



Modbury Primary School Newsletter
Friday 6th October 2023
www.modburyprimaryschool.co.uk



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very proud of all the children and how well they participated in the Harvest Festival. It was enjoyed by all and so lovely to see so many families attend it too. Still to come this term is a Year 3 trip; Rotary Swimarathon; girls football tournament for Year 5 and 6; Junior Life skills for Year 6 and our International Arts Week culminating in a parent assembly! Please check our website calendar for all events!

Parent's Evening

This year Parent's evening will be held on Tuesday 17th and Wednesday 18th October. Please ensure you have your log in codes as you will need them to access the booking system. For Reception class parents your codes will be sent out asap. The booking system will go live on Friday 13th at 8pm. Please email the School Office if you need any support with using this system.

Tempest Photography

The children had wonderful smiles for their photographs. All Tempest photograph proofs should have been brought home now. Please follow the instructions on the sheet to order your photographs.



Harvest Festival

Thank you so much to everyone who kindly donated items for our Harvest Festival. They will be donated to the local food bank this weekend.

School Improvement

This week our teachers have been continuing to develop our Key Stage Two reading. We have refined our lessons to create more of a focus on vocabulary to align with our work in spelling.

School Meals

After October half term, there will be a new Autumn/Winter menu. Please do not pre-order any meals for after half term until after Monday 20th October. By 20th October, the meal selections will have been updated reflecting the change in menu options. The new menu will be visible on our School Website shortly for you to view at [Modbury Menu - Autumn/Winter Menu](#)

Year 6 Parents - Apply for Secondary School before 31st October

Just a reminder that the closing date for applications is the 31st October 2023. Please click on the below link to apply for a place for your child asap.

This is a link to the application web pages www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline

The easiest way for families to apply is online or you don't wish to or can't apply online, you can also complete a hard copy application form which can be obtained by calling 0345 155 1019.

The closing date for applications is 31st October 2023.

Modbury Community Apple Day Saturday October 14th from 10 am

New Town Centre Location for this year's Apple Day: Modbury Therapy Centre's Yard, Church Street (through the blue door to the left of the new Curator Café).

Watch, and help produce, freshly pressed apple juice from Modbury's own community orchards in a charming courtyard setting. You are welcome to donate your own apples for pressing. Apple Day is very much a community event and we encourage participation from all ages.

Year 6 Junior life skills event at Ivybridge Leisure Centre Mon 9th October 2023 12:30 - 3:15pm

The Year 6 children have been invited to participate in a Junior Life Skills session to be held at Ivybridge Leisure Centre. We have arranged return coach transport to collect the children from school and to return them back to school after the event. We are therefore kindly asking for a voluntary contribution of £5 per child to cover the cost of the return transport. Please go to ParentPay to confirm your child's place for this event. If we do not have enough contributions then future events may need to be cancelled due to funding constraints.

International Arts Week beginning 16.10.23 - workshops and celebration



On Monday 16th, the classes in FS-Y6 will have the opportunity to learn the Haka with Sam MacKenzie.

On Tuesday 17th, classes in Y1-Y6 will take part in an African drumming workshop.

On Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th, Y3 and Y5 will work with a mosaic artist to create an outdoor mural.

The PTFA are helping to fund the workshops. If you are able to donate £2.50 towards, the cost that would be very helpful and allow us to run more events like this in future, go to ParentPay to donate.

We appreciate that some year groups have more workshops than others, so please do donate what you feel is fair. Our idea is that artwork shops will continue yearly so all children will have the same opportunities in their school life.

During the week, each class will learn a traditional story from a different part of the world and create their own artistic interpretation to share. We would like to celebrate and share the week with you on Friday 20th October in the school hall. Key Stage One will be at 2:30 and Key Stage Two will be at 2:55.



We hope everyone has a wonderful week!

Attendance

We are no longer running our attendance cup. Instead, each child who achieves 100% attendance each week will receive a raffle ticket as we feel this is a fairer approach. Some children may have personal targets regarding attendance or punctuality to gain their raffle ticket. There will be a termly raffle to win a prize. We are looking for suggestions and donations for these prizes so please contact us if you are able to help. We have committed to the Devon Attendance Charter which has been added to the end of the newsletter for your information.

We have also added this to our website

Our current school attendance is: 97.3%

Thank you to all of our parents, carers and pupils that are working with us to improve attendance.

