

The Beacon

Academic Year 2019/20

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Hello from Mrs Hunter

Hundreds of you will have been on site this week to watch the Year 3 to 5 performance of Aladdin. This is the second year that we have put on a cross-year production, which is open to all children who wish to take part. The cast of 197 children have worked incredibly hard to put the show together in just two weeks. At Montpelier, we value these opportunities as they teach our children so much: how to deal with nerves; how to cope with disappointment when your part is not quite what you wanted; how to co-operate and be patient; how to manage your time to learn lines and routines and also how to cope when things go wrong. There are many things that they can learn and experience during this fortnight of rehearsing that they can't learn from a maths lesson. It is also so inspiring to see children show us skills that we were not aware they had and to see their confidence to grow from a previous performance - there are so many new faces this year taking more demanding parts that the Book of the Jungle audience will not have seen last year. Thank you to all who have bought a ticket – the licence costs us approximately £450 so the money we raise covers the cost of that along with anything we need to buy in the way of props. We hope you think that it is money well spent. We have our last performance this evening – all aboard the magic carpet for one last time. I quite fancy having a genie and three wishes of my own!

Mrs Hunter ☺

Parent Forum – A Focus on Homework

Our next Parent Forum is on Wednesday 26th February at 2pm. As ever, there will be an open forum for parents to raise any issues with Mrs Hunter. However, she is very keen to hear parents' views on our current homework policy. Is there too much homework or not enough? Do you want the focus or purpose to be different? What is your experience of homework at home? If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to share your thoughts then please do email Mrs Hunter via admin@mpsplymouth.net

Change to option 1 and 2 on Monday 27th January

Option 1 - Chicken Chow Mein

Option 2 - Sweet and Sour vegetables

Both served with Vegetable Spring Rolls
and Egg Fried Rice



School Term Dates for 2019/2020

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

Wed 26th Feb - Parent Forum

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

Thurs 23rd July – First day of summer holidays

Thrift Shop

After listening to parent's ideas, you are now able to purchase second hand uniform from the thrift shop in the Cafe. As this is now open Monday-Thursday from 8.30-9.30am and Tuesday-Thursday 3.15-4pm we hope this will make it more accessible to pop in and make your purchase. All items are just 50p each. School shorts and summer dresses will be available from mid-March so you can stock up before the summer term.

Old uniform in good condition to sell for thrift can be passed to the main reception. Please note we only resell sweatshirts with the school logo. Thankyou

Jane Gilbert, Parent Support Advisor

Every Friday During Term
Time

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6:00-7:30PM

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