

# The Beacon

**Academic Year 2019/20**

**Issue No: 4**

**Date 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 2019**

## *Hello from Mr West*

Having sat down to consider my part in the Beacon this week, I found myself searching for something other than the predictable following our Ofsted inspection. However, after attempting to write (on more than one occasion) I really could not (especially this week) not acknowledge the events of Tuesday and Wednesday.

I will start by echoing the words of Mrs Hunter – your support (and this is true throughout the academic year) has meant so much. A number of you have asked how it went - to which my response has been “I am not allowed to say”. On occasion, this was followed by a request for a gesture to indicate the outcome – to which came the same response. As Mrs Hunter communicated, we appreciate that it is frustrating for parents to have wait to find out what a school’s judgement is. However, we do want to make sure that we abide by the guidance that has been given to us.

I do hope you enjoy the weekend – I for one will certainly do so. I am looking forward to spending time with my family and catching up on much needed sleep.

## *Tempest Photographer – individual photographs*

The photographer will be in school on Thursday 17th October to take photographs of all children in Foundation & KS1 and again on Monday 28th October to take individual photographs of all children in KS2.

For family/group photographs please come into school as near to 8am on either day – KS1 Hall

## *School Term Dates for 2019/2020*

**Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Harvest Festival

**Tues 15<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Parents Evening

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Parents Evening

**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Tempest Individual & Family Group photos for Foundation & KS1 from 8am KS1 Hall

**Mon 21<sup>st</sup> to Fri 25<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Half term

**Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Mount Edgcumbe Country Park Spooky Trail. Fancy Dress 1:30pm on the terrace in front of the House. £3 per child – a goody bag at the end for all registered. register 12noon -2:45. Trail closes 4pm

**Mon 28<sup>th</sup> Oct** – Tempest Individual & Family Group photos for KS2 from 8am KS1 Hall

**Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> Oct** – Parent Forum, 9.00am

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> Nov** – PTFA Quiz Night

**Fri 29<sup>th</sup> Nov** – Non-Pupil Day

**Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2020 Inc.** – Christmas Holidays

**Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Jan** – Non-Pupil Day

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup> – Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Feb Inc.** - Half term

**Mon 30<sup>th</sup> March – Mon 13<sup>th</sup> April Inc.** – Easter holidays

**Tues 14<sup>th</sup> April** – Non-Pupil Day

**Fri 8<sup>th</sup> May** – Bank Holiday – *please note the change of date*

**Mon 11<sup>th</sup> May** - Yr6 SATs

**Sun 17<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> May** – Yr 6 Bude

**Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Fri 29<sup>th</sup> May** - Half term

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> June** – Non-Pupil Day

**Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> July** – end of term

**Thurs 23<sup>rd</sup> July** – First day of summer holidays

## *Catering Assistant - role profile.*

*Vacancy Description Montpelier Primary School Permanent 10 hours per week 38 weeks per year Grade B - £9.36 - £9.55 per hour*

Please be aware that there is a minimum age restriction to all CATERed positions of 18 years old. As you would work with industrial machinery this is a legal requirement for insurance purposes. CATERed Ltd – We are an award winning catering company recognised for our pro-active, dynamic and innovative approach to providing great tasting school food. We're now looking to recruit you to be part of exciting company. Have you got what it takes to work for CATERed?

Are you: Great with people? Continuously growing and developing? Passionate about doing the right thing, not the easy thing? Passionate about what we do?

Can you: Dare to be different? Put the customer first?

We are looking for an enthusiastic, reliable and committed individual to work as a catering assistant. The successful applicant will be required to work Monday to Fridays and all posts will be term time only aligned to the school calendar.

Training will be provided and daily tasks will be varied. Duties will include assisting the Catering Manager with the preparation and depending on hours worked cooking schools lunches, also setting up and putting away dining room furniture.

Please note this position is not suitable for job share

The Disclosure & Barring Service Check requirement for this post is Enhanced Check + DBS Children's Barred List (previously known as CRB Check).

For an informal chat about the current vacancy please ring Becky Doran, CATERed Account Manager on 01752 977306

**Closing date: Wednesday 2 October 2019**

## *Mount Edgcumbe House and Country Park, Cremyll, Torpoint, Cornwall, PL10 1HZ*

Put on your most Spooktacular costume and come and join in the fun. Register to take part at the Barrow Centre Registration starts at 12 noon – last registration 2:45pm – the trail closes at 4pm There will be a fancy dress competition for all ages. This will be held at 1:30 pm on the terrace in front of the House with prizes for the scariest costumes £3 per child – a goody bag at the end for all registered. Don't forget to wear your coats and wellies in case it Rains For more information, follow us on [www.mountedgcumbe.gov.uk](http://www.mountedgcumbe.gov.uk), Facebook or 'events' on [friends-of-mount-edgcumbe.org.uk](http://friends-of-mount-edgcumbe.org.uk)

## *Open Evening Saltash Community School*

Students in Years 5 & 6 and their parents/carers are warmly invited to the Saltash Community School

Open Evening to be held on: Wednesday 2nd and Thursday 3rd October 6.30pm

[www.saltash.net](http://www.saltash.net) | 01752 843715 [enquiries@saltashcloud.net](mailto:enquiries@saltashcloud.net)

## *Music News*

No violin/ukulele or drum lessons next week. Your child will still receive at least 10 lessons before Christmas, but as the term is longer than 10 weeks, there is not a lesson every week.

## *Plymouth School of Creative Arts Open Evening*

Plymouth School of Creative Arts would like to invite you to join them for their Secondary Open Evening for parents and prospective students. Refreshments will be available on arrival, followed by a presentation in the Red House Theatre. You will then have the opportunity to look around the school, speak to members of the teaching staff and ask any questions you may have. There is no need to register, just go along at 6pm. Or you can let them know you're coming on their Facebook Event: <https://www.facebook.com/events/698284720621128/>

For further information, contact Mel Tucker on [mtucker@psca.co.uk](mailto:mtucker@psca.co.uk)

## Hockey

Please note there will be no hockey on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Mrs Pearce

## Tag Rugby

Last Friday 12 children from year 5&6 took part in the schools Rugby World Cup competition held on Albion pitch. Each school were given a Country and had to design their own kit. The winning school would receive free coaching from one of the Plymouth Albion players. We were Tonga, the kit was amazing and won first place, the Haka was pretty good too!!! The team played 5 matches, winning 3. Fantastic teamwork, well done. Have a look on the school Facebook page for our own version of the Haka.

## Cross Country

The sun was shining for our first Cross Country event held at Plymbridge yesterday. 24 children across year 3 – 6 participated. All athletics ran fantastically trying to finish in the lowest position to gain points for their team. Thank you to those parents who were able to provide transport. The overall results –

Year 3&4 girls – 2<sup>nd</sup>, Year 3&4 boys – 4<sup>th</sup>, Year 5&6 girls – 5<sup>th</sup>, Year 5&6 boys 3<sup>rd</sup>

The next competition is next Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> at Coombe Dean, and then Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October at Eggbuckland School, the first event starts at 4pm. If you are able to transport your child to and from any of these events, please let me know, we can enter as many children as we wish.

