



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to wish all our Parents/Carers a Happy New Year and although it's been a short week for the children they have settled wonderfully back into School. We have lots of exciting activities planned for this term. Class Letters will be sent out next week detailing class activities. We are delighted to let you know that Mrs Lynda West is also returning to Modbury School part-time from her maternity leave.

**Modbury May Fair Logo Design**

The Modbury May Fair Committee have asked if the children could complete a design for the Mayfair logo next year as they would love the children to be involved as much as possible with the event. The theme is Modbury hosts the Paris Olympics. The design needs to be on white A4 (landscape or portrait) and any pens/pencils/crayons can be used.

Please could any children who would like to take part return their design to school by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January so that we can pass on to the Committee. Good Luck everyone!

**Modbury Road Closure**

As you are probably aware the main road in Modbury will be closed due to roadworks starting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> January. We have been in contact with South West Water since before the holidays and they have just confirmed that they will be installing a temporary set of pelican lights to provide a safe crossing from the housing estate. We are aware that this means lots of traffic will be parking in the new housing estate. Please park carefully and be mindful of the residents. If you are approaching from Back Street, please either cross over into the new estate at the top of Back Street and use the safe designated walking route around to the temporary crossing. Alternatively, we will be opening the new main entrance from 8.55 for **5 minutes only**.

**School Clubs starting this month - these are available on ParentPay**

| Name of Club                      | Start Date                                   | Year Group     |
|-----------------------------------|--|----------------|
| Story Club - Mrs Ratcliffe        | Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 3:30 - 4:15pm | Key Stage 1    |
| Drama Club - Miss Nicholls        | Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December lunchtime    | Years 1, 2 & 3 |
| Y6 SATS Booster Club - Miss Pears | Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January 3:30 - 4:15pm | Year 6         |
| Gardening Club - Mrs Bruce        | Friday 12 the January lunchtime              | Key Stage 2    |
| Cross Country Club - Miss Randall | Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> January lunchtime  | Key Stage 2    |

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| Times Table Rock Stars - Miss George | Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> January lunchtime | Years 4 & 5 |
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### Upcoming events

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

### Twitter

Please be aware that the South Hams Federation now has a Twitter account. All schools within the Federation will be adding information on there over the coming months so please follow us if you have a Twitter account. Thank you.

## **Governor vacancies**

Governors are key to running schools that have good outcomes for **all** pupils. They help us set strategic direction, hold our leadership to account and check our schools are doing well.

If you can attend **six** meetings a **year** and spend some time getting to know our schools then we would love to hear from you.

You **don't** need to have any experience of the education system or specialist qualifications to be a governor but we are ideally looking for a person who has human resources or people management experience and would be willing to visit **Malbourough with South Huish Primary School** at least once or twice per term, and keep up good communication with the head of school.

*We offer plentiful training and personal development opportunities.*

If you are interested in becoming a governor or are a parent or carer who would like to know what governors do and why they are so important to our schools please contact [clerk@southhamsfederation.org.uk](mailto:clerk@southhamsfederation.org.uk)

## TT Rockstars

Each week we will celebrate a different aspect of TTRockstars  
Next week we will be celebrating BEST IMPROVEMENT IN ACCURACY



## Numbots

Each week we will celebrate a different aspect of Numbots

Next week we will be celebrating  
number bonds to ten - biggest increase



## Reading Stars

This year's top readers so far...

Year 2 Theo, Evie, Ollie

Year 3 Felix, Iris, Otis

Year 4 Freyja, Isabelle, Jago

Year 5 Angus, Maisy, Marley

Year 6 Hailun, Poppy, Evalyn





### Celebration Assembly

This week we have been focussing on our manners. Our stars have all been chosen for their

**wonderful manners!**

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| Reception | Toby BP |
| Year 1    | Maddie  |
| Year 2    | Max     |
| Year 3    | Nathan  |
| Year 4    | Freyja  |
| Year 5    | Amy     |
| Year 6    | Bella   |

Louise Nicholls  
Head of School

Mrs T Coulthard  
Executive Head Teacher

## Externally Provided Clubs Information & Community News

### Plymouth Argyle Club

Will continue in the new year - Please sign up directly with them through their website.

### Kidslingo

Great news! Kidslingo is back next year. Please see the link below to book:

<https://www.kidslingo.co.uk/area/spanish-classes-plymouth-2/>

Tuesday 12:00 is KS1, Tuesday 12:30 is EYFS.

### Music Mondays

Happy New Year and welcome to 2024 and the opportunity to continue your musical journey!

**Choir and music lessons will start on Monday 8th January.**

Unfortunately, I am away the following Monday (15th Jan) and the following week all music clubs will be on Tuesday 23rd Jan.

As it is a new year, please could I request a fresh start to organising your child for their music lessons. There are many Mondays when children either don't have their instrument or music which disrupts lessons as we run around trying to find spares and extra copies.

**Please could I ask that every week, all children come prepared with their instrument and their music in a folder.**

**Music Folders:**

Children need an A4 folder of some form. Ideally an old A4 ring binder with some plastic pockets works best. See what you can find in a cupboard to reuse? Alternatively a book folder with plastic sleeves to slide music in and out. At the very least a cardboard A4 document wallet. Folding up music and stuffing it in their music case or bag, results in music getting lost or too crumpled to balance on a stand.

