

# Marlborough Primary Academy School News

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**Ofsted Report –** We hope you have all had chance to read our report now that we are now judged as 'good' in all aspects by Ofsted. A copy can be found on the school website.

Over two days Ofsted inspectors met with staff, talked to parents, children, governors and Trustees, as well as watching lots of lessons and looking through children's exercise books. In the report Ofsted commented that the school is welcoming and inclusive, noting that children enjoy their time at the school and form good relationships with staff. They commented on our focus on reading, stating "The school ensures that reading is at the centre of the curriculum".

We are all thrilled with the outcome and are already working on further improvements we have planned for the school.

**Making Payments to School –** From January 2024 we will be using School Money for all payments. This means that you will be able to book and pay you're your child(rens) lunches/clubs etc on the School Money app or on their website. As a school we will no longer be taking cash or taking bookings in the school office. Please check that you are able to access the app. If you have any difficulty accessing the app or website then please come and talk to the office staff who will be happy to help.



**Saying Goodbye –** We will be saying goodbye to Mrs. Visone (in the school office) and Miss Wood (Cover supervisor) at the end of this term. We would like to thank them for all that they have done for Marlborough and wish them both every success in their new roles.



**Attendance -** Our current attendance is **92.5%**. 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**. Well done!

**Family Support Worker –** Clare Goves will be in school on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December. If you would like to talk to her please contact the office to make a time.

**Christmas Parties –** These will be happening on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December during the afternoon. Children do not need to wear uniform that day and can come into school in their Christmas jumpers or party outfit.

**Christmas Outcomes –** We are working hard on producing our Christmas outcome for you to enjoy. The performances will be on:



Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am

The tickets for the performances are £1.00.



**Christmas Fayre –** We are looking forward to our Christmas Fayre on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December – please do come and join us.

## **End of Term –**

The last day of term is Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December – we will be finishing at the usual time of 3.15pm. We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.



## **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 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity 9.30am  
Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity 9.30am  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Class parties pm  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Break for Christmas

### **CHRISTMAS BREAK**

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

### **HALF TERM**

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb – Return to school  
Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Mar – World Book Day  
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  
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**