

The Beacon

Academic Year 2019/20

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Hello from Mrs Hunter

We have reached the half way point to our school year. Half time in a sports match allows the coach to re-group their team and to make changes. At the theatre the interval allows for scene changes and costume changes, for make-up to be refreshed and for the audience to get ready for a change in direction of the plot. But whatever the situation of a 'half-way break', all involved get the chance to pause, to breath and to reflect. There is the chance to have a moment to yourself, no matter how brief, and to get ready for the second half of what you are taking part in. This is the same for school. This week we had parents' evenings to enable us to reflect on how our children are doing and where they need to focus next. We now have the break, take the deep breath and get ready for the second part of the year. Thank you to each member of the school family who has put so much into our children's experience at Montpelier so far since September and thank you in advance for all that happens in the second half too!

I wanted to take this opportunity to give you a quick Bess update. She is nine months this weekend and continues to do really well. We decided to step away officially from the charity who we were working with. While they were incredibly knowledgeable and have certainly enabled us to make sure that Bess has made the best start as our school assistance dog, some of their requests were too restrictive in terms of my time – they were unhappy that I have a few members of staff in school who are 'Team Bess' and help look after her while I get out and about, instead wanting me to stay with her all the time. However, Bess and I continue to train with a lady who works for the charity. This means that we are being instructed by someone who is experienced in training dogs to work with children and she is really impressed with how Bess is doing. Bess is a year old in May and then she will be able to start to work with some of our children, which is so exciting. I have really missed getting out on the gate to see everyone each day and am excited that as she gets older I will be able to come out again and have her with me. If you do see us then please just ignore her for now. She has to learn that not everyone wants to play with her!

Have a fabulous half term/half time/interval and I will see you for the second half!

Mrs Hunter ☺

School Term Dates for 2019/2020

Mon 17th – Fri 21st Feb Inc. - Half term

Wed 26th Feb - Parent Forum

Thurs 5th March – World Book Day / Bedtime stories

Thurs 12th March – 1M Parent lunch

Thurs 12th March – 1S Parent lunch

Fri 13th March – Sports Relief mufti

Thurs 19th March – 1P Parent lunch

Mon 30th March – Mon 13th April Inc. – Easter holidays

Tues 14th April – Non-Pupil Day

Fri 8th May – Bank Holiday

Mon 11th May - Yr6 SATs

Sun 17th – 22nd May – Yr 6 Bude

Mon 25th – Fri 29th May - Half term

Fri 26th June – Non-Pupil Day

Wed 22nd July – end of term (1:30pm finish for Year 6 / 2:15pm finish for Foundation through to Year 5)

Thurs 23rd July – First day of summer holidays

Thurs 3rd & Fri 4th Sept - Non-Pupil Day

Mon 7th Sept – First day of term

Mother's Day Gifts

The PTFA will be selling Mother's day gift during school hours week beginning 16th March (date to be confirmed). All money to be placed in an envelope, with your child's name and class on. A safe place for children to buy a small wrapped gift, various items all under £5.

Montpelier PTFA

Parent Lunches

Soon you will be receiving an invite to join your child for lunch. This will give you an opportunity to sample the school meals and help you to understand the mealtime routine. Ellen Jones the kitchen manager will be available to discuss any questions you may have. The cost per meal is £3.20, paid via SchoolMoney. A letter will come home nearer the time inviting you to partake. At this point in time we can only accommodate 1 adult per child, this may be a parent/carer, grandparent, auntie, uncle etc.

Class/Year Group	Date of Parent Lunch
1M	12 th March 2020
1P	19 th March 2020
1S	12 th March 2020
2M	16 th April 2020
2P	23 rd April 2020
2S	30 th April 2020
Year 3	7 th May 2020
Year 4	4 th June 2020
Year 5	11 th June 2020
Year 6	18 th June 2020

Foundation parents' were invited into school to have lunch with their child back in September.

Railway Beacon YFC

Railway Beacon YFC require additional players for our current U9 TEAM to play 7 V 7 Mini Soccer Games on Saturday's in The Devon Junior Minor League season 2019/20.

Age qualification must be school year 3 or 4, starting September 2019

Please contact Manager Jim Lucas on No. 07948722926 for training details.





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FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2020

Book our courses online

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SOCCER ROADSHOW

Our Soccer Roadshows are age and football specific with the emphasis on fun, enjoyment and development. Sessions include skills, technique, competitions and small sided games.

FEB SPECIAL

Finish the February half term with an action packed day of football activities from shooting sessions to World Cup Tournaments. Added incentive all participants will walk away with an Argyle related prize alongside coaches holding some random draws at the end of the day for a selection of prizes.

GIRLS ONLY ROADSHOW

Our Girls Only Roadshows are age and football specific with the emphasis on fun, enjoyment and development. Sessions include skills, technique, competitions and small sided games.

