Year 3: the children have been very busy this week using what they have learned in the current English unit in some 'short burst' writing. We have been working on expanded noun phrases and using adverbs, adverbial phrases, and adverbial clauses for 'when' and 'where'. The children really impressed me with their exceptional work, and I am very proud of what they have produced. Next week, we are going to start planning and writing our own stories. I'm sure they are going to be fabulous!

NOUNS

A noun is a person, place, animal, thing, or idea.

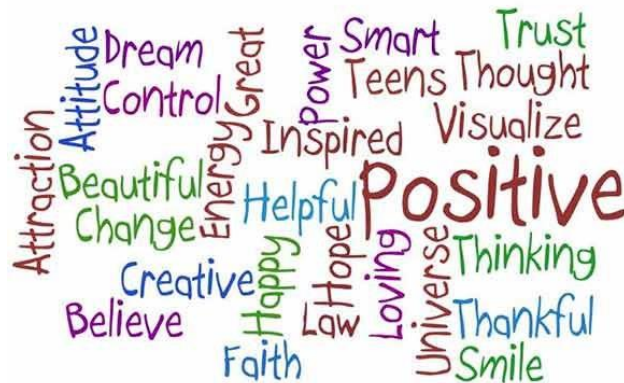
			
Person	Place	Animal	Thing
man	Paris	dog	book
Ann	city	cat	pencil
girl	school	whale	apple
Steve	home	lion	flower
child	Asia	bee	disease
Grandma	space	bull	shoe
Grandpa	kitchen	lizard	cap

www.vocabularypage.com

Year 4/5: this week the class have been learning more about how to engage safely with different online communities and how to recognise dangers online. We had brilliant fun in PE. Our new dance

unit is dance styles and this week we were trying out some moves from 1950's rock and roll! Everyone tried so hard!

Year 6: in Year 6, we have been preparing for our SATs. We are in full revision mode and the children are displaying resilience and perseverance skills in abundance. In SMSC, we have been looking at positive and negative examples of people having power and control. The children have participated in some really grown up conversations and have shown they understand these concepts.



Learners of the week, well done everyone!!



Foundation: R.Abbasi

Year 1: A.Taylor

Year 2: A.Warner

Year 3: S.McCoulough

Year 4: P.Willis

Year 5: E Shepherd

Year 6: I.Tippett

**The attendance award goes to Foundation for getting 100% this week.
Well done !**



Dates to remember!!!



08.05.24 - Class photos.

26.06.24 - Sports day on the field (weather dependent) gates open at 12.30 .

01.07.24 - Reserve Sports day on the field (weather dependent) gates open at 12.30.

05.07.24 - Summer fair on the field 3.30 - 5.00pm

Menu Week 1

Week One					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Margherita Pizza	Nonne Beef Burger in a Bun	Roast Chicken with Stuffing	Salmon & Broccoli Pasta in Tomato Sauce	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Vegetable Pasta Bake	Quorn Burger in a Bun	Veggie Roast Wellington	Freshly Prepared Mac & Cheese	Vegetable Fingers
Sides	Sweetcorn & Pasta	Baked Beans Salad Sticks Potato Wedges	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Green Beans Sliced Carrots	Baked Beans or Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
And for pudding	Strawberry Mousse	Chocolate Surprise Brownie	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Flagjack with Apple Wedges	Chocolate Shortbread
Jacket Potato	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo
Sandwich Lunch	Egg Mayo Sandwich	Cheese & Salad Wrap	Tuna Mayo Sandwich	Ham & Salad Sandwich	Cheese Mayo & Cucumber Baguette
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives *Sandwich lunch: Served with salad sticks & yoghurt & piece of fruit				
Week starting:	15/06/24 - 07/06/24 - 03/06/24 - 24/06/24 - 15/07/24 - 05/08/24 - 10/08/24 - 22/08/24				

