



Dear Parents and Carers,

Monday 13th November is the start of Anti Bullying week. On Monday, we would like the children to come in odd socks to celebrate this event!



Please ensure you send back to school the consent form which has been sent out for Photo, Video & Audio consent. If you haven't received it, please contact the School Office. Thank you for your support.

Reception Open Days for new September 2024 Intake

We will be having two open mornings for new parents to come and look around School. The dates are Tuesday 14th November from 11am till 12pm and also Tuesday 21st November from 9:30am till 10:30am.

Modbury Primary School

Is your child due to start school in September 2024?

We would like to invite you to a school tour in preparation for your application to primary school.

We are holding tours and talks on:
Tuesday 14th November at 11-12am
or
Tuesday 21st at 9.30 am – 10.30am

Please email the school on modbury@southhamsfederation.org.uk to book your place

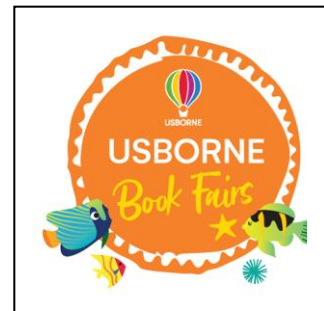
South Hams Federation Cross Country

Some pupils in Years 3 - 6 competed in an inter-schools cross-country race at Malborough Playing Fields on Wednesday 8th November. All pupils did amazingly well against their peers- with the Year 5/6 boys securing 1st and 2nd place, our Year 3/4 boys securing 2nd place (after a very close finish), and both 3/4 and 5/6 girls secured 4th place in their respective races. A big thank you goes out to all the parents for taking the children yesterday, and a huge well done to all those who took part - you did yourselves proud. We are still waiting for confirmation as to where we placed against other schools - and will keep you updated.

USBORNE Book Fair - Thursday 30th November 2023 3:30pm Hall

To promote reading for pleasure and to encourage our pupils to read more broadly, we are having a school book fair on Thursday 30th November 2023.

The book fair is being organised in conjunction with our local Usborne Partner, Luna's Library, and every book purchased will go towards brand new FREE books for our school.



Usborne will also donate up to 60% of the total book fair sales value raised in FREE BOOKS to the school. So, for every £600 of books purchased, we will get £360 in FREE Usborne books for our school!

Each class will be visiting the book fair during the school day to browse the books on offer and write their wish lists. Books can then be purchased on the day of the book fair after school and paid for by cash/card, or if you are in a hurry there will be an express checkout available, simply leave your mobile number and wish list and a payment link can be sent over.

We look forward to having lots more books for your child to read, share and enjoy. For more information and for tailored book recommendations for your child, **please contact: Charlotte Titterton - 07967631509 or @lunaslibrary123**

Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal



A big thank you for all your kind generosity for this appeal. The children enjoyed purchasing the items at break and the last items were sold yesterday!! The donations have now been collected from School. There will be a service held at the church and children from school will be laying a wreath.

Parent forum

Every half term, our parent forum meets with representatives from school to discuss parental views. These meetings are very useful to school and have resulted in lots of positive changes.

We are currently recruiting more members for our parent forum. If you would like to be considered, please contact the school office to register your interest. Meetings are generally held in school time but are flexible to meet the needs of the parent forum.

Children in Need 2023



BBC Children in Need is back this year on Friday 17th November 2023. The Children in Need donations page has now been published for our school - Please click on the below link to donate what you can and let's see how much we can raise as a School. Please come dressed in your spots, ready to raise some money! <https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=12143>

SANTA FUN RUN

There will be a sponsored Santa Fun Run in aid of the charity we support, the Shekinah Mission. Please click on the link below for more information.

<https://plymouthsantafunrun.co.uk/>

Swimarathon October 2023

We are missing a few sponsorship forms and money. Please send these into School ASAP, thank you for your support.

Attendance Poster Competition

FEDERATION ATTENDANCE POSTER COMPETITION!



Help us to improve attendance and spread the word about why it is important to be in school!

Win a goody bag including:
A book, a fidget toy and a surprise!



Competition closes 17/11
Submit entries to your school office by 17/11
Winners (1 per year group across the federation) will be announced during an online federation assembly on 24/11/23
Posters will be used across the federation and on websites to promote attendance.
Please have a look at your school newsletter for more information

TT Rock Stars

If you would like more information about TTRockstars, please click on the link below.

trockstars.com/parents/

A new competition has been set up for this half term ending on the 14th December.

