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A very busy Half Term

We have had an amazing first half term at Mount Pleasant Primary School with visits out of school to see penguins, planes, services and more and we have had some fantastic visitors to school including MT for Road Safety and our fantastic Turban Day. Swimming and PE have continued and children in EYU, FS and KS1 have been cooking up a treat each week in their DT sessions.

Children have been using more and more of our outdoor playtime equipment, are enjoying looking after our animals as well as growing a whole range of plants in the school polytunnel. I have seen children build upon their skills across all areas of the curriculum and I have seen children develop their understanding of the school values which we can see all members of the school community living each day. Our fantastic school council is now up and running and their 'pupil voice' will be shaping everyday decisions in school.

We now have **54** children in school; this is the largest pupil number Mount Pleasant School has ever had! It is very important that once you know who your replacement is that you ask them to contact school. We are almost full on every morning for children in the fee paying 2-3 year old setting. If you have a child who will turn 2 in this academic year and you would like them to attend the fee paying setting please call into school to talk to us about your requirements. Children can only go on the waiting list for this setting once they are 2, they must also be resident at Mount Pleasant at the time of being placed on the waiting list.

We are looking forward to seeing parents in school on the afternoon of 1st November for our parent teacher evening—an appointment has been made for you and more information is included later in this newsletter.

I am pleased that the School Governance Committee is now formed and ready to work alongside school: the SGC will focus on the key issues of raising standards of achievement, establishing high expectations, and promoting effective teaching and learning.



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Open Evening

You have been allocated an appointment on 1st November. Please arrive in advance of your appointment time as all books will be available for you to look at. If your child has a special educational need you have also been allocated a second appointment with the school Special Needs Co-ordinator; this time will be used to talk about the additional need your child has and agree their support plans.

Child:
Appointment time:
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Child:
SEN appointment time with HT:



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Stay and Play and Enrichment

Stay and Play and enrichment will be back on 31st October. Your child has been allocated a new activity and letters have been sent home with this newsletter.

Events....

31st October—Enrichment session 1— New Pupil Choices

31st October —Stay and Play 15:15-16:00

1st November—Parents Open Evening 15:15-17:00

1st November—Choir 12:30-13:00

3rd November—BFSAI Forces Entertainment, Gull and Penguin 15:30

6th November—EYU (Nursery), FS1 and FS2 parents Profiles Morning 08:45-09:30

7th November—Enrichment session 2

7th November —Stay and Play 15:15-16:00

8th November-Choir 12:30-13:00

14th November-Enrichment session 3

14th November —Stay and Play 15:15-16:00

15th November-Choir 12:30-13:00

21st November—Enrichment session 4 FINAL SESSION

21st November — Stay and Play 15:15-16:00 FINAL SESSION

22nd November-Choir 12:30-13:00

7th December—Reports home and Open Classrooms 14:30-15:30

12th December — EYFS Christmas Production 10:00-11:00

13th December- KS1 and KS2 Christmas Production 10:00-11:00

14th December—Close for Christmas at 13:15

9th January—School Opens following the Christmas and New Year Holiday 08:45

Forces Entertainment

There will be a special families performance from Forces Entertainment for all children and families, in the Gull and Penguin, from 15:30 on Friday 3rd November. The show will last about an hour and will feature two singers. Parents must accompany their children at this event.



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BFSAI Open Day

The BFSAI Open Day is on 27th October there will be a school tombola stall and the school choir will be singing.

All children in the school choir will be performing on the main stage at 15:00. Parents of children in the choir—please bring them to the main stage area at 14:45. As it is half term they do not need to wear school uniform but we would advise a warm coat.

If your child is not in the choir please come at 15:00 to support them by watching their performance.

Jobs, jobs, jobs

We currently have vacancies across the school for Learning Support Assistants, if you are interested please call into school for more information.

- Year 5-6 Learning Support Assistant
- General Learning Support Assistants
- Lunch time Learning Support Assistants
- Foundation Stage One Support Assistant

Enrichment

The next 4 enrichment weeks will start on 31st October. Children who applied for a place have been allocated their activity, this is indicated in the space below.
Name of child:
Has been allocated:
Hover Rings Enrichment Activity on 4 Thursday afternoons starting 31st October between 15:15 and 16:00.
Art Activity on 4 Thursday afternoons starting 31st October between 15:15 and 16:00.