



Mount Pleasant Extra!

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We are back!

I would like to start with a thank you to everyone who attended the topic Launch Pad in classrooms across the school this morning; what a wonderful time we had.

The children have enjoyed the first week back and have been digging for bones, working in our school role play medical center, have been reading and writing and have been developing their mathematical skills. Our busy school will continue with more new learning next week and the first of our school educational visits. On Friday 15th September FS1-Y6 will attend the Battle of Britain Service. The children will travel to and from the event by mini bus and will be accompanied by the school staff. Parents are welcome to join us and we will be back in school for lunch time. Please make sure your children have a warm coat, hat and gloves that morning as it can be very cold in the hangar.

I am very disappointed to tell you that the planned visit by our Speech Therapist was cancelled as a result of the delay and then cancellation of the Sunday Air bridge flight. At this time I am unable to bring any news about when she might be able to make a visit as her diary is full between now and Christmas. Also included in the delay was our allocation of fruit and veg, MoD purchase this for your children under the 'School Fruit and Vegetable Scheme'. As with the Mess and family purchases from the bulk store, there has been no fresh fruit and vegetable available for us to source for this very generous scheme. We expect to have fruit available from Tuesday 12th September. We also provide milk free of charge at snack time in EYU and FS and at lunch time for all pupils.

A reminder that until 08:45 and from 15:15 children must not access school playground equipment and must be supervised by parents when on the play ground.

Finally, please consider purchasing a ticket for the raffle advertised at the end of this newsletter—all money goes to school funds. Tickets are available from the school office.

Thank you,
Gary Margerison

Don't forget...

If you have anything you would like to talk to me about please contact the school office who will see if I am available!



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Correction: Enrichment Children's University and Stay and Play

Enrichment and stay and play will start on Tuesday 19th September and there will be an after school selection of Magic Maths and Art. Choir will take place at lunch time on Wednesday from 20th September. The number of places in each activity is shown in the reply slip. If more children apply than the maximum places available—all places will be allocated by lottery.

Stay and Play is open to any child in EYU or FS1 and parents must accompany their children.

Afterschool activities will take place between 15:15 and 16:00 and we expect children to attend all four sessions. We also expect children to sign up for these themselves; in the last academic year we noticed some children attended but appeared to have not selected the activity for themselves and as a result did not always enjoy what they were doing. Teachers give this time for your children to take part and enrich their learning.

My child _____

Would like a place at the following clubs

Lunch Time Choir—**Wednesday** lunch time 12:30-13:00 (15 Places) _____

Maths Magic—**Tuesday** afternoon 15:15-16:00 (10 Places) _____

Art—**Tuesday** afternoon 15:15-16:00 (10 Places) _____

Signed: _____



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Uniform

I have reviewed the children's uniform this week and there are a number of things I would like to bring to your attention.

Firstly, thank you, to those who are wearing our smart new uniform. It really does look great on, presents a wonderful image of the school and creates a real sense of respect in our community from the children.

- **FS1—Y6 children must have jumper or cardigan from the new supplier by January 2018.**
- Logo T-Shirts make our uniform as smart as possible and wearing these would support that part of the ethos and values of the school.
- Fleece Jackets are not replacements for jumpers or cardigans but an optional item which is smart and practical for all children to wear outside on the school playground.
- The sun hat should be purchased for children in EYU, FS1 and FS2. Other children are welcome to wear this hat and in the summer months will provide sun protection.
- We have a PE uniform for children FS2—Y6 which is a school logo t-shirt and school hoodie.
- It is important that you order now for the full change over of uniform in January 2018 as items are individually prepared by 'Initially Yours' and then posted to Mount Pleasant.
- Logo jumpers and cardigans which are not from 'Initially Yours' and those not displaying the Mount Pleasant Logo are not part of our school uniform and children are not permitted to wear them - with effect January 2018.
- This represents no change to our uniform policy which also states children must have school logo book bag and for those in FS2-Y6, a school logo PE bag.

Should you have any comments about school uniform please make an appointment to come to see me. The school office will be happy to book this for you.



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2ND FALKLAND ISLANDS RAINBOWS/BROWNIES

A combined Rainbow and Brownie Unit has been approved via Girlguiding UK to be set up at MPC.

Your daughter/s won't need anything for her first few meetings to experience the fun and adventure of a being a Rainbow and Brownie. The girls will have the opportunity to get their hands dirty with arts and crafts, cooking, playing games, residential camps, parades and meeting the girls from 1st Falkland Islands based in Stanley.

When: Thursday 28 September

Where: Families Community Centre

Time : 1530-1645hrs

Please register your daughter/s at www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus or call 0044 800 169 5901

You should be able to register under 2nd Falkland Islands Rainbows / 2nd Falkland Islands Brownies - if you experience any difficulty please register under 1st Falklands and the District Commissioner, Cherie Clifford, will assist in the transfer. It is advised that you use your civilian address in order to register eg 18 Hamilton Rise, Mount Pleasant Complex, Falkland Islands rather than BFPO 655.

Subs will be £25 per term and will cover the Girlguiding annual membership subscription, snacks, activities and day-to-day running of the Unit.

A one-off sub of £40 must be paid by new Rainbows/Brownies for their first term. Rainbows will receive a Tabard (uniform) and Brownies will receive a Becoming a Brownie and Brownie Adventure Book.

Miss Schofield (Brown Owl) will advise wrt Brownie uniform.

Subs for Rainbows/Brownies who are joining from a previous UK or Overseas Unit will be £25 per term.

It is recognised that not everyone can give time on a regular basis, but any support that you or your family can offer is welcomed - every extra adult volunteer makes a huge difference.

For further information and to confirm your registration please contact Louise McCormack-Fisher, Ext 6300 or by email Louise.McCORMACK-FISHER-FLK100@mod.uk