

# Newsletter 2nd May 2025

#### Together we shine!

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to a new term! I hope that you've all enjoyed your Easter break and are feeling refreshed and revitalised.

Thank you for attending and supporting your children at our Launchpad event, it is always great to see parents around school working together with us.

Dates for your diary this week:

8th May:

VE day where we hope to see our children dressed up in 1940's outfits, preparing and enjoying traditional post war food. Volunteers most welcome from 1:15pm to help with sandwich making and 2:15pm for parents to enjoy and celebrate the party with their child/ren.







#### Values stickers

It was fantastic to see children proudly walking around school patting their values sticker. I have seen 'achievement' and 'respect' stickers on uniforms and I'm sure that I will see many more in the future. Please encourage the children to share their stickers with you and celebrate their achievements.





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#### Headteacher's Award

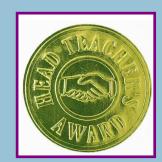
Congratulations to Richard who received this week's HT awards.

Richard has shown real improvement with his handwriting, it is incredibly neat, exceptionally well formed and he presents his super work beautifully. Please take a look at the 'riddle' Richard has written—can you guess what it is?

You can see me at day
time But cant Look at his
I am a not ballet am
a big Star
You carp see me dt day
time but you can't look
I am a hig Star but
you cant see me at
hight time
I am a hot ball
I Shine & onto the tarth
I *Keep people Warm



We are so proud of you Richard!





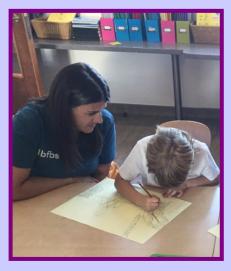
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#### Launchpad

Thank you as always, for supporting your child/ren at Launchpad events. It makes a difference by building confidence and self-esteem, impacting positively on attitudes to learning.

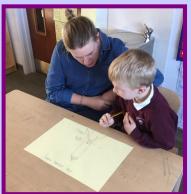














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#### Orca news

It may have only been a 4 day week but Orca class have been very busy with all sorts of things this week! We enjoyed our 'launchpad', delving into our new topic of the 'Maya' civilisation. What's even better is, we have some class experts! Two children recently visited some ancient Mayan ruins on holiday in Mexico and another used to live in Belize and had the opportunity to visit a few of them! So far, we have been very interested and engaged with finding out where and when this civilisation occurred. With our parents in to support, we made some excellent 'Mayan' style masks too, after having researched the importance of them.

April was also the 'Month of the Military Child'. We wrote some very special poems to mark the occasion... We started the week creating some poems together with our friends before finding out more about the structure of different poetry styles and features. Inspired by our friends and eager to get our own ideas down on paper, we set off to work! The resulting poems are wonderful and have since been entered into the 'Month of the Military Child' competition. Good luck everyone!





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# Memories of a military child

Moving on from place to place

Making new friends in different ways

Travelling on a plane up high

In darkness and day, in the sky

Like a dandelion seed being planted

Soon new memories will be granted

Marking my trail as I go

Learning new things while I grow

What comes next?

Well I will soon know...

I was invited into Orca class this morning to listen to the children read out their poems. I was so impressed with their confidence, their use of voice to engage the audience and the literary features, all of which added huge impact for the listener.

The poems incite beautiful and meaningful imagery and truly demonstrate the children's understanding of being a 'military child'



'Month of the Military Child'



#### Moments into Memories...

I must go on when the time arrives.

This moving around helps me to thrive.

When you look back in time to a little place.

It was always so full of joy and grace.

I wish once more we could embrace.

The flash back of my intelligent brain.

Brings back the good times even in the heavy rain

A happy tear coming out slowly from my eye

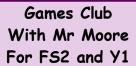
But never, ever

A sigh ...



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Enrichment clubs will start next week, please check for letters in bookbags and return your choices to Lauren in the school office.





Thursdays 15:15 to 16:00

Sessions:

1-08/05/25

2 - 15/05/25

3 - 22/05/25

4 - 29/05/25

5 - 05/06/25

Circuits Training With Mr Dean For Y1 to Y6



Tuesdays 15:15 to 16:15
Please collect children at the
Tumbledown Gym

Sessions:

1 - 06/05/25

2 - 13/05/25

3 - 20/05/25

4 - 27/05/25

5 - 03/06/25



School will be closed on Monday 5th May. We hope you enjoy the bank holiday.



If you would like to see how DCS schools around the world have been celebrating, take a look by visiting:

https://dcs.school/?p=2975



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### We Need Your Help!



Donations Needed - please deliver to

Mount Pleasant School

### Are you trying to pack to return to the UK?

Does your house need a sort out and you don't know where to put the excess?

Are you willing to gift us something for a stall?

Mount Pleasant School is asking for donations for a wide range of stalls for the Winter Fete.



#### We are looking for

- . toys
- books
- clothes
- unopened bottles (of any sort)
- empty glass jars
- tombola items





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#### Parent Volunteers

Our thanks this week to Mrs A, who came into school to read to Commerson class and did a great job, it really does make a difference and we appreciate you giving your time to help us.

If there are any parents who would also like to read in school get in touch via the school office.



Further dates will be added to the newsletter as events are arranged.

- Monday 5th May Bank Holiday, school closed.
- Thursday 8th May V.E. Day celebrations
- Monday 26th May Bank Holiday, school closed.
- Monday 09th June to Friday 13th June Half term, school closed.
- Saturday 21st June 11am to 3pm MPS winter fete to be held in school.
- Thursday 24th July Last day of term, school closes at 13:00 hrs.

Term time and holiday dates for the academic year 2024-25 can be found on the school website.

~ Wishing you all a fantastic weekend ~



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Term Dates School Year 2025 - 2026		
Autumn Term 2025		
First day of term	Monday 01 <sup>st</sup> September	
Half term	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October	
Last day of term	Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 13:00 - Finish	
Spring Term 2026		
First day of term	Wednesday 07 <sup>th</sup> January	
Half term	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> to Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	
Last day of term	Thursday 02 <sup>nd</sup> April 13:00 - Finish	
Summer Term 2026		
First day of term	Tuesday 21st April	
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May	
Half term	Monday 08 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	
Last day of term	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July 13:00 - Finish	