

Newsletter

Happy New Year

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Next Coffee Morning is on Thursday 6th Februaury
- Clocks go forward on Sunday 29th March
- The official first day of Spring is March 19th!.
- Almost time to hang up those winter coats!

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Welcome back Plymouth Grovers! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a fantastic new year and are looking forward to an exciting and busy year ahead.

We managed to get through the holidays without any snow but it may be coming soon! Britain could be facing a new "Beast from the East" big freeze this winter, scientists have warned. After studying sea temperatures and air pressure over the north Atlantic Ocean, climate experts have suggested January and February 2020 could be among the coldest for decades. Have any of you made any new years resolutions yet or perhaps you have a long list of things like read more, save money, do chores, eatwell, be good to others or even work harder at school!



We really want every child to work extra hard with their attendance this year. Speak to your child about the importance of making sure they attend school promptly every day so they are not missing out on important learning. 12 reasons 2020 will be an awesome year. Get ready for the first complete synthetic human brain, moon mining, and much more. ... According to a dazzling number of technology predictions that single out the year 2020, it's going to be one heck of a year!

Did you know that 2020 is a leap year? This means there will be twenty nine days in February instead of twenty eight! We have a leap year every four years. Most people born on Leap Day , that's February 29, call themselves leaplings. They've also been referred to as Leapers, Leapsters, and Leap Day babies.

Helping your child

Useful websites for Foundation stage children

Phonics

Letters and sounds- <u>http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/</u> Phase 2 Games- <u>http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/phase-2-games.html</u> Phase 3 Games- <u>http://www.letters-and-sounds.com/phase-3-games.html</u>

Maths games- <u>https://www.topmarks.co.uk/maths-games/3-5-years/counting</u> Ten ways to help your child with maths- <u>http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/joinin/</u> <u>numberblocks-help-your-child-with-maths</u>

Count by 2s- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GvTcpfSnOMQ</u> Count by 5s- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EemjeA2Djjw</u> Count by 10s- <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ftati8iGQcs</u>

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Talent wins games but Teamwork and Intelligence wins Championships

Micheal Jordan

If you enjoy what you do, don't be afraid of expressing your enthusiasm. Enjoyment is infectious.

Sir Alan Sugar

After School Clubs

Monday	Lego Robotics Hockey Choir	3.15-4.30 3.15-4.15 3.20-4.00	Mrs Turner Miss Thompson Mrs S Malone	6T Classroom Hall Music Room
Tuesday	Forest Club (KS2) Debatemate	3.15-4.15 3.20-4.20	Mr Turner/Miss Thompson Miss S Thomp- son	Forest Year 5 Classroom
Thursday	Multiskills (KS1/ KS2) Discovery Club	3.15-4.15 3.30-4.30	Active Schools Miss F Dale	Hall 5D Classroom
Friday	School Parlia- ment Football (KS1)	8.30-9.00 3.15-4.15	Miss S Thomp- son St Jon-MCFC	Hall Astro

Please note :

Debatemate will run every Tuesday 3.20 –4.20 starting on Tuesday 21st January.

School Parliament will run every Friday 8.30-9.00 starting Friday 31st January.

Achievements

We received a letter from the House of Commons, from our local MP Lucy Powell with the fantastic news about her Christmas Card Competition. Ms Powell wrote:

"Pass on my thanks to every child at Plymouth Grove that entered my Christmas card competition. This year your entries were incredible. I was completely blown away by all of their entries and I was overwhelmed by how creative they had been. All of your entries are worthy of being a winner.

I am really pleased to announce that we have a runner up in your school. Princess in year 6. I really loved the design on Princess' card!"

Well done Princess!



Upcoming Events



Dodgeball Tournament Years 5 and 6 Thursday 16th January Co-op Academy 3.00am-5.30pm

Poetry Performance Years 5 and 6 poetry performance Friday 17th January University of Manchester 8.30am-4.30pm (Children will be performing poetry at the inclusion conference)

United Utilities Workshop Year 2 Thursday 23rd January Classroom/Hall/Outdoors 9.00am-12.00pm (Children will be learning about water efficiency, daily water usage, safety, water/beach pollution and the water cycle)

Lego League Competition Year 6 Tuesday 28th January at the Manchester University 8.15am-3.45pm

Basketball Tournament Years 5 and 6 Wednesday 29th January Whalley Range High School 3.00am-6.00pm

Football Tournament Year 5 Tuesday 11th February Deans Trust 3.00pm-5.30pm

Urban Debatemate Years 5 and 6 League 1 Tuesday 11th February School Hall 3.30pm-5.00pm

Hockey Tournament Years 5 and 6 Thursday 13th February Trinity High School 3.30am-5.00pm

Trips

Staircase House Museum Year 2 Monday 2nd March (Consent forms must be brought in along with payment if not already done so)

High Adventure Residential Year 6 26th-27th March (*Consent forms must be brought in along with payment if not already done so*)

Reminders

Attendance

Let's aim for 100% attendance this year so remember, be in line at ten to nine! Children must be collected promptly at the end of the school day and after clubs.

Breakfast Club

Some parents have been dropping children off and leaving from the dining hall exit at the back. You must come to the office and pay first before you leave to prevent account arrears.

Payments

If you require a receipt for any payments this must be asked for at the time you make the payment to avoid any confusion later on.

Packed Lunches

Your child's packed lunch should consist of a healthy meal without any sugary snacks and drinks. Nuts of any type are not allowed.

PLEASE REMEMBER

Swimming

Please make sure your child brings their swimming kit to school in the morning on their swimming day. 4S go on Tuesdays and 4H go on Thursdays.

Appointments

Medical appointments must be booked for out of school hours where possible. Medical evidence must be provided at the office for your child's appointment. Please avoid taking your child out of school if the appointment is not for them.

PE Kits/Lunch bags

These must not be dropped off during the morning, please remind your child to bring these with them in the morning.

Trips

If your child is going on a trip please bring in your payment and consent slip as soon as possible.



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Drop In Session

RHOSEY will be holding a drop in session offering advice and support to parents and carers of children with a disability.

If you would like to attend see details below.

Friday 28th February 11am-2pm

Rodney House School Albert Grove Longsight M12 4WF

"Making Learning Irresistible"