Fees for this term's music remain at the same fantastic price of £2 per lesson £20 per term. Please make payment promptly as usual by Monday 8th January:

Sarah Gill  
24677159  
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**TOY FIX - A REPAIR CAFE SPECIAL!**

Saturday, 13 January 2024

10:00 - 14:00

Makers Mews: The Mews, Harford Road, Ivybridge PL21 0AS  
(The white barn opposite Harford Rd car park)

Thanks to some funding from Ivybridge's County Councillor Roger Croad, we are able to add an extra event to our Repair Cafe calendar, specifically for toys!

Should the worst thing happen + toys get broken this holiday, we've got you. Calm the tears with the solution of joining us at our Toy Fixing Repair Cafe in January.

The Repair Cafe generally runs every last Saturday of the month. We get together once a month, bringing together skilled volunteers, tea, cake + you guys with your broken thingamabobs.

Our aim is to save salvageable items headed for landfill, whilst sharing + learning skills, and meeting new people in our community. As well as the Toy Fix, our regular Repair Cafe runs Saturday 27th January 10-12 at Makers Mews.

Link to website info:

<https://www.makersmews.com/listings/toy-fix>

## ART CLUB

Come and create 2d and 3d artworks using a range of materials and techniques, fire up your imagination and be creative.

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
- collograph printing
- 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

The cost includes all materials, though if the children are keen to do a clay project there will be a small additional charge for the extra costs involved. 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: [www.myspacefruit.com](http://www.myspacefruit.com)  
[www.etsy.com/shop/spacefruit](http://www.etsy.com/shop/spacefruit) [www.instagram.com/spacefruitgirl](http://www.instagram.com/spacefruitgirl)  
[www.instagram.com/spacefruitartclub](http://www.instagram.com/spacefruitartclub) , [www.instagram.com/spacefruitdoodle](http://www.instagram.com/spacefruitdoodle) and I can be contacted for more information via 07815148082 or [becky@myspacefruit.com](mailto:becky@myspacefruit.com)



To book go to this link

<https://www.myspacefruit.com/product/modbury-school-art-club-thursday-afternoons-spring-term-2024/>



## Kidslingo

Spanish club is back, and we would love to teach more children?

Tuesday 12:00-12:30 Years 1 and 2

Tuesday 12:30-13:00 EYFS

Classes are £5.50 and are booked and paid for on the Kidslingo website ([www.kidslingo.co.uk](http://www.kidslingo.co.uk)) and entering your postcode to search.

## Saturday morning Turn Up and Plays

The clue is in the name; these sessions are provided to allow the children to turn up and meet new friends but also experience fun football activities and matches whilst also improving on their skills. If they are new to football or just want to play some extra football on the weekend, this is the perfect opportunity to get some more practice in, through our engaging, inclusive, and fun activities.



**ARGYLE COMMUNITY TRUST**  
**SATURDAY**  
**TURN UP & PLAY**  
**£5.50 PER SESSION**  
**EVERY SATURDAY**

 **Manadon Sports Hub**  
9am - 10am

**Harpers Football Centre**   
10am - 11am

 **Mini Kickers**  
(Ages 18 Months - 4 Years)

**Turn Up and Play**   
(Ages 5-13)

 **lewis.jenkins@pafc.co.uk**

**VISITS FROM MINI PILGRIM PETE**

<https://officialsoccerschools.co.uk/argyle/courses.html>

The poster features a central image of a young boy in a green and black football kit, smiling. The background is dark green with white and orange geometric shapes, including a large soccer ball graphic. Text is in white, orange, and yellow. Icons include a location pin, a baby, and two children.



## Lottery Funded Family Days, Winter 2024

Wild Embers are supporting families with SEND children 6-11 yrs with funded weekend activities

Family Day: Join us at our beautiful site at Blackberry Barn this 2024 for one of our winter family days. The day will include bush crafts, exploring nature and outdoor cooking with lunch around the fire.

Dates: January 20<sup>th</sup>, January 21<sup>st</sup>, February 10<sup>th</sup>, February 11<sup>th</sup>

Wild Embers is a community orientated and highly impactful provider that has been running since 2017. We are members of the alternative providers network, the parent and carer forum Devon, and have established connections with a large number of Academies. We run a successful Ofsted registered forest school, community gatherings/feasts, father & child days, with a range of specialist support offerings for children and families with SEND.



Cost: Donations of £5 and upwards will be gratefully received



## ADDRESS, DIRECTIONS & BOOKING

To book a family day: email [admin@wildembers.org](mailto:admin@wildembers.org)

Cost: Donation only (minimum donation of £5 per family)

Address: Blackberry Barn, Ritson, Halwell, TQ9 7JG

Satnav Instructions:

Follow up until Totnes cross petrol station no further.

Then follow the road around to Kingsbridge (away from Totnes), you will see a sign that says Kingsbridge 6 miles, please take the left hand turn just behind the sign, follow the lane into the old farmyard, now beautiful barn conversions.

Take a slight right, drive in-between new barn conversion and an agricultural barn. The driveway leading to the parking area is directly in front of you between the house and fence. Head down the driveway where you can park on the ménage to your left.

What3words:

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If you have trouble finding us please do contact either Mel or Richard.

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