

The Beacon

Academic Year 2021/22

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Hello from Mr West

As the school year draws to a close our plans and preparations for the new year are well underway. It is with this in mind that I wish to share a few developments with you.

I will start with a message of congratulations. I am delighted to let you know that we have appointed Danielle Jones as our new Assistant Headteacher from September 2022. The process was vigorous and robust and the calibre of candidates was extremely high. This appointment secures our Headship team going into the new year.

Another development will see Mr Fielding leave Montpelier to take up a new post at Blackawton Primary School. Mr Fielding has been part of the Montpelier family for 8 years and I am sure you will join me in wishing him well as he starts his new adventure.

When one door closes, another door opens and it gives me great pleasure to share that Kate Bullard and Jennies Symons will join the Head of Year team at our school from September. They will add enthusiasm, drive and a wealth of knowledge to support the children that we serve. Congratulations Kate and Jennie.

Finally, I am pleased to let you know that we will welcome two new teaching staff to our team in September, with Shelley Conroy and Charlotte Waugh, having been successful at interview, joining the team for the new academic year.

It is my intention to share our staffing structure with you before the end of term, so watch this space.

Have a wonderful weekend.

School Term Dates for 2021/2022

Mon 4th July (am) – Foundation and KS1 Sports Day

Tues 5th July (am) – Years 3 & 4 Sports Day

Tues 5th July (pm) – Years 5 & 6 Sports Day

Tues 5th July – Parents Evening - *virtual*

Thurs 7th July – Parents Evening - *virtual*

Fri 15th July – Wear what you want to wear mufti

Fri 22nd July – Last day of term (**1:30pm finish for Year 6 / 2:15pm finish for Foundation through to Year 5**)

25th & 26th July - Non-pupil days

Wed 27th July - Start of the summer holidays

School Term Dates for 2022/2023

Mon 5th Sept 2022 - Non-pupil day

Tues 6th Sept – Non-pupil day

Wed 7th Sept - First day of term

Mon 24th – Fri 28th Oct Inc. – Half term

Mon 19th Dec 2022 – 1st Jan 2023 – Christmas Holidays

Mon 2nd Jan 2023 – Bank Holiday

Tues 3rd Jan – Non-pupil day

Wed 4th Jan – First day of term

Mon 13th to Fri 17th Feb Inc. – Half term

Mon 3rd to Fri 14th Apr Inc. – Easter holidays

Mon 17th Apr - Non-pupil day

Mon 1st May – Bank holiday

Mon 29th May – Bank holiday

Tues 30th May – Fri 2nd June Inc. – Half term

Fri 30th June – Non-pupil day

Fri 21st July - Last day of term (**1:30pm finish for Year 6 / 2:15pm finish for Foundation through to Year 5**)

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Montpelier cruise past St Matthew's

On Monday, The Boys' football team faced up against St Matthew's in a Plymouth Knockout tussle at their pitch. Our Green Army got off to a flying start, with Harrison slotting the first inside 3 minutes through the keeper's legs. Our lads continued to dominate and further goals before half-time from Cooper and Ollie led to a comfortable 3-0 buffer, with the team playing at times some slick one-touch passing.

To their credit, St Matthew's upped the tempo after the break, but our backline held firm with little alarm to coast to a 3-0 final score.

Congratulations to Olly, Roo, Freddie, Harrison, Billy, Charlie, Jamie, Cooper and Ollie.

Thank you to the parents who came to support the team and especially to Olly's dad for refereeing.

Onwards to the next round!

Mr Robinson & Mr Carhart

Sports Day

Just a reminder that it's our annual Sports Day next week. KS1 on Monday 4th at 10am. Year 3 & 4 on Tuesday 5th at 9.30am and Year 5 & 6 at 1.20pm. These will take place at DHSG on the field.

Please make sure your child is wearing the correct PE Kit - black shorts, white T-Shirt and sensible footwear (trainers or plimsolls) Please wear this to school.

Please provide your child with a named water bottle, sun hat and apply sunscreen before school.

Many thanks, Mrs Pearce

PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON ZIG-ZAG LINES AROUND OUR SCHOOL

Don't cause an obstruction

YELLOW zig-zag lines on the road are most often seen outside schools, yet many motorists are still unsure as to what they mean.

Also commonly found outside hospitals, police and fire stations, yellow zig-zag lines have a very specific meaning but signs next to them may suggest to drivers that the rules only apply between certain hours, which seems to be the source of many people's confusion.

Let's take a look at what yellow zig-zag lines mean and clear up some misconceptions.

Is it illegal to park on zig-zag lines outside schools?

Yes, it's always illegal to park on yellow zig-zag lines anywhere. Rule 243 of the Highway Code indicates a range of places where motorists must not park, including on a bend, a dropped kerb or the brow of a hill. It also states that drivers must not park near a school entrance, anywhere that would prevent access for emergency services or near a bus stop, tram stop or taxi rank. Again, the rule will often — but not always — be made obvious with yellow zig-zags on the road.

Parking outside a school specifically may obstruct visibility for parents and children trying to cross the road and is thus highly dangerous.



What is the penalty for parking on zig-zag lines?

It depends on which body issues the penalty. If caught by the police, although it's a non-endorsable offence, drivers could face a fine of between £50 and £100. A local authority issuing a penalty charge notice may fine the driver either £50 or £70, though the charge is usually halved if paid within 14 days.

RN FPS Community Support DEPLOYMENT SUPPORT EVENT

Crownhill Community Centre
Crownhill Fort Road, Plymouth, PL6 5BX



ROYAL NAVY Deployment Support

**CROWNHILL
COMMUNITY CENTRE
NO NEED TO PRE BOOK**

**14 MAY
06 AUG
29 OCT** ALL AT 1000 - 1200

Deployment support session for anyone who has a family member deployed.
RN FPS plus other organisations will be there to offer advice, support and guidance.
Memory Boxes and arts and crafts for the children, refreshments available.



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