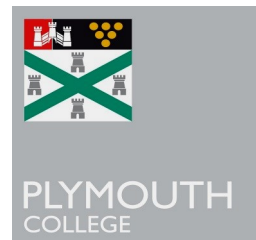


Plymouth College Preparatory School



Weekly Newsletter for 3rd February 2017

From the Headmaster

Plymouth College Scholarship Exams

I am sure that parents will wish to join me in wishing good luck to all the Year 6 pupils who are sitting the Plymouth College Scholarship Examination this weekend.

This week has seen a real buzz of activity as they have taken part in auditions and trials for the Sports and Arts scholarships and Saturday will see them sitting the academic exam. They have worked extremely hard for this so we wish them every success.

Spoken Poetry Competition

This event will take place next Thursday 9th in the Conference Room. Please note that there is a difference to the published time. The Year 5 Competition will be at 1700 and the Year 6 competition at 1800. All the pupils who qualify will be getting a message with full details via school comms. We look forward to a most entertaining evening.

First Steps Music Concert

What a fantastic concert we enjoyed on Thursday. All our young pianists played with great assurance and confidence. It is great to see so much talent coming through the school. Well done to all concerned.

YEAR 5 AND 6 PSHE AND SAFETY.

We have two key components of the PSHE Course coming up in the near future:

- A) Year 5 and 6 will be receiving online-safety training throughout the day on the 9th February. Mr Peter Frost, from the NSPCC Devon will deliver four training workshops to groups of pupils in order to increase their on-line safety awareness.
- B) After half-term Year 6 will be having the part of the PSHE programme which covers 'Life Stages; Puberty and Adolescence'. For part of this training they will be split by gender with the girls having a session with the School Nurse.

If parents wish to have any more detail about this they should contact Mr Gatherer through the school office.

Community Awards and all of the Headmaster's Commendations appear on page 2 of this newsletter >>>>>>

Headmaster's Commendations

Brooke Davis in 2AP for earning 20 House Points

Taylan Magill in 2AP for earning 20 House Points

Megan Tinney in 2AP for earning 20 House Points

Rowan Kirke in 2AP for earning 20 House Points

George Wells in 6CG for his excellent geography project

Estella Rowlands in 6CG for her excellent geography project

Millie Andrews in 6CG for her excellent geography project

Lily Walsh in 6LM for her excellent geography project

James Webb in 6CG for his excellent geography project

Jonathan Green in 6CG for his excellent geography project

Rebekah Sutherland in 3CP for reading 40 books

Tom Turner in 3CP for earning 20 House Points

Barnaby Fisher in 3CP for earning 20 House Points

Elodie McKillop in 3CP for earning 20 House Points

Oliver Wheatcroft in 4NF for earning 20 House Points

Chloe Nicholson in 3CLB for earning 20 House Points

Community Awards

This week the Community Awards were given to:

Rec: Sebastian Edge for consistently setting a good example to others

Year 1: Rose Aghdam for playing so nicely with others

Year 3: Rebekah Sutherland for a more mature and conscientious attitude

Year 4: Jemima Walsh for a cheerful mature attitude

Year 5: Verity Tank for being kind and inclusive to others

Year 6: Antonia Hicks for participating enthusiastically in all areas of school life

1st Steps Music Concert

Children from throughout the Prep School provided parents with a musical treat last night at the concert held in the Chapel.

Classical pieces such as 'Arietta' and 'Supercalafragilisticexpialidocious' were played to an appreciative audience.



YEAR 1 VISIT TO TOTNES & CHINA BLUE BY TRAIN—31.01.17



FRIENDS DIARY

Dear Friends

As you may have seen in last weeks' letter, our school Ball will be held on 13th May at the Duke of Cornwall Hotel. We have been asked about the dress code for the evening and it is quite simply "Glamorous". This includes black tie or dinner suits for men and for the ladies, long gowns, short cocktail dresses or evening suits. Anything that makes you feel fabulous!

You will have noticed that there are booking forms for the Ball in the book bags today so if you would like to book your ticket, please return the form with either cash/cheque to reception by Friday 24th March.

Once again we have to congratulate Louise Barwell who has won our school lottery for the 2nd week in a row! Please sign up for your chance to win the weekly prize and the national £25k jackpot at www.yourschoollottery.co.uk

Finally, due to a change in circumstances with our volunteers, the swap shop opening hours will be changing as of next week. It will be open on Mondays between 3.15pm-4.15pm and on Wednesdays from 3pm -4pm. Our volunteer has to be closing the swap shop on time on these days due to other commitments so please arrive at least 10mins before the shop is due to close.

We hope you have a great weekend!

Yours sincerely

Emma Edge
Vice-chair

Important Dates:

NEXT MEETING – Monday 6th March 2017 in the Junior Library at 9am

Film Night – Friday 21st April 2017

May Ball – Saturday 13th May 2017

Prep School Open Morning

Saturday 11th March 2017

10.00am—12.00 noon

For all enquiries please contact Janet Learmouth direct on 01752 831911 or email: jlearmouth@plymouthcollege.com

Forthcoming Events

Monday 6th February

Year 1 & 2 Parent Consultations
All Week

Tinies to do Infant Assembly about
Holiday Club
9.00am

Tuesday 7th February

Premier Sport to do Junior
Assembly about Holiday Club
9.00am

Wednesday 8th February

U11s A & B Football v Exeter Junior
School—at Home
2.30pm

Thursday 9th February

U9s A Football v Stover—at Home
2.00pm

U9s A Netball v Stover—at Home
2.00pm

Years 5 & 6 Spoken Poetry Finals
in the Conference Room
Year 5—at 5.00pm
Year 6—at 6.00pm

Friday 10th February

End of Half Term
Normal Hours

CONGRATULATIONS

... to Bryony Wannell who performed at the Saltash Music Festival on Tuesday. Bryony won two trophies, 87 (distinction 1st place) in 9 years and under set piece and 86 (commended 1st place) for 9 years and under own choice. One of the trophies had her older sister Jocelyn's name engraved on it from 7 years ago when she was 9!! How lovely is that!



Holiday Club

You should all have received the flyers for our two holiday clubs, which were sent out last week, in preparation for the forthcoming half term holiday.

Tinies, who run the Holiday Club for 3-6 year olds, will be attending to do an Assembly for the Infants on Monday 6th February and Premier Sport, who run the club for 6-12 year olds, will be attending to do Assembly for the Juniors on Tuesday morning, 7th February.

If you have any queries regarding either **Tinies** or **Premier Sport**, please contact Natasha Warne on 01752 831912.