TT Rock Stars

In Year 3,4,5, and 6 the children use TT RockStars to practise their times tables. Year 6 have a weekly tournament with a class winner! Please encourage your children to use this app to help improve this essential skill. If you have any problems logging on, please let us know.

<https://ttrockstars.com/>

SEND- Dyslexia

Dyslexia is a common learning difficulty that mainly causes problems with reading, writing and spelling. It's a specific learning difficulty, which means it causes problems with certain abilities used for learning, such as reading and writing.

Unlike a learning disability, intelligence isn't affected. It's estimated up to 1 in every 10 people in the UK has some degree of dyslexia.

Dyslexia is a lifelong problem that can present challenges on a daily basis, but support is available to improve reading and writing skills and help those with the problem be successful at school and work.

What are the signs of dyslexia?

Signs of dyslexia usually become apparent when a child starts school and begins to focus more on learning how to read and write.

A person with dyslexia may:

- read and write very slowly
- confuse the order of letters in words
- be confused by letters that look similar and write letters the wrong way round (such as "b" and "d")
- have poor or inconsistent spelling
- understand information when told verbally, but have difficulty with information that's written down
- find it hard to carry out a sequence of directions
- struggle with planning and organisation

But people with dyslexia often have good skills in other areas, such as creative thinking and problem solving.

Read more about the symptoms of dyslexia.

If you think your child may have dyslexia, the first step is to speak to their teacher or their school's special educational needs co-ordinator (SENCO) about your concerns.

They may be able to offer additional support to help your child if necessary.

If your child continues to have problems despite extra support, you or the school may want to consider requesting an in-depth assessment from a specialist in assessing specific learning difficulties (SpLD), an educational psychologist or a speech and language therapist

Read more about how dyslexia is diagnosed.

Support for people with dyslexia

If your child has dyslexia, they'll probably need extra educational support from their school.

With appropriate support, there's usually no reason your child can't go to a mainstream school, although a small number of children may benefit from attending a specialist school.

Techniques and support that may help your child include:

- occasional 1-to-1 teaching or lessons in a small group with a specialist teacher
- phonics (a way of teaching children to identify and process the smaller sounds that make up words) combined with other techniques
- technology like computers and speech-recognition software that may make it easier for your child to read and write when they're a bit older

Schools and colleges must offer support to students with a specific learning difficulty like dyslexia, and have access to specialist staff who are trained in helping students with special education needs.

KS2 ART CLUB by Local Artist

Come and create 2D and 3D artworks using a range of materials and techniques, fire up your imagination and be creative with a club run by local artist Becky Crawford. **To book a place or make enquiries, please contact Becky direct on 07815148082 or email becky@myspacefruit.com"**becky@myspacefruit.com

Her previous after school art projects have included:

- Printing and painting card, cutting out shapes and making layered 3D insects
- Making sketch books and their own design of stamps, then printing a wonderful personalised cover with a repeat pattern on
- Looking at other artists work and making artworks which have been inspired by them (including the artists Chiaozza and the children made wonderful abstract papier mache cacti)
- Printmaking using gelli pads
- Printmaking using empty tetra packs
- Dice-Rolling Abstract art game to produce beautiful abstract artwork
- Rolled and stamped clay decorations
- Mini theatres complete with scenery and characters
- Stitching their own monster 'softie' dolls
- Mixed media funky decorated spectacles
- Clay animals
- Clay succulent pots
- Inventing a new mythological beast and creating it in collage



It will run on Thursday afternoons from 3:40 - 4:55. The club will start on 14th September it will run up to and including 12th October for the first half term in Autumn. The second half term will run from 2nd November until 14th December. The price is £8 and this cost includes all materials, any kiln firing costs etc. This will be payable via Payment Pay. Children are required to sign up for a full term. The club is open to Key Stage Two children and there will be 12 spaces available.

Children must bring their own protective clothing as we will be using paints, inks etc which won't necessarily wash out of clothing!



I am a local artist and more about me and my work can be found here:

"<http://www.myspacefruit.com/>" www.myspacefruit.com

"<http://www.instagram.com/spacefruitgirl>" www.instagram.com/spacefruitgirl

"<http://www.instagram.com/spacefruitartclub>" www.instagram.com/spacefruitartclub and I can be contacted for more information via 07815148082 or "mailto:becky@myspacefruit.com" becky@myspacefruit.com

- Articulated marionette made from cardboard and split pins

Classical Guitar/Piano Lessons available on Wednesday mornings in School

Monica Chapman has some space on a Wednesday morning if your child is interested in having Classical Guitar or Piano Lessons. Please can you contact Monica direct on 01548 856763 to discuss.

