



THE TIMES
Rank in local authority 2018

Number of eligible pupils | % at expected standard | Average score

Rank	School	Number of eligible pupils	% at expected standard	Average score	
1	Ernesettle Community School	53	110	32	89
2	Plympton St Maurice Primary School	28	110	21	86
3	Elburton Primary School	62	110	15	82
4	Pomphlett Primary School	32	109	16	91
5	Mayflower Academy	56	109	25	84
6	High View School	45	109	20	80
7	Marine Academy Primary	29	109	7	79
8	Hooe Primary Academy	32	108	13	94
9	Glen Park Primary School	53	108	9	81
10	Pilgrim Primary Academy	25	108	8	80

Ernesettle Community School Newsletter

December 2018

1st PLACE IN THE CITY 2018

Together We Learn

...always striving to be outstanding, transforming the aspirations of a community.

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Welcome to the December newsletter, what a month it has been, Christmas performances, Carol Concerts, our first 'Facebook Live' Christmas Raffle(!) and a continuation of learning and progress for the children; December has certainly been a busy but great one! We were delighted to be named 136th in the country last month and had further good news this month when the Times published us as 1st in the authority for 2018, a lovely way to end the year and celebrate the fantastic achievements of the children. We will continue to give at least 100% in 2019 and look forward to another fantastic year for our school. You will read overleaf about our school 'mantras' of 'Treating others as we wish to be treated ourselves' and 'Going out in the world and doing WELL, but more importantly going out in the world and doing GOOD'. Next year will be a year where we practise what we preach as we support a local school in challenging circumstances to hopefully deliver the quality of education that we have come to expect here at Ernesettle. Some of you will remember that in 2010, Ernesettle was placed into Special Measures by Ofsted, since then we have worked tirelessly to ensure our children have the best possible life chances and it will be our aim to support Tor Bridge Primary to do exactly the same.

Finally, may I take this opportunity to thank the PTA for all of their hard work over the year and also to thank you all for the lovely cards and gifts that I and the staff team have received, they are very much appreciated.

Breakfast Club & After School Club

Breakfast Club & After School Club continue to be available five days a week providing childcare from **7.30am** until **6.00pm**.

Please contact the school office for further details.

BREAKFAST CLUB AND AFTER SCHOOL CLUB HOURS HAVE BEEN INCREASED FURTHER TO SUPPORT WORKING PARENTS/CARERS AND ENABLE THOSE OF YOU WHO ARE CURRENTLY SEEKING EMPLOYMENT TO HAVE FAR MORE FLEXIBILITY WHEN LOOKING FOR JOBS OR TRAINING.

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB BOOKING SYSTEM

After School Club now operates a booking system via Parentpay, please contact the school office or Aly Mallett, the Extended Schools Club Supervisor should you require any further details.

Some families may be able to claim the cost of these clubs back through Tax Credits.

Breakfast Club costs £2 per day with After School Club costing £2 for 3.15pm-4.30pm and £5 for 3.15pm – 6.00pm.

ParentPay

Can you please ensure that Breakfast Club, After School Club and Nursery bookings are paid for and booked in advance through ParentPay.



Term Dates 2018-2019 for Pupils

Term 2	
Last day of school:	Thursday 20 th December 2018
Term 3	
First day of school:	Tuesday 8 th January 2019
Last day of school:	Friday 15 th February 2019
Term 4	
First day of school:	Monday 25 th February 2019
Last day of school:	Friday 5 th April 2019
Term 5	
First day of school:	Tuesday 23 rd April 2019
Last day of school:	Friday 24 th May 2019
Bank Holiday/s:	Mondays 22 nd April & 6 th May 2019
Term 6	
First day of school:	Monday 3 rd June 2019
Last day of school:	Friday 26 th July 2019
Holiday Club: weeks commencing...	
29 th July 2019 & 5 th August 2019	



'Family Support Advisor'

Just a reminder that to contact Kelly, our Family Support Advisor, you can:

- collect a contact form from reception, fill it in and she will call you back
- pop in and she will arrange a time to see you
- email her on fsadvisor@ecs.plymouth.sch.uk
- use the 'Contact Us' form on the school's website

If you would like to call Kelly, please ring the school number on (01752) 201177 and choose option 2, if she is not available or it is out of hours, please leave a message, she will return your call as soon as possible.

Governor Update

Dear Parents and Carers,
What an amazing couple of terms the school has had already with national and local recognition - which is so well-deserved. I am sure you wish all the staff team a relaxing break, ready for an exciting 2019 and all the opportunities it will bring!!

I have been so impressed with the fantastic family homework that has been produced over the past couple of terms – such a brilliant demonstration of imagination, creativity and enjoyment to be had as a family. The Christmas break could prove to be an ideal opportunity for your family to have a go at creating something phenomenal – at last, a use for all the boxes, wrapping paper and tubes, ribbon, glitter and cards that accumulate over Christmas! How about trying this...?

As we have had more than one nomination, there will be an election for the role of Parent Governor on the Local Advisory Board when we return to school.

The Members, Trustees and Local Governors wish you a very 'Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year' and look forward to working for the continued success of the school.

Best wishes, Carol Wood

Chair, on behalf of the Trustees & Local Governors



Christmas Raffle 2018

We hope you enjoyed our first ever 'live broadcast' from the school, (apart from the festive dodgy suit!). Thank you as always for your support and congratulations to all of the lucky winners! The prize winners will be contacted today and all prizes can be collected from the school office (or will come home with the children if applicable) if you haven't done so already.



Finally, from all at Ernesettle Community School, thank you very much for your continued support, we wish you all a...



Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to thank you for your support this year. Amongst other things we have purchased a new slush machine and have wrapped a selection box for every child, we hope they enjoy them!

Throughout the year we have also contributed towards the Year 6 leavers hoodies, have run the school discos, organised Fathers' Day and Christmas cards and supported the Key Stage 2 sleepover. We also ran our first summer fete - we hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

None of this would be possible without your support and donations, thank you.

If anyone would like to join the PTA in the new year, please contact the school office. We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Learning & Aspirations at ECS...

Learning at our school is premised on children leading happy, successful lives in supportive, loving, families and relationships. This is all based on two statements which we instil in all of our learners...

Go out in the world and do WELL, but more importantly, go out in the world and do GOOD... and

Treat others as you wish to be treated yourself...

These two very simple statements provide our children with the mind-set and ambition that they can be anything that they want to be. It is now very common to hear Ernesettle pupils aspiring to be paramedics, teachers, solicitors, service personnel, vets and emergency service workers. Through our high expectations for academic progress, manners and making a positive difference in the world, Ernesettle children now believe that they can be the 'game-changers' of the future. This, coupled with our commitment to providing aspirational experiences through our curriculum, ensures children now have a taste of what life has to offer when hard work, perseverance, excellent outcomes and positive relationships are combined.

"Go into the world and **DO WELL**. But more importantly, go into the world and **DO GOOD**."



Minor Myers Jr.
17th president of Illinois Wesleyan University
1942-2003



Attendance Awards

Just a reminder that all children with an attendance rate of 98.5% and above are entered into the draw for the £50 Smyths voucher at the end of terms 2, 4 & 6. Those children with 100% get two tickets each term!

Please give your child the best chance of winning this super prize by ensuring that they are in school every day and that dental and medical appointments are taken outside of the school day.



Attend to Achieve

Every Child. Every Day.