



MOUNT PLEASANT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher's Newsletter — Mount Pleasant Primary School, Dudley

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What a stunning September Start!

I am absolutely thrilled with the successful start to our new year! Our children have arrived back with smiles on their faces, looking smart and ready to learn. Thank you for supporting them to come back with such great attitudes. Also, welcome to our brand new families in Nursery and Reception - we look forward to working together with you on your child's school journey. Last Wednesday our Governors spent a whole day in school with us and toured the school twice to look at how teaching and learning is adapted so that all children can learn well. They also looked at relationships and how we ensure that the children feel like they belong in our school community. They were so impressed and could not speak highly enough about what they saw. Well done to everyone - keep it up!

Attendance — Your Child's Future Starts Here

Every day at school counts! We will always support you to make sure that they are coming in every day as we want them to be able to grow academically but also we don't want them to miss out on growing their friendships, playtimes and the activities they enjoy so much every day.

On Friday whole school assembly, I am sharing the week's attendance for each year group and the year group with the best attendance over the term will get a class prize. So far, **Year 5** have been smashing it and their attendance over the last two weeks has averaged out to 99.8%! Well done to you - keep it up.

It's also great to see that no year group's attendance has fallen below 96% this week - we would love this to continue!

What have we been up to?!

Funky Friday

This morning, the energetic Mrs Stokes was found dancing her heart out in the school playground to some disco beats! As we welcomed the children onto the playground, she and Ms Priest encouraged them to have a bop before going into class to raise energy levels and also to get the children smiling. We deliberately surprised them this Friday, but next Friday they'll know what's coming and we are expecting to see them bringing their moves to the playground with the staff. We might even add more disco days to our repertoire!

Forest School

Our learning beyond the classroom continues with our Forest School programme, with Year 2 enjoying their leafy walks already.

Swimming

Year 5 have enjoyed their swimming lessons and are behaving impeccably at the pool - well done!

Pupil Leadership Team

We now have a new pupil leadership team who will be supporting me with many important tasks.

Roles and Responsibilities

Year 6 also have taken on many other roles after sending excellent letters of application for them. We are looking forward to seeing how they can support us all in many different ways.

School Council

Look out for our school council paperwork coming out soon! We will be holding a vote for two new school council representatives for each year group from Reception to Year 6.

Key Dates & Events

We are working hard to add events as far in advance as possible so that you are prepared for them. You can find them here:

<https://www.mount.dudley.sch.uk/Calendar/>

Please check as often as possible as occasionally there are changes, although we will endeavour to let you know via School Spider.

Frank Chapman Meeting:
The Year 6 meeting for the residential has had to be altered at the last minute due to there being a clash with a secondary school open evening. The meeting is now Wednesday 30th September at 5:30pm.

Welcome Meetings

Thank you to the families who came to our Welcome Meetings over the last couple of weeks. They were very well-attended and it is always good to get those positive relationships started between families and staff.

Please remember that our staff are there for you but it is safer for our children if you talk to them at the end of the day, when all of the children have been safely passed to their families. You can also call or email us and we will get back to you as soon as we can, although it may not be on the same day.

Our Welcome Meeting powerpoints can be found on the website via this link:

<https://www.mount.dudley.sch.uk/Welcome-Meetings/>

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