



The Pilgrim Post

Issue 5 – Friday 26th January 2018



Dear Parents / Carers,

We have had a very busy few weeks at Pilgrim including a fantastic day on Wednesday learning about Chinese New Year (see over for more details). Year 5 have had a day at the Peninsular Medical School as part of their Widening Horizons project and Year 1 have been busy learning about Captain Scott out and about in the city. Looking forward to up and coming events, please note:

Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings

Consultation Evenings will be on Wednesday 21st Feb (3.30-5.50pm) and Thursday 22nd Feb (3.30-4.50pm). These meetings are a chance for you to discuss your child's progress and generally find out how they are getting on at school. I am drawing your attention to these dates well in advance so that we can ensure that as many of you as possible attend these crucial meetings (more details of how and when to book appointments will be sent out at the end of next week).

Parent/Carer Annual Survey

After half term we will be asking for your feedback to school in the form of our **annual survey** to Parents and Carers. Your opinions and ideas are really important to us and help to shape the future life of the school but the survey can also be a place for you to raise issues that you would like to be better informed about. An example would be, that in the last survey, results showed that some parents/carers were unsure about how we deal effectively with any incidents of bullying. In response to that, we planned an 'Anti-bullying awareness' day in school in November, teaching the children how to recognise the signs of bullying and what to do about it. The older children were taught about remaining safe online and how to deal with online bullying. At school, we teach the children to think of the phrase 'STOP' to help recognise bullying behaviour: actions that are intended to upset or harm 'Several Times On Purpose'. Our Behaviour Policy includes more information about how we deal effectively with bullying behaviour and is available on our website or from the school office. So, please do use the survey to feedback to school – your opinions do really count!

Please also note some new dates of other events coming up which have been added to our Diary section of this newsletter. We are looking forward to more exciting learning in the last two weeks of this half term...where has the time gone?

Mrs Meek

Pat on the Back

12/01/18

Year 1

Sasha W / Thomas O

Year 2

Ellie H / James W

Year 3

Daley C / Katie G

Year 4

Oliver Le / Lleyton S

Year 5

Tolouse S

Year 6

Devon B

Star Writer

19/01/18

Year 1

Adas K / Iyad A

Year 2

Jack A / Michal B

Year 3

Olivier B / Ibrahim A

Year 4

Renato G / Lena G

Year 5

Avend R

Year 6

Kerry B

Star Mathematician

19/01/18

Year 1

Sienna-Mae H / Paris B

Year 2

Tommie M-C / Roxy H

Year 3

Maria R / Liam T

Year 4

Amelia G / Nabaa A

Year 5

Summer B

Year 6

Skye B-C

Pat on the Back

26/01/18

Year 1

Jenson H / Oli C

Year 2

Eduardo G / Olivia W

Year 3

Holly W / Lola H

Year 4

Lleyton S / Adam C

Year 5

Alfie D

Year 6

Freya B



House Point Totals



	Smeaton	Eddystone	Douglass	Rudyard
25/01/18	87	122	86	88
Scores to date	1387	1655	1380	1660

Attendance - Our Target is **96 %**

Week Ending 26/01/18	Whole School Attendance	Best Class Attendance	Best Class Punctuality
Last Week	96.7 %	4SC (Lions) 99.6%	2RH (Owls) 2 Lates
Year to Date	95.4 %	4SC (Lions) 97.7%	FHT (Fox Cubs) 21 Lates

City Youth Council

On Tuesday 16th January, 4 members of our school council attended the Plymouth City Youth Council, CYC. While there, we heard various presentations covering themes from the importance of self-esteem to learning about a new initiative from dieticians called Sugar Smart. As a School Council, we are going to be looking closely at this initiative and making some decisions to improve our sugar levels in



Chinese New Year Art Day



On Wednesday we were visited by the Plymouth Chinese Association who told us about their exciting art competition. In KS1 we learned about the Chinese zodiac animals and created artwork for our favourite animal. In KS2 we learned about the 15 days of the Chinese New Year and created our own pieces of artwork to depict one of the 15 days. The children's artwork will be entered into a competition. All winners will have their artwork printed on to canvas and displayed in the Plymouth Guildhall on Sunday 18th February 2018. We are delighted with the children's efforts and hope to see some of our children's work on display at the celebration.



Dates for your Diary...



09/02/18 – CaterEd Pancake Themed Lunch / Diversity Day / 3JD Assembly

12/02/18 - Half Term – Return to school on **19/02/18**

21/02/18 and 22/02/18 – Parent/Carer Consultation Evenings (more to follow)

20/02/18 to 26/02/18 – Life Caravan on site **02/03/18** – 4SC Assembly

16/03/18 – **School Closed** – Training Day **23/03/18** – CaterEd Sports Relief Themed Lunch

29/03/18 – **Easter Holidays** - Return to School on **16/04/18**

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