



**Marlborough Primary Academy  
Newsletter  
Spring 2020**

Spring Term at Marlborough Primary. Remember to take a look at our website page which has the latest calendar events on it at:  
[www.marlboroughprimary.eschools.co.uk](http://www.marlboroughprimary.eschools.co.uk)

**SATS Week 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> May**

As you are aware Year 6 SATS is approaching.  
Please refrain from booking any appointments  
during this time.

Thank you

**May 8<sup>th</sup> Bank Holiday**

Just to remind you all the May Bank Holiday has been  
changed in the UK to **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May** instead of the Monday.

**Achievers of the Week**

**Teacher Choice**

1P – Logan K  
2B – Mason D  
3M – Oscar R  
4/5B- Jack A  
5/6D- Hollie G

**Class Choice**

1P – Logan K  
2B – Kaidan T  
3M – Louise C  
4/5B- Lily M  
5/6D- Crystal W

**New Foundation Class Teacher**

I would like to offer a warm Marlborough welcome to Mrs Jenny Cleverley into the Foundation Team. She is the new Reception Class Teacher for the remainder of the academic year. She has a wealth of experience of Early Years and has already been working closely with Mrs Perez, Early Years Leader, before starting this term. She will be a great asset to the school.

**Careers Fair – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

We are hosting a careers fair in the school hall on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March** from 9 – 12pm. This is being run and organised by UTC Plymouth. It will give the children in Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6, the opportunity to look at a range of Career options from employers from the local area, including the Royal Navy and Babcock. We are inviting the children from **Year 4, 5 and 6** to come dressed in 'their career choice costume', if they wish.

**World Book Day**

The children are invited to dress up as their favourite book character in celebration of **World Book Day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March**. Please can we avoid football kits. Those children who don't wish to do this will wear school uniform as normal. We will be sharing our favourite books during a 'Family Focus Group' session where children across the school meet in mixed age groups.

**Attendance – Parents Meeting**

I was disappointed that so few parents attended the Parents meeting on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February, to discuss the Attendance concerns raised by Ofsted. The 5 parents that did come along came up with a good suggestions in order to support the school with raising the attendance levels. Thank you to those parents. I would still like to hear from any of you that have more ideas that we can share.

The Parents ideas suggested were:

- If you know a family who struggles to get to school on time and you live nearby, offer to bring your friends children
- Walking Bus – We still only have 1 parent volunteer and need more – please help if you can. All parents involved would require a DBS which will be arranged by the office staff
- The Parent Group that meet every Monday for the 'Positive Parenting Course', want to continue to meet once their course is completed. Monday afternoon's will become a drop in 'Parents afternoon' to sit and chat over a cuppa and network to support each other. **All parents** are invited to come along.

Please come and let me know if you have any more ideas regarding Attendance.

**Coronavirus Advice**

Please read the letter on the school website or use the links below to look at the latest information regarding Coronavirus.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-to-educational-settings-about-covid-19>

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/wuhan-novel-coronavirus-information-for-the-public>

### Spirit of Adventure Residential trip

For those that have booked their children a place on the Spirit of Adventure residential trip, please try and make some payments towards it to reduce the final payment. Thank you

### Eat them to defeat them

For the next 5 weeks we are encouraging children to eat and try more vegetables, please support at home

### Non Pupil Day

Due to the local elections on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May the school will be closed.

### Diary Dates:

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Ladies that lunch – please see letter for times

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May Non Pupil Day

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May Bank Holiday

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> SATS Week

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June – Summer Fayre

### Reading at Home



Please support your child with their reading at home. Please sign and comment in their yellow book every time you hear them read. Thank you. If your child is reluctant to read to you, try reading a range of interesting books to them.



### Up to Date Contacts



Please keep Reception up to date with any changes of addresses, telephone numbers and anything else you think we should be aware of.



### Lost Property



We appear to have a lot of lost property again.

If you are aware of anything missing, do not hesitate to come in and have a look.

Please also ensure your child's clothes are **labelled** and make your child aware they are responsible for their property.



### Absence/Sickness



Please advise **Reception** as soon as possible if your child is going to be absent from school.

If your child is away with sickness and/or diarrhoea, they must be kept away for at least 48 hours after the sickness and/or diarrhoea has stopped.

All absences **MUST** be reported to Reception or on the absence line (01752 567681) as messages do not always get recorded correctly via DOJO or Teachers in playground.

If your child is out on an appointment but will be in before lunch, please let Reception know what they would like us to order them for lunch.



### Parent Support Advisor



Denise Skinner

If you would like to make an appointment to come and see me, please give reception a call to arrange.



### School Uniform



Please make sure your child has the correct and **LABELLED** uniform on at all times.

Tel: 01752 567681

Email: [marlborough.primary.school@plymouth.gov.uk](mailto:marlborough.primary.school@plymouth.gov.uk)