<https://trockstars.com/>



PTA News

You are invited to the

PTA

Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Thursday 16th November

7.30pm

Modbury Inn

Please come and see what it is all about. There is no requirement to volunteer or commit, just a chance to hear about what the PTA does for the school and offer your ideas. We welcome all fundraising ideas and ideas about how the PTA should spend the money raised. We will also be discussing the Christmas Fair and plans and ideas for 2024.

PTA Friday Snack Stall

The PTA Friday snack stall is continuing to raise money for the school every week. Thankyou to all those who give time and goodies and for those who buy a snack. We really appreciate it.

Last week Year 4 smashed it by baking and bringing a massive selection of snacks, raising well over £50. Thanks Year 4!

This week Year 3 are making, baking and bringing all the goodies, please continue to support this great fundraising activity.

PTA dates for your diary:

- Monday 20th Nov: Make your own 'Modbury lights' lantern kit, one available for every child to take home
- Friday 24th Nov: Mufti for Christmas fair chocolate tombola
- Friday 1st Dec: Modbury lantern parade
- Friday 8th Dec: Christmas fair in the school hall 3-4pm
- Thurs 14th Dec: Christmas disco



Upcoming events

13th November Year 1 & 2 football details on Parent Pay

13th November - Odd socks day/ Anti bullying week

14th November Forest School Reception and Year 2

16th November Year 3 & 4 Tag Rugby SHF on parent pay

17th November Children in Need MUFTI day

21st November Forest School Reception and Year 2

23rd November MUFTI day - Christmas Fair donations

28th November Year 1 & 2 football details - details on ParentPay

28th November Forest School Reception and Year 2

30th November Year 5 & 6 Tag Rugby SHF event TBC

30th November Book Fair

1st Dec Modbury Lantern Parade

7th December Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day / Christmas lunch

8th December - PTFA Christmas fair

12th December 2-3pm Reception and KS1 Nativity

13th December 3-4pm Reception and KS1 Nativity

14th December School Disco - after school - Times to be confirmed by PTFA

15th December Last Day - Carol concert KS2 (School Hall) 9.30am - 10.30am

For further events please see our [School Calendar](#) which has details of events through to the end of the year including sports day etc.

Online Safety

As the nights draw in, children may be spending more time on devices. Please see below for advice on appropriate ages for apps.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

"Inappropriate" means different things to different people. What's acceptable for one age group, for example, may be unsuitable for a slightly younger audience. Online, young people can chance upon inappropriate content in various ways – from pop-up ads to TikTok videos. The increasingly young age at which children become active in the digital world heightens the risk of them innocently running into something that they find upsetting or frightening. Trusted adults need to be able to help children be aware of what to do if they're exposed to age-inappropriate content.

WHERE IS IT FOUND?

SOCIAL MEDIA

Age-inappropriate content is easily accessible through many social media platforms. TikTok, for instance, is hugely popular with young people but is arguably best known for clips featuring sexualised dancing or profanity. Some social media users also express hate speech or promote eating disorders and self-harm, which could cause lasting damage to a child's emotional and mental health.

GAMING

Gaming is an enjoyable source of entertainment, but many popular titles can expose children to inappropriate material such as violence, horror, gambling or sexually explicit content. Playing games unsuitable for their age risks normalising to children what they are seeing. Some games also include in-game chat, where other (usually older) online players often use language that you probably wouldn't want your child to hear or repeat.

STREAMING

The range of video streaming services available online means that users can find almost anything they want to watch on demand. Children are therefore at risk of viewing TV shows and movies which contain nudity, drug and alcohol abuse, explicit language and extreme violence. Unfortunately, these streaming platforms can't always determine that it's not an adult who's watching.

ADVERTS

Online adverts frequently include age-inappropriate content: usually gambling and nudity or partial nudity, although adverts for alcohol or e-cigarettes are also common. Some search engines also feature adverts that are responsive to your search history; so if you've recently looked up a new horror movie, shopped for lingerie or ordered alcohol online, then the ads appearing on screen could reflect this the next time your child borrows your device.

18 Advice for Parents & Carers

TALK IT THROUGH

Embarrassment or fear of getting into trouble can make it difficult for children to talk openly about age-inappropriate content they've watched. Remind your child they can always come to you if they're troubled by something they've seen online, without worrying about consequences. Before offering advice, discuss what they saw, how they felt and how they came to find the content in question.

CONNECT, DON'T CORRECT

If your child's been particularly distressed by exposure to content that wasn't suitable for their age, it's important to offer guidance to prevent them from repeating the same mistake – but it's equally vital to help them deal with the emotions that the situation has raised. You could tell them about any similar experiences you might have had at their age, and how you dealt with it.

