



## LAT Spring Term Newsletter 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to open this latest newsletter with two very positive updates in the Learning Academies Trust.

Firstly we have some great news to share from Mount Street. Ofsted finally visited and as we confidently predicted, they got their very well deserved 'GOOD'! Well done Mount Street!



As you may also be aware from our last newsletter, we were approached some time ago now by another Plymouth primary family of schools, who were looking for a partner to join with. Talks between the two trusts have progressed well and we have now received official and formal confirmation that the application for the Horizon Multi Academy Trust to join the Learning Academies Trust has been approved. To find out more, please see the joint letter below. Our Joint Partnership will create an eighteen school Plymouth Multi Academy Primary Trust, the largest in the city.



Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2023

Dear Stakeholder,

We are delighted to be able to inform you that proposed merger between the Horizon MAT and the Learning Academies Trust MAT can now officially go ahead. We have just received a formal written communication from South West Regional Director, Hannah Woodhouse, officially confirming the news.

It has taken us a while to get to this stage, but this is really fantastic news for our children and the communities we serve.

We will be in touch in due course with further details and information on next steps, but we would like to invite you to a **'Stakeholder Engagement meeting'** at **6.00pm at Elburton Primary school** on the evening of **Wednesday 19th April**. If you would like to attend this event, can you please email [office@horizonmat.com](mailto:office@horizonmat.com) so that we can make sure we have an appropriate space available. 'Believe you can. Together we will.'



The current 9 LAT schools are;  
High View, Knowle, Mayflower,  
Mount Wise, Mount Street,  
Prince Rock, Salisbury Road  
Shakespeare and Woodfield.

In addition, the 9 Horizon Trust schools  
joining us are;



Elburton, Ford  
Hooe, Hyde Park Infants,  
Hyde Park Juniors, Pomphlett,  
Plaistow Hill, Victoria Road and  
Widewell.

Simon Spry  
CEO of LAT

John Butcher  
Chair of Trust Board LAT

Maria Anderson  
CEO of Horizon

Debbie Taylor  
Chair of Trust Board Horizon

Simon Spry – CEO Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023



On the reverse of this newsletter are a sample of pictures taken from each school. There's also a lot more to see on each school's own websites. Happy Easter.

## MOUNT STREET



Pupils from Years 3 and 5 enjoyed participating in the Saltash Music Festival earlier this term.

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## MOUNT WISE

To launch the Great British Spring Clean school ambassadors from Mount Wise Community Primary joined forces with El and Ash from Clean our Patch to carry out a litter pick after school on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March. Look how many bags of litter they collected.



## SHAKESPEARE

Knowle and Shakespeare Parliament members challenging MP's at Westminster last week.



## MAYFLOWER



World Book Day. We focused on performance poetry and sharing examples of our favourite authors.

## WOODFIELD

On a beautiful Spring day all of Woodfield walked to St Chad's church to attend an Easter service and sing some songs.



## SALISBURY ROAD

Year 3 enjoyed their visits to Plymouth Central Library. They listened to stories and poems about the Romans before joining in with an anagram activity about Roman Gods and Goddesses.



## PRINCE ROCK



The children at Prince Rock raised money for Comic Relief by coming to school with wacky hair styles. Check out these amazing hair pieces!

## HIGH VIEW

At High View School, Marshall recently became the lucky recipient of the first ever "golden ticket" to select a book of his choice from our wonderful new book vending machine.



## KNOWLE



Jeremy Corbyn receiving a Knowle and Shakespeare grilling over the illegal trade of animals bill passed in Parliament.

