

# Marlborough Primary Academy School News

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school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

**Breakfast Club and After School Club** – Did you know that we operate both a breakfast club and an after school club? These are both available to all parents should you wish your child to attend.

Breakfast Club begins at 7.45am and costs £2.00. Your child will receive a breakfast of bagel, cereals with the opportunity to take part in a range of well planned activities.



After School Club begins at 3.15pm and ends at 5.00pm. Each sessions costs £5.00. The club has recently introduced new indoor and outdoor activities. The children are provided with healthy snacks. It is a great environment for the children to mix across all year groups, helping them to develop their social skills by playing, sharing and learning new skills together.

*How do I book my child onto either Breakfast Club or After School Club? Book on your Teachers to Parents/School Money app or contact the school office and they will be happy to help you.*

**What is bullying?** - Bullying is defined as deliberately hurtful behaviour by an individual or a group of individuals, repeated over a period of time, where it is difficult for those being bullied to defend themselves.



The school defines bullying using the acronym STOP:

S = Several  
T = Times  
O = On  
P = Purpose

The three main types of bullying are:

- Physical (hitting, kicking, theft)
- Verbal (name calling, racist remarks or comments which relate to any personal characteristics including gender and ethnicity)

- Indirect (spreading rumours, excluding someone from social groups, or increasingly via 'cyber' bullying through new and emerging technology).

At Marlborough Primary children are encouraged to report bullying in school to a teacher or staff member.

**Safeguarding** - If you have any concerns or worries about your child or any child in school, you can talk to our Safeguarding Team.

Our team is made up of three staff (Mr. Dore, Mrs. Perez and Mrs. Green). They can be easily identified around school as they wear a yellow lanyard so they stand out from other staff.



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.

## **Planting our Micro Forest -**

On Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March a charity called Societree and Active Devon are coming in to school to plant 400 trees for our new micro forest. They have previously visited with Mushy the Mushroom who your children will probably remember and also built our new reading circle in the paddock. This will be for Willows, Maple and Little Oaks class.

On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> The Forestry Commision will be in to plant our new hedge with Sycamore and Beech class.

**Parents' Evenings** – These will be happening next week. Please do make a note of the dates in your diary:



Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Mar – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)

Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Mar – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)

These are important opportunities for you to talk to your class teacher about how your child is doing and have the chance to look through their work.



**Attendance** - Our current attendance is 91%. We are below the national expectation of 94%. 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 Maple Class with 97%. Well done!

**End of Term** – The spring term will finish on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March at the usual time of 3.15pm.

**Polling Day Closure** – We will be closed to all the children on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May with the exception of children in Y6.

### **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](http://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.

Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Mar – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)  
Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Mar – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)  
Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Mar – Break for Easter

### **EASTER BREAK**

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April – Return to school  
Thurs 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Polling Day closure  
Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday  
Mon 13<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 SATs week (Beech class)  
Fri 24<sup>th</sup> May – Break for half term

### **HALF TERM**

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

### **SUMMER BREAK**