PTFA

RETURN of the afterschool Friday Snack Stall!



Don't forget your pennies on Friday, as the PTA Friday Snack Stall is back. There will be sweet treats and healthy options to cater for all.



Everything is £0.50p



Celebration Assembly

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| Reception | Rosie |
| Year 1 | Jaimee |
| Year 2 | Evie |

Reading Stars



So far this Year, Modbury School
have read:
2,365,968!



This week's top readers:

Year 3 Iris, Otis, Mia
Year 4 Freyja, Maisy, Bethany
Year 5 Marley, Angus, Sansa
Year 6 Evalyn, Poppy, Hailun

Louise Nicholls
Head of School

Mrs T Coulthard
Executive Head Teacher

Devon Education Attendance Charter



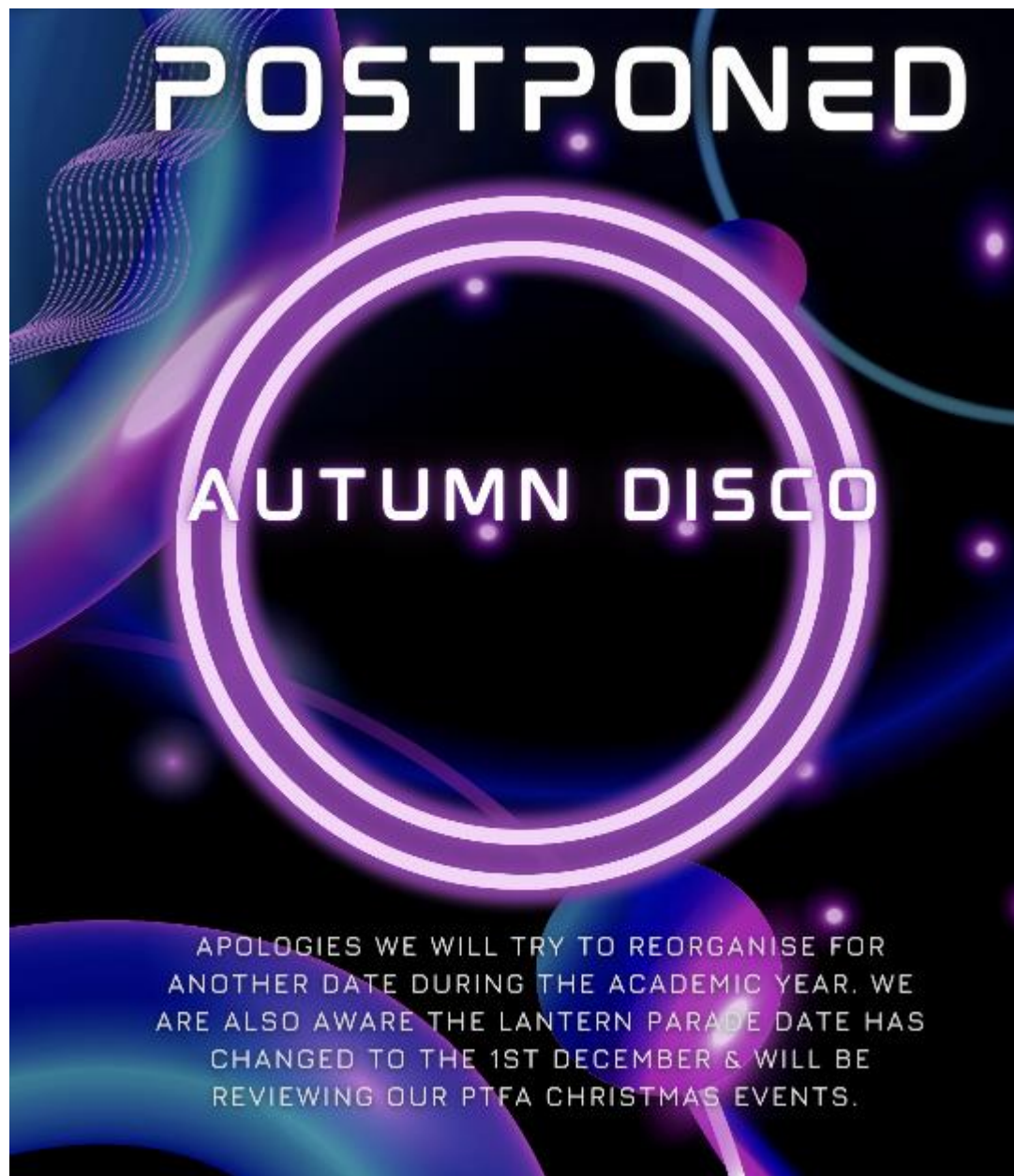
EVERY DAY IN AN EDUCATION SETTING MATTERS

Name of organisation: Modbury Primary School

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| | We accept that attendance is everyone's responsibility, and we recognise that children missing education can act as a vital warning sign to a range of safeguarding issues |
| | We are committed to achieving a target of 97% attendance in Devon |
| | We recognise that we will only achieve this target if children feel a sense of belonging in their setting and have strong, enduring relationships with the adults and peers around them |
| | We will work as part of a multi-agency team to remove barriers to attendance and agree that parents and carers are key partners in our multi-agency team |
| | We accept our responsibility to improve the culture in our organisation and the need to promote good attendance and reduce absence |
| | We recognise that barriers to attendance are often complex and can include a variety of factors within a family, environment, and the wider community. We are committed to breaking down these barriers |
| | We use data to ensure support is targeted and offered immediately to children and families who need it most |
| | We remain professionally curious if we see children out of school during school hours and we will always make enquiries to determine why children are not in school |
| | We value education and understand the link between attendance, attainment, and wider wellbeing |
| | We will book meetings and appointments for children outside of school hours wherever possible |
| | We agree to share effective practice by participating in regular networking opportunities to learn from our partner's attendance expertise and effective interventions, particularly where SEND and medical conditions are a barrier |
