



Mary Dean's CE Primary School

Newsletter

Friday 17th September 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

Another week rushes to a close... and what a busy one it has been.

Children in Key Stage Two learned about democracy this week. They voted for candidates standing as Captains for their House Teams. Congratulations to all those who were brave enough to make speeches in front of their peers and special congratulations to those who were elected.

	RUBY	SAPPHIRE	MOONSTONE	EMERALD
CAPTAIN	Haydn	Katie	Jacob	Bella
DEPUTY	Lola	Maizie	Izzy	Izaak
SPORTS	Kuba	Olly	Annie	Alfie
DEPUTY	Callum	Sophie	Finn	Austin

Harvest

We will be celebrating Harvest next Friday, **24th September** with an assembly from Year 6. We will be donating our contributions to the local food bank. We are all well aware that food banks are being used more than ever right now so any contributions you can make will be most gratefully received.

The list below shows the most urgently needed items locally.

tinned – meat, fish, vegetables, potatoes, tomatoes, fruit, custard or rice pudding,

jars of sauce, pasta, rice,

tea bags, coffee, hot chocolate, long life juice cartons, squash, UHT milk,

biscuits, chocolate, sweets, crisps, crackers or toiletries

For full details about our Harvest assembly and the coffee morning, please click [here](#)

Donations can be brought into school next week and should go straight to classrooms. Thank you.



Also, on Friday 24th, Year 6 will be supporting the MacMillan cancer charity by holding a coffee morning.

We hope to be making cakes available to children from all year groups, so if there are bakers out there who are willing to send in some donations, we will be most grateful. **Please ensure all cakes and bakes are nut free.** Thank you.

Governors

We say a sad 'farewell' to Becky Hemsell this term. Becky has been a long-time supporter of our school and has been a parent governor, vice-chair and Chair of our Board. Her contribution to our school cannot be underestimated and we all wish her well as she steps away from us.

The Board of Governors has some vacancies and will be seeking to recruit new Governors this term. Experience is not necessary, just a desire to be involved in the strategic life of the school. Feel free to approach existing Governors - Mike Forster and Andy Mann are often in the playground, or contact the Clerk to Governors, Karen Williams on

karenwilliams@marydeans.plymouth.sch.uk for more information.

Secondary School Applications

Year 6 parents are reminded that applications for secondary schools close on 31st October. Pupils are entitled to make scheduled visits to schools without it affecting their attendance.

<https://www.plymouth.gov.uk/schoolseducationchildcareskillsandemployability/schooladmissions/applyschoolplace/applysecondaryyear6year7schoolplace>

Clubs

I am delighted to see so many children signing up for clubs after school. Plymouth Argyle have worked with us for a long time and many children have thoroughly enjoyed the work they do with us.

We are joined this term by Kixx – they are holding a fun football club session for Reception children each Monday. If you would like further details, please contact the school office.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs T Jones. Head Teacher

Sports (and other) Stars this week



A school family, learning for life in all its fullness