MINI PILGRIMS

Mini Pilgrim football sessions are aimed at three - six year olds, who are experiencing their first taste of a structured coaching session. The sessions are staffed at a ratio of 4 coaches to 16 children. The emphasis is to improve the children's listening and concentration skills whilst working on balance and co ordination. The children can develop in a safe and fun environment over the duration of the sessions.

DISABILITY SOCCER ROADSHOW

A fun-filled day packed with football games in an inclusive and comfortable environment. The day is tailored for children with a physical impairment, learning disability or mental health condition.

TRAIN LIKE A PRO

Invitation only - a chance for players to receive additional training during the school holidays.

PL STARS

Premier League Future Stars offers multi-sports activities that include football, handball and dodgeball. From learning the sports to engaging within competitions we focus on the core PL Stars values - Be Connected, Be Ambitious, Be Fair, Be Inspiring. Can you be the next future star?

MULTI SPORTS

Chance for participants to undertake a wide range of sports throughout the day. Sports will vary from football, handball, tag rugby plus many more. Each venue and area will operate different sports to keep participants engaged.

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All courses for boys and girls of all abilities aged 5 - 15 years.

Courses run from 10am to 3pm with the exception of Mini Pilgrims 10am to 12pm



LEARN.
PLAY.
SUCCEED.

Prices from £5 - £32
Registration opens at 9.40am

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PLYMOUTH

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
P01	Plymouth Argyle FC, Home Park	17 & 18 February	£32	£24	2 Day Soccer Roadshow
P02	Manadon Sports and Community Hub	19 February	£10	£8	PL Primary Stars Day
P03	Wembury Primary School	19 February	£12	£10	Soccer Roadshow
P04	Plympton Academy	20 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
P05	Plympton Academy (Girls only)	20 February	£18	£13	Girls only Roadshow
P06	Wembury Primary School	20 February	£12	£10	Multi-Sports Day
P07	Hybridge Community College	21 February	£19	£14	Feb Special
P08	Plymouth Argyle FC, Home Park	21 February	£19	£14	Feb Special

EAST CORNWALL

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
EC01	Bodmin Dragon Centre	17 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
EC02	Torpoint YMCA (Torpoint and Rame)	18 February	£18	£13	Search for a Star
EC03	Torpoint YMCA (Torpoint and Rame) 10am-12pm	18 February	£5	£5	Mini Pilgrims
EC04	Saltash, Net Community College AstroIndoors	19 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
EC05	Liskeard Lux Park	20 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
EC06	Liskeard Lux Park - 10am-12pm	20 February	£5	£5	Mini Pilgrims
EC07	Lanivet Community Hub Bodmin	21 February	£19	£14	Feb Special

NORTH DEVON & CORNWALL

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
ND01	St Josephs School, Launceston	17 February	£18	£13	Search for a Star
ND02	St Peter's CE Junior School, Tavistock	17 February	£10	£8	Soccer Roadshow
ND03	Wadebridge Primary School	18 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
ND04	Bude Town FC (2 Day)	19 & 20 February	£32	£24	2 Day Soccer Roadshow
ND05	St Josephs School, Launceston	21 February	£19	£14	Feb Special
ND06	St Teath FC	21 February	£19	£14	Feb Special

MID CORNWALL

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
MCO1	Penair School	17 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
MCO2	Treviglas School	18 February	£18	£13	Train Like A Pro
MCO3	Pottair School	20 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
MCO4	Falmouth School	21 February	£19	£14	Feb Special

WEST CORNWALL

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
WC01	Helston Football Club	17 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
WC02	Ilogan Football Club	18 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
WC03	Cam Brea Leisure Centre	19 February	£18	£13	Soccer Roadshow
WC04	Helston Football Club	20 February	£18	£13	Girls Only Roadshow
WC05	St Day Football Club	21 February	£19	£14	Feb Special

DISABILITY

NO.	VENUE	DATE	COST	ONLINE COST	THEME
DD1	Manadon Sports & Community Hub	20 February	£18	£13	Disability Soccer Roadshow

16 medals to collect!

Every participant on every course will walk away with a medal.



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DINNER AND BREAKFAST CLUB DEBTS

Thank you to those parents who regularly pay in advance and keep their accounts clear. May we take this opportunity to remind everyone that payment for school meals and breakfast club should be in advance as per school policy as unfortunately, debts are mounting up. If unable to make payment for whatever reason please contact the school office.

Zig Zags Lines

You MUST NOT wait or park on yellow lines. Double yellow lines indicate a prohibition of waiting at any time even if there are no upright signs. Please do NOT wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings. Those yellow lines are there specifically for the purpose of indicating that no parking is allowed because of the potential danger to children!

Change of menu

Please note there will be a change of menu on Tuesday 25th February. Ellen and her team are serving pancakes for dessert with the school lunches. The main meals remain the same.

Lunch time
Languages

Spanish Club

Thursdays
from 12.40pm to 13.10pm
in the phonics classroom

£25 per block of 10 lessons
years 1 to 6

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