

Marlborough Primary Academy School News

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Saying Goodbye – We will be saying goodbye to Ms. Barrows who has been working in Little Oaks whilst at the school. We would like to thank her for all she has done for the children and families of Marlborough. We wish her all the very best at her new school.

Anti-Bullying -

Our school anti-bullying definition is **'STOP' (Several Times On Purpose)** and all of our children are aware of the definition of bullying;



Bullying is the repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power. It can happen face to face or online.

We encourage every child to feel confident to share any concerns they may have about bullying and ensure that it is addressed sensitively and in accordance with our anti-bullying policy.

Children can share their concerns with any member of staff or via the worry box which can be found on the main corridor.

<https://www.antibullyingpro.com/resources/parents-guide-to-anti-bullying> - This is a link to the parent's guide pdf on the Diana Award website which has some very helpful information for both primary and secondary children.

If you have any concerns or worries about your child or any child in school, don't forget you can talk to our Safeguarding Team. Our team is made up of 3 trained DSL's (Designated Safeguarding Leads): Mr. Dore, Mrs Perez and Mrs Green. They can be easily identified around school as they wear a yellow lanyard so they stand out.

Our doors are always open and we are here to help and support all our children and families – please do contact us if you have any concerns or worries.

Anti-Bullying Week 2023: Make a Noise about Bullying – This year the theme is 'Make a Noise about Bullying'. We will start the week with Odd Sock day on Monday 13th November, where adults and children wear odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. We are encouraging everyone to take part and look forward to seeing lots of odd socks in school.



been appointed:

Head Girl – Daisy

Head Boy – Kaiden

Prefects: Jenson, Henry, Scarlett, Jack

Lola-Mai, Arthur, Harvey, Harry, Andy

Cassie, Isabella, Ayaan, Dennis and Flavius

The children will have a range of duties across the year contributing towards making our school a great place to be.

Family Support Worker (Connect 2 Project) – We are part of the Connect 2 project meaning that we will be eligible to have a paid for Family Support Worker for ½ day a fortnight. Claire will be holding a coffee morning on Monday 13th November (8.45am – 11.30am) – please do come along to meet her and find out what support she is able to offer.

Department for Work and Pensions (DWP) – We have arranged a one off session whereby a worker from the DWP will come into school to be available for parents to meet with. The purpose of the meeting would be to enable parents to come and find out if there are any additional benefits you may be able to receive. This will be on Thursday 23rd November (9.15am until 10.15am). Please do come along and see if you could receive more.



Uniform Grant – We may be able to offer assistance with basic school clothing needs for your child(ren).

You could be eligible if you receive:

- Income support
- Income based Jobseekers Allowance
- An income-related employment and support allowance
- Support under part VI of Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Where your annual income does not exceed £16,190 (as assessed by HM Revenues and Customs)

- Working Tax credit 'run-on' – the payment someone may receive for a further four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax credit

Please not if you are not entitled to Working Tax credit you are NOT eligible for a clothing grant.

What will I receive:

Once a year you may claim for:-

- A pack of 2 shirts
- A jumper or cardigan
- A skirt or pair of trousers
- Sensible school shoes.

What do I need to do if I think I qualify?:

Speak to the office staff and collect an application form.



Attendance - Our current attendance is **95.39%** We are **below** the national expectation of 96%. It is really important that your child(ren) are in school, on

time, every day.

The class with the best attendance for the last two weeks is **Willows** Class. Well done!



Reach South Multi-Academy Trust – For parents and families

new to the school you may not be aware that we are part of a multi-academy trust. Reach South is a Trust of sixteen academies across the south west region, with over 900 employees and 5,500 children. It is a Trust driven by a set of core principles and values which you can find on the Trust website: <https://www.reachsouth.org/>.

We are proud to be a member of Reach South Multi-Academy Trust and part of the Plymouth Hub of the Trust. This means that we work particularly closely with several schools across the city, giving us the opportunity to collaborate through working together and supporting one another so that we can offer the children the best possible education and enable them to achieve highly.

Website

Please do look at our website on a regular basis as we do keep it up-to-date. The address is: www.marlborough.plymouth.sch.uk

Dates for Your Diary

Please do keep an eye on the diary dates but be aware they may be subject to change.

Fri 20th Oct – Break for half term

HALF TERM

Mon 30th Oct – Return to school
Tues 31st Oct – Halloween Disco
Mon 13th Nov – Anti-Bullying week 'Make a noise'
Tues 12th Dec – Nativity 9.30am
Wed 13th Dec – Nativity 9.30am

Tuesday 19th Dec – Class parties pm
Tues 19th Dec – Break for Christmas

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Wed 3rd Jan – Return to school
Thurs 8th Feb – Break for half term

HALF TERM

Mon 19th Feb – Return to school
Thurs 7th Mar – World Book Day
Tues 26th Mar – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)
Thurs 28th Mar – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)
Thurs 28th Mar – Break for Easter

EASTER BREAK

Mon 15th April – Return to school
Mon 6th May – Bank Holiday
Mon 13th May – Y6 SATs week (Beech class)
Fri 24th May – Break for half term

HALF TERM

Mon 3rd June – Return to school
Mon 3rd June – Y4 table check (Sycamore class)
Mon 10th June – Y1 & Y2 phonics screen (Maple class)
Fri 21st June – Whole school sports afternoon
Fri 12th July – Annual report to parents
Tues 16th July – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)
Wed 17th July – Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9.30am
Wed 17th July – Whole school picnic 2pm
Thurs 18th July – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)
Fri 19th July – Break for the summer holiday

SUMMER BREAK