

# NEWSLETTER



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15th October 2018

## Message from the Head of School



Thank you to our staff for their hard work preparing for yesterday's Mass - the altar was testimony to the generosity of our families and the children's singing was a credit. Thank you to those who celebrated with us. It was a special moment for our schools.

Year 2 and 5 welcomed Greenbank Fire Service on Wednesday. The children learnt vital information about the Fire Service. Please ask your child what else they learnt.



## Liturgy in School

Please join us for whole school liturgy on Monday at 9.00 am.

The theme for our prayer and worship next week is:

**PUT JESUS FIRST**



Dear Jesus, I will try hard to do what you want me to do. Please help me to make the right choices. I know your reward will make me happy. Amen.

In Michael Morpurgo we wrote instructions and role played on "How to become a Gladiator."



## Lateness matters

Remember that the school day starts at **8.50am** and that the school is open from **8.30am** for early learning. Our Educational Welfare Officer is informed if your child is consistently late and a home visit will be conducted, plus for every minute late your child is missing vital learning.



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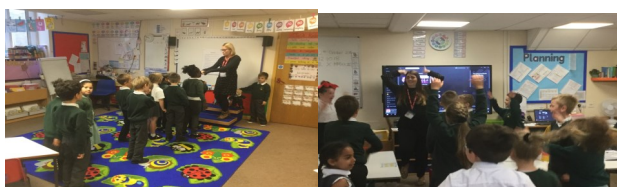
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Our children took part in No Pens Day on Friday. It was extremely challenging not to pick up a pen but the children showed us different methods of learning.



Here is a list of some Important dates confirmed for this year.

All information is available on our website calendar.

## Diary Dates

*Monday 15th until Friday 19th October-Swimming lessons for Yr4 children*

*Thursday 18th October-Tempest Photography, Individual and Family photos*

*Thursday 18th October-Whole School Mass, 10am*

*Friday 19th October-Friends of School Mufti (no uniform) Day, £1 donation*

*Monday 22nd-Friday 26th October-Half Term*

*Monday 29th October-Non Pupil Day*

*Thursday 1st November-Flu programme for foundation to year 5 children*

*Friday 2nd November-Non Pupil Day*

*Monday 5th November-Friends of School Cake Sale, 3:15pm*

*Tuesday 6th November-Healthy Smiles talk for Yr3 & 6*

*Friday 23rd November-Mufti (non uniform) Day in exchange for chocolate bars, packet of sweets or a plastic bottle of something (e.g. bubble bath or fizzy drink)*

*Tuesday 27th November-Donkey Roadshow for Key Stage 1*

*Thursday 6th December-Christmas lunch*

*Friday 7th December-Friends of School Christmas Fair*

*Thursday 13th December-Friends of School Disco, Key Stage 1 3:30-4:30pm and Key Stage 2 4:45-5:45pm*



<b>Julia Donaldson</b>	<b>91.60%</b>
<b>Roald Dahl</b>	<b>97.33%</b>
<b>Michael Morpurgo</b>	<b>92.22%</b>
<b>David Walliams</b>	<b>94.24%</b>

## Bronze Ambassadors



The Young Ambassador, Leadership Academy & School Games programmes are part of a national initiative designed to promote the Olympics/Paralympic values, physical

education, the school games & school competition and school sport.

Students who attend the conference are expected to be;

\* An ambassador & role model advocating PE & School Sport

\* Promote the positive values of sport (Olympic/ Paralympic Values & School Games Values)

\* Deliver a Level 1 Intra House School Games Competition

\* Set up & run a Change 4 life club to a targeted group of students

\* Help deliver break & lunch time activity

\* Chair, organise & run your schools School Organising Games Crew



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## EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY

### Bike Parade at Victoria

Join the Sustrans Bike It Plus team for a family themed Parade in Victoria Park this half term on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October, from 10am - 2pm.**

Bring your scooters and bicycles as we cycle/scoot around the traffic free park or little ones can walk. The Parade will run every 20-30 minutes. There will be Big loops or Little Loops. The ride will be blasting out some songs. Free crafts activities, bike flags and mask making. Limited learn to ride skills sessions.



### SOUTH WEST CELEBRATE WEEKEND

A joyful and faith-filled event for all the family!

13th/14th October

Notre Dame School, Looseleigh Lane, Plymouth PL6 5HN

*Main Speakers:* Maria Heath, Fr. Oscar Ardila, Charles Whitehead

Separate streams for children & young people. Lively worship, drama, a variety of workshops, family Mass

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Online booking now open (Prior booking essential) *More details:* [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org)

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