Week Two					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Margherita Pizza	Sausage Roll	Roast Gammon	Chicken & Vegetable Meatballs in Tomato Sauce	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Quorn & Vegetable Fajita	Vegan Sausage Roll	Cheese, Potato & Leek Parcel	Veggie Balls in Tomato Sauce	Cheese Omelette
Sides	Sweetcorn & Pasta	Baked Beans or Crunchy Salad Sticks & Diced Potatoes	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Pasta & Country Mixed Veg	Baked Beans or Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
And for pudding	Chocolate Arctic Roll	Sticky Toffee Cake	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Mandarin Orange Jelly	Oat & Sultana Cookie
Jacket Potato	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo
Sandwich Lunch	Egg Mayo Sandwich	Cheese & Salad Wrap	Tuna Mayo Sandwich	Cheese & Tomato Sandwich	Ham Mayo & Cucumber Baguette
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives *Sandwich lunch: Served with salad sticks & yoghurt & piece of fruit				
Week starting:	22/04/24 - 13/05/24 - 10/06/24 - 01/07/24 - 22/07/24 - 16/09/24 - 07/10/24				

Week Three					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Homemade Margherita Pizza	Sticky Soy & Honey Chicken	Butchers Sausages & Yorkshire Pudding	Beef Bolognese	Fish Fingers
Option 2 (v)	Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake	Homemade Cheese Wheels	Quorn Sausage & Yorkshire Pudding	Quorn Bolognese	Quorn Dippers
Sides	Sweetcorn & Pasta	Baked Beans Peas & Diced Potatoes	Seasonal Vegetables Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Green Beans Sweetcorn & Spaghettti	Baked Beans or Crunchy Vegetable Sticks & Chips
And for pudding	Orange & Mango Iced Smoothie	Rice Krispie Cake	Organic Pip Ice Lolly	Only Apple Crunch	Homemade Jammy Dodger
Jacket Potato	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo	Beans/Cheese/ Tuna Mayo
Sandwich Lunch	Egg Mayo Sandwich	Cheese & Salad Wrap	Tuna Mayo Sandwich	Cheese & Tomato Sandwich	Ham Mayo & Cucumber Baguette
Available each day	Freshly Prepared Salad, Bread and Drinking Water. Fresh Fruit or Organic Yoghurt available as a pudding alternatives *Sandwich lunch: Served with salad sticks & yoghurt & piece of fruit				
Week starting:	29/04/24 - 20/05/24 - 17/06/24 - 08/07/24 - 02/09/24 - 23/09/24 - 14/10/24				

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Term time holidays- - Is it worth it ?



Mulitple 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.

5 minutes late, does it really matter ?



Lateness = Lost Learning

(Figures below are calculated over a school year)

- **5 Minutes late each day - 3 days lost**
- **10 Minutes late each day - 6.5 days lost**
- **15 Minutes late each day - 10 days lost**

- **20** Minutes late each day - **13** days lost
- **30** Minutes late each day - **19** days lost

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.

[School attendance and absence | PLYMOUTH.GOV.UK](#)

Term dates

WeST Term Dates

2023 to 2024

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Important dates
To shade (or clear) cells in the month tables, select the cells to shade and then, on the Table Tools Design tab, choose Cell Shading.
To view this calendar with all formatting and layout, on the View tab, choose Reading View.

Autumn Term Dates Monday 4 September to Friday 20 October then Monday 30 October to Tuesday 19 December
Term 1 33 days Term 2 30 days School NPD Monday 4/WeST NPD Tuesday 5 September/ WeST NPD Monday 30 October

Spring Term Dates Wednesday 3 January to Friday 9 February then Monday 19 February to Thursday 28 March
Term 3 28 days Term 4 28 days WeST NPD Monday 19 February

Summer Term Dates Monday 15 April to Friday 24 May then Monday 3 June to Tuesday 23 July
Term 5 28 days Term 6 35 days School NPD Monday 22/23 July

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 NPDs.

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Key: Peach - holiday periods; light green - weekends; blue - Trust NPDs; yellow - School NPDs

Important dates

Autumn Term Dates: Monday 2 September to Friday 25 October, then Monday 4 November to Friday 20 December

Term 1 40 days (inc. School NPD Mon 2 Sept and WeST NPD Tues 3 Sept)

Term 2 35 days

Spring Term Dates: Monday 6 January to Friday 14 February, then Monday 24 February to Friday 4 April

Term 3 30 days (inc. School NPD Monday 6 January)

Term 4 30 days

Summer Term Dates: Tuesday 21 April to Friday 23 May, then Monday 2 June to Tuesday 22 July (Note: NPDs on Mo 21 and Tu 22 Jul '25 are disaggregated for staff twilight training throughout the year. The last day of the academic year for students and staff is Friday 18 July 2025)

Term 5 23 days

Term 6 37 days

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