

# Marlborough Primary Academy School News

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**Welcome Back:** We hope that you have all had a lovely Christmas break and we wish you all a very Happy New Year for 2024.

**Christmas Performance –** We hope you enjoyed the Christmas production and were very impressed with the quality of the performances. The children really rose to the occasion and sang beautifully making us all very proud of their achievement. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for the hard-work in putting together such an event.



**Attendance –** Our current attendance is 89%. 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 Sycamore Class. Well done!

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

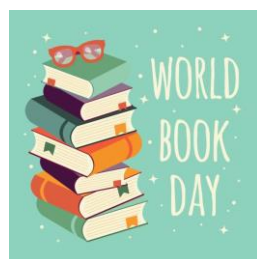
Our team is made up of four staff (Mrs. Green, Mr. Dore, and Mrs. Perez). They can be easily identified around school as they wear a yellow lanyard so they stand out from other staff.



**Art Week –** We will be holding our annual art week beginning Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January. It will end with a whole school art exhibition on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January to which you are all invited to come to visit. The theme of the week is Colour. The

children will be taking part in a number of exciting activities developing and learning new artistic skills. We look forward to seeing you all there.

**World Book Day –** As a school we will be taking part in World Book Day. This will be on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March. Everyone is encouraged to dress up as a book character or to wear their pyjamas to school for the day. We will be taking part in lots of exciting activities linked to reading. More information will come out as we get closer to the date.



**Christmas Fayre –** We hope you all enjoyed the Christmas Fayre. Our Friends and Family parent group have raised a little over £300, £50 will be donated to each class for resources.

**Parents' Evenings –** These will be happening towards the end of March. 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.

**School Money/Teachers to Parents.** 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.

**Naming all items –** Please help us to help you...Please ensure that all of your child's uniform, including their coat, is clearly named. When children remove their coats, jumpers and cardigans it is very difficult to reunite them without a name! Please also name lunch boxes and any other items, such as a water bottle.

## Website

Please do look at our website on a regular basis as we do keep it up-to-date. The address is:  
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## Dates for Your Diary

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

Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Feb – Break for half term  
Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Feb – Inset day

## 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**