BLOCK, REPORT, CONTROL

After discussing the problem, you and your child can take action together. This could include blocking any inappropriate sites and reporting any content which violates a platform's rules. To further safeguard your child online, set up parental controls on internet-enabled devices that they use. This will significantly reduce the chances of your child being exposed to age-inappropriate content in future.

GET SPECIALIST HELP

Age-inappropriate content can potentially have a negative impact on a child's mental health, which is sometimes displayed through changes in their behaviour. If the problem becomes more severe, you might consider reaching out to a mental health professional or an expert in this field who can provide you and your child with the proper support.

STAY CALM

Even though it is obviously difficult to stay rational in a situation where your child has been put at risk, it's essential to think before you react. Your child may well have hesitated to open up to you about watching inappropriate content for fear of the consequences, so being calm and supportive will reinforce the notion that it would be easy to talk to you about similar issues in the future.

Meet Our Expert

Cayley Jorgensen is a Registered Counsellor with The Health Professions Council of South Africa, and she runs a private practice offering counselling to children, teenagers and families. Her main focus is creating awareness and educating the community on the mental health pressures of today's world, as well as resources and techniques to understand and cope better.

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#WakeUpWednesday

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SEND

School anxiety

For children with SEND, anxiety or sensory overload are common factors affecting behaviour and attendance, which are not always easy to spot. If you think there may be underlying needs, discuss and explore with school how these might be assessed and supported.

It can be useful to think about who you would like to meet with in school. School staff have different roles and you might want to change who you meet with as your child's needs emerge or change. For example, to start with you may have spoken with their class teacher and you may now find you want to talk to the SENCO to discuss next steps with assessing and supporting your child's needs.

Working with school

Ask your child what they are finding difficult and what they would like to change - this can help identify specific triggers and worries.

Here are some ideas for support strategies for your child which you could ask about:

- meet and greet by a trusted member of staff at the start (sometimes during or at the end) of the day
- school staff regularly checking with them that they are okay
- visual timetable - clear information about what happens now and next
- help to understand and manage their feelings and emotions
- 'time-out' card for when feeling overwhelmed in lessons
- lesson breaks
- 1:1 or small group interventions, support programmes, anxiety or friendship groups

TT Rockstars

Each week we will celebrate a different aspect of TTRockstars

This week we are celebrating BEST IMPROVEMENT IN

CORRECT ANSWERS

Year 2 Woody, Connie, Macy

Year 3 Jack, Seren, Freya

Year 4 Lewis, Austin, Jack

Year 5 Felix, Maisy, Arina

Year 6 Olivia, Fern, Deanna



Numbots

Each week we will celebrate a different aspect of Numbots

This week we are celebrating

BEST ACCURACY

Year 1 William, Grace, Freddie

Year 2 Theo, Woody, Buster

Year 3 Jack, Harry, Rose



Reading Stars

This week's top readers:

Year 2 Theo, Evie, Buster

Year 3 Felix, Iris, Lilah

Year 4 Freyja, Teddy, Maisy

Year 5 Marley, Minnie, Luke

Year 6 Hailun, Evalyn, Poppy



Celebration Assembly

Reception	Maddox
Year 1	Eric
Year 2	Nia

Year 3	Rose
Year 4	Frank
Year 5	Ted Y
Year 6	Jack



Louise Nicholls
Head of School



Mrs T Coulthard
Executive Head Teacher



Achieve4All School Club on a Monday After School

The after-school club for Autumn Term (2nd Half) is on the booking system and ready for bookings.

The club can be booked by going to <https://achieve4all.co.uk/> you will then need to click on 'Book Now', log in to your account or if you have not booked before you will need to complete a short registration.

The club will be a Basketball and Multi-Sports Club for KS1 and KS2

The club will run from Monday 30th October - Cost £26.25

Special discount of 2 sessions (£7.50) off the price for those that book by end of day Sunday 29th October - the code to use at the checkout is '750'.

Plymouth Argyle Club now changed from Friday to Wednesday After School

This club is now on a Wednesday run by Plymouth Argyle Community Trust, please go to their website to book:

<https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/argyle/https-officialsoccerschools-co-uk-argyle-pl-modbury-after-school-club-html-2.html>

Plymouth Argyle Club

Netball classes for 5 -11 year olds however these will only be running at Plympton Academy on Friday's between 5pm-6pm and this will be running on the following dates:

3rd November - 15th December (7 weeks, costing £35 or there is an option to pay £5 per week online too).

To book go to their website:

<https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/argyle/pl1-netball-aged-5-11-plympton-academy-primary-school-5pm-6pm-term-2.html>

We do have limited spaces and these will be offered on a first come first serve basis, we hope to see you there!