| | We accept that improving attendance requires a relentless focus and determination and we are ready for the challenge |
| | We want all our children to thrive in education settings every day |

Signed:

Date: 19.9.23



School's Out @ Modbury

School's Out @ Modbury: October Half Term Holiday Club - Now taking bookings.

Monday 23rd, Tuesday 24th, Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th

8.30am - 4.30pm

£27.50/day - payable in advance

Email: admin@modbury-preschool.org.uk

Please book immediately to avoid disappointment.

School's Out @ Modbury

October Half Term - Holiday Club

Monday 23rd October

Trips out to the local parks

Tuesday 24th October

Halloween Arts & Crafts with indoor and outdoor play.

Wednesday 25th October

Cooking Halloween Cookies and spooky spider cup cakes.

Thursday 26th October

Outdoor learning and pumpkin carving!

8.30am-4.30pm

£27.50/day - in advance

Book now via Family or

Email. admin@modbury-preschool.org.uk

www.modbury-preschool.org.uk/schools-out-at-modbury
Barracks Road, Modbury, PL21 0RB



MODBURY COMMUNITY APPLE DAY

Saturday 14th October

from 10:00am

at the Modbury Therapy Centre Yard



Watch and help produce freshly-pressed apple juice, from Modbury's own community orchards, in a charming courtyard setting.

You are welcome to donate your own apples for pressing.

If you have **clean screw-top glass bottles** to donate please email cwhybrow@btconnect.com to arrange collection in advance, as they have to be sterilised before pasteurisation.



After School Club

Monday's after school club run by Achieve4All go to this website to book:
<https://bookings.achieve4all.co.uk/event/178085>

MODBURY PRIMARY SCHOOL - AFTER SCHOOL CLUB - BASKETBALL AND MULTI-SPORT CLUB

📍 Barracks Road Modbury, Devon, PL21 0RB

📍 Modbury Primary School - Basketball and Multi-sport club

Book Now

📅 11/09/2023 to 16/10/2023 🧑 Age Range: 4-11

💰 Price: £18.75

🟢 Availability - Good

Achieve4All are delighted to be offering Basketball and Multi-skills Sports After School's Club and would love to see your child/children there.

The club will include a wide variety of activities to develop the children's sporting abilities. Our highly qualified coaches are skilled in many aspects of sport so can be sure to make this the best possible experience for anyone involved.

So don't miss out on a great opportunity to help your children, learn, develop and achieve their potential through sport. The club will run outside, in the event of poor weather the club will relocate to the sports hall and appropriate games played.

