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MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF LEARNING

This week

It has been another busy week, full of exciting learning opportunities! Herge class enjoyed an art workshop at Plymouth University; Foundation class welcomed their families to lunch; and all classes have taken part in Anti-Bullying Week.

We were immersed in yellow and spots today! Thank you for your support of this worthwhile charity.



Thank you to our wonderful PTFA for organising and supervising the recent disco. We are blessed to have such a loyal group of parents.

Thank you to those of you who attended the parent forum on Monday. Your ideas and suggestions are valued highly.

Coming up...

Book, toy and cake sale in aid of the Catholic Children's Society - Friday 1st December

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Potterton
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LITURGY IN SCHOOL

Parents and parishioners are invited to join us for liturgy, 9am, Monday mornings.

The theme for our prayer and worship this week is:

Use your talents!



Dear Jesus, thank you for our gifts. Help us not to be scared to use these gifts. Please teach us to use our talents wisely for the good of others.

Amen.

MM (Y4) - Erin
JKR (Y5) - Luke
RMK (Y6) – Sam

Top Table Awards



JD (F) – Aya
SJ(Y1) – Elijah
EC (Y1/2) - Esme
H (Y2)- Tomas
RD (Y3) - Gerran
DKS (Y3) - Zuzanna
MM (Y4) - Hassan
JKR (Y5) - Ava
RMK (Y6) – Jessica

On Time Heroes



Being on time for school is crucial for learning. Our 'On Time Heroes' this week are: -

Y4 – Michael Morpurgo
Y5 – J K Rowling
Y6 – Ross McKenzie

Wonders of the Week



JD (F) – Mason and Harish
SJ(Y1) – Euri
EC (Y1/2) - Melissa
RD (Y3)- Gerran
DKS (3) - Laura

Well done to all three classes!



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1st St Judes
2nd St Teresa
3rd St Andrew
4th St Julie

Dates for your Diary



Here is a list of some important dates confirmed for this term.

[All information is available on our website calendar.](#)

- **1st December**
Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth)
Advent Project Sale
- **6th December**
Foundation Christmas Production - 1.30pm
- **7th December**
Foundation Christmas

Production - 1.30pm

- **12th December**
Christmas Production
(1.30pm & 6pm)
- **13th December**
Christmas Production
(6pm)
- **14th December**
Christmas Jumper
Mufti Day



A letter has been sent home this week regarding a free workshop for parents and carers to attend. The aim of the workshop is to provide parents and carers with useful tools, support and guidance to help their children and families stay safe online. The hour long workshop will be held at the following:

- Thursday 23rd November
2pm – Cathedral School
- Thursday 23rd November
4pm – Holy Cross School

If you are unable to attend either workshop but feel you would benefit from some support or guidance regarding matters online, you can call the O2 and NSPCC Online Safety Helpline on 0808-800-5002 or alternatively you can pop into your local O2 store who will be happy to help.



Plymouth City Council's Fit and Fed project has been shortlisted for Tesco 'Bags of Help' funding. Fit and Fed aims to fight holiday hunger, isolation and inactivity by providing young people with affordable holiday provision. This year Tesco have engaged with 266 different students from all across the city, many of whom access free school meals during term time.

Each time you make a purchase at any Tesco store you will receive a token. If you could place the token in the right hand voting box marked "Plymouth City Council - Fit and Fed Project" on exit of the store, your vote will be counted towards securing further funding. Voting is open from 1 November 2017 until 1 January 2018 in all Plymouth Stores.



We are delighted to offer a range of clubs this term.
For more information on each club please see the Noticeboard in the top playground or pick up a leaflet from the school office.



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Kidzklub is held at Plymouth Christian Centre on Friday evenings during term time between 5.45 and 7.15pm. It is for any children who are between 5-11 years old. It is a fun club with games, competitions, music, great stories, wacky drama, prizes, sweets and more. It has a programme packed with multimedia, music and songs, competitions and games, drama and great stories, all presented from a Christian viewpoint. It is all free of charge. There is an opportunity for parents to come and join us in a coffee lounge during the programme. An area where grownups can bring younger siblings and relax and enjoy tea, coffee and biscuits. All while their older children are being entertained in the Kidzklub and youth programme. You are also welcome to take your coffee into the balcony area and watch the fun downstairs!

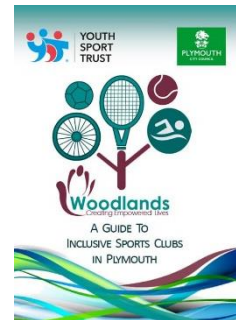
If you would like any further information please take a look at the web page <http://www.plymouthchristiancentre.org/activities/children/kidz-klub> or contact Emma on; emma@plymouthchristiancentre.org

Your Opinion matters

Following feedback from our Parent Forum, we have decided that we would like to give our newsletter a fresh new feel. We would therefore welcome any thoughts you may have for items you may wish to see on the newsletter or indeed anything you would wish to see improved/removed. It is your newsletter so please do let us know. You can send any thoughts to holy.cross.rc.primary.school@plymouth.gov.uk, or in writing to the office.

What's On

Plymouth Youth Sports Trust would like to invite you to an information morning at Plymouth Life Centre on Wednesday 22nd November between 10am – 12pm.



The morning will be aimed at providing information on supporting young people who are transitioning from school to college/adult life. There will also be focus on providing information to parents of all young people across the city with additional needs whether that be learning, behavioural, physical, sensory or emotional needs.



Plymouth, Anxiety, Depression Support are a local support group who try and help and support adults struggling with mental health difficulties. They regularly run coffee meets where adults struggling with mental health can all get together with others, hopefully helping them to feel less alone.

For more information contact Kerry on 07599-996389



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Important Information



We have a very full Lost Property Box containing lots of school uniform and even winter coats! If you are missing any items of clothing, please can you come into the School Office and check the box. Please remember that all uniform should be clearly labelled with your child's name.



Please remember that your ParentPay account is to remain **in credit at all times**. If you are having trouble paying, please contact the school office.

Your co-operation would be very much appreciated.

It is possible to set up reminders on your ParentPay account to notify you when your balance is low. For more

information on receiving notifications from ParentPay to help you manage your account, please ask the School Office team who will be happy to help you set up this service.



We accept the following
Childcare Vouchers:

Edenred ref - **P21102440**

Fideliti ref - **HOL357C**

Allsave/Sodexo/p&mm/
salary plus ref – **872743**

Computershare ref –
0024415526

If you have any questions regarding childcare vouchers please contact the school

Thank you all for your support as always. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Potterton and Mr Cotter