

27th January 2026

Dear Parents & Carers

KS1 – Plymouth Aquarium – Monday 2nd March 2026

Over the Spring term, KS1 will be learning about ‘animals including humans’ in Science. To support this learning, we will be visiting Plymouth Aquarium on Monday 2nd March to help our understanding of marine life.

Our trip to the Aquarium will involve an immersive underwater tour with a specialist guide who will reveal fascinating facts about our Ocean creatures. We will explore habitats, classification, identifying different species, adaptations, and food chains. The children will then have the opportunity to be involved in a ‘creature creations’ workshop where they will draw inspiration from all they have seen to create their own underwater sea creature. They will think about colours, patterns and how their creature is suited to their Ocean habitat.

We will travel to the aquarium by coach on **Monday 2nd March 2026 at 9:15**. Please ensure your child arrives to school no later than 8.50 am so we can leave promptly. Our coach will be returning to school in time for the normal collection time of 3:15pm.

To enable the trip to go ahead, we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £14 per child. If we do not collect sufficient voluntary contributions, the visit may be unable to take place. Please arrange payment via the MCAS app by **Monday 9th February**.

Please ensure that your child brings the following items with them:

- Sturdy comfortable shoes
- A water bottle
- A packed lunch which can be carried in a backpack (if your child is entitled to free school meals, then we can supply a packed lunch, please contact the school office to order)
- Suitable outdoor clothing (raincoat)



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As we prepare for the trip, we kindly ask that you ensure all your contact details and child's medical information is up to date via the MCAS app.

Additionally, please make sure you have ticked the consent for trips in the Parental Permissions tab via your MCAS app. This is essential for your child's participation.

If you have any questions or would like any more information, please speak to the KS1 team or the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Hardy, Mr Jones and Mrs Zaki.

Year 1 & 2 Teachers