After School Club

Friday's after school club run by Plymouth Argyle Community Trust got to website to book:

<https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/argyle/https-officialsoccerschools-co-uk-argyle-pl-modbury-after-school-club-html-1.html>

See below for further information.

PL - Modbury After School Club - Term 1

[View full course details](#)

🕒 3:30pm - 4:30pm

📅 15/09/2023 - 20/10/2023

👤 Ages 4 - 11

📍 Modbury Primary School

£27.00_{pp}

Places

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Book Now

Modbury Primary After School Club term 1

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| Club | Argyle Community Trust |
| Type | After School |
| Day | Friday |
| Duration | 1 Day |
| Ability | All Abilities |
| Gender | Mixed |
| Ages | 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 |
| Venue | Modbury Primary School |
| Address | Barracks Road, Modbury Ivybridge Devon PL21 0RB |
| Contact Phone | 01752 522202 |
| Course Start Date | 15 Sep 2023 |
| Course End Date | 20 Oct 2023 |
| Time From | 3:30pm |
| Time To | 4:30pm |
| Location | Plymouth |

Community News

Please see posters below.

FREE FAMILY FOREST SESSIONS! WITH ARCHERY & OUTDOOR COOKING



Who? OPEN TO ALL,
PARENTS/CARERS WITH CHILDREN WITHIN THE SOUTH HAMS.

ACTIVITIES: FOREST SCHOOL, FIRE LIGHTING, BUILDING SHELTERS,
EXPLORING WOODLAND, ARCHERY, OUTDOOR COOKING.

FOOD: HELP PREPARE A MEAL ON THE FIRE
IN OUR DUTCH OVENS WITH OUR CHEF AND
FOREST SCHOOL LEADER * THIS WILL
BE A PLANT BASED MEAL, HOT CHOCOLATE,
BISCUIT, MARSHMALLOWS 'SMORES'.

WHAT TO BRING: MUG, BOWL,
SPOON, SMILE, WARM LAYERS.



Timings: 10:30am to 1:30pm

OCTOBER

SUN 15th / SAT 21st

Dates: 5 Sessions

NOVEMBER

SAT 4th / SAT 11th / SAT 18th

(Will factor in 2 min silence 11th NOV)

Book ONLINE AT
www.forestandbeach.co.uk

HEALTHY KIDS, HEALTHY MINDS



WE NEED YOUR HELP TO PROTECT COASTGUARD'S BEACH & THE ERME ESTUARY.



WE'RE A GROUP OF LOCAL BEACH GOERS WHO ARE APPLYING TO DEFRA TO HAVE COASTGUARDS DESIGNATED AS AN OFFICIAL BATHING WATER SITE.

IF OUR APPLICATION IS SUCCESSFUL THERE'LL BE MORE MONITORING AT COASTGUARDS, WHICH COULD HELP PROTECT WATER QUALITY HERE ALL YEAR ROUND.

TO SUPPORT OUR APPLICATION WE NEED PEOPLE TO FILL IN A SHORT 2 MINUTE SURVEY

SO PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE & COMPLETE THE SURVEY AND HELP US PROTECT THIS BEAUTIFUL PLACE!

P.S - PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR FRIENDS!
ERMERIVER.ORG

COMPLETE THE SURVEY HERE -->



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



To complete the survey you can also:-

1. Go to www.ermesriver.org and scroll down till you reach the questionnaire
2. If you know people who do not have internet access, but who would also like to help, please tell them that there are paper questionnaires at the Post Office in Modbury and the Library in Ivybridge.

Get Sportaneous

Sat 30th Sept

at Ivybridge Leisure Centre

A great BIG event day with something fun for all the family!



Bouncy castle and Inflatable assault course

FREE taster sessions

Save a life - community first aid

Prizes to WIN!

Kids swim FREE

Fitness challenges

Soft play

Chill café

and much more!

Take part in a challenge and you could

WIN a €500 holiday voucher!*

Swim School

Learning to swim with confidence

Come & meet Ollie the Octopus!



Enrol on the day & pay **NO ACTIVATION FEE!**



Plus...

FAB NEW ...in the Studio,
PROGRAMME Gym & Pool!

REMEMBER! Great membership offers available on the day...

Ivybridge Leisure Centre Leonards Road, Ivybridge, PL21 0SL

ivybridgeleisurecentre.com

*T&Cs apply. Please see website for details.

