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An Lester Trumach - The Packet Ship

26th February 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you managed to enjoy the half term break even if the weather was not on our side! This half term is an eventful one; we have our library launch, a Week of Words, St Piran's Day, a whole school Big Dig and class outcomes. As always Marlborough pupils have come back to school ready for the challenge and excitement ahead.

SATs Meeting for Parents of Pupils in Year 2 and Year 6.

At the end of Key Stage 1 (Year 2) and the end of Key Stage 2 (Year 6) pupils are assessed using Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs). We are holding a meeting for parents of Year 2 pupils at 3:30pm and for Year 6 parents at 4pm **TODAY** to share more information. During the Year 6 meeting we will also be discussing the residential trip to the Isle of Wight.

Marlborough's Week of Words

Our library is nearly ready to be officially opened and used to its full potential. We're so excited to have such a wonderful space to inspire our pupils to become readers for life. We will be holding a whole week of reading related celebrations from Monday the 2nd of March. There will be competitions galore, including naming the new library space, fruit and veg literary creations and reading quizzes. There will be workshops with dancing, singing and visiting writers. We need volunteers who would like to read to the children from 3pm on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday. It should be a wonderful week celebrating the new space and thanking all those who have made it possible.

Monday 2nd March: Official opening at 3pm with a Family Reading Café. **All invited!**

Tuesday 3rd March: Trivia Tuesday - The joy of non-fiction texts.

Wednesday 4th March: Book Day Dressing Up! Come to school as a character from a book.

Thursday 5th March: St Piran's Day- Cornish Stories. Bring in your favourite book to share with others.

Friday 6th March: Packet Ships Picture Book Pandemonium.

Parent Consultation Meetings

As we are half way through the school year it is a great time for parents and teachers to meet and discuss their child's progress so far and look at future targets. Your child's class teacher may be contacting you with an appointment request or you can ask to meet with them via office@marlborough.cornwall.sch.uk

Coronavirus Update from the Department of Education

Over the last few months, you would have heard about the outbreak of the Coronavirus in China including the reports of confirmed cases in the UK as well as a recent increase in cases in Italy. If you have recently visited Northern Italy over the holiday period or other countries listed by the Department of Health in the last 14 days, parents/carers are encouraged to read the advice from the Department of Health regarding the Coronavirus. If you are experiencing cough or fever or shortness of breath, you should stay indoors and call NHS 111, even if symptoms are mild. If you have recently returned from any of the quarantined towns in Italy (Bertonico, Casalpusterlengo, Castelgerundo, Castiglione d'Adda, Codogno, Fombio, Maleo, San Fiorano, Somaglia, Terranova dei Passerini -all in Lodi province in Lombardy -and Vo' Euganeo in Padova province, Veneto) you should follow the government advice and self-quarantine. If you are experiencing cough or fever or shortness of breath, you should stay indoors and call NHS 111, even if symptoms are mild.

You should not be unduly worried about the possibility of your children catching the Coronavirus. There is no reason why your children should not continue to attend their school setting as normal. Please help to

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promote basic hygiene practices, such as regularly washing hands and always sneezing into a tissue, to stem the spread of viruses. Please advise the school immediately if you become aware of your child having been in contact with someone who has been diagnosed with Coronavirus.

Curriculum Enhancement

St Piran's Day Parade

Class 4 have been working with Vicki Ferguson getting ready to perform in the St Piran's Day parade on Thursday 5th of March. The parade will start on the Moor at 10am. Please can Year 4 pupils come to school on Thursday in black trousers/skirt and a white top, if this is difficult they can wear their school uniform. Adults and all of the children taking part are invited into the Methodist Church after the parade for tea and a saffron bun. All are welcome to come and support us.

Choir Performance

Our school choir have been busy working with Miss Finnegan on a modern set of songs. Ten of the choir members have been chosen to sing at Songfest on Thursday 12th of March at the Princess Pavillions. As only a few choir members are able to sing at Songfest we will be holding our own concert in school on Friday 13th March at 1.30pm with all of the choir members performing. Parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Futsal Festival

Some Year 3 and 4 pupils have been selected to represent Marlborough School in a Futsal festival at Falmouth School on Friday. They will leave school at 12.45pm and need to be collected from Falmouth School at 3pm.

Clubs Update

Gardening Club is starting again on Wednesdays. A Year 6 SATs club is starting on Mondays. The Monday Football club is now also open to confident Year 2 footballers.

Cake Bake Sale for Australian Wildlife Bushfires

On the Friday before half term, a cake bake sale was held to raise money for the Australian wildlife bushfires. We raised £167.25! Many thanks to all who helped with the cake sale.

Free Period Products

The Department for Education have launched a new scheme providing access to free period products in schools and colleges in England. This scheme ensures that period products are available to young people if they need them, when they need them. This includes supporting those who have started their period unexpectedly, forgotten to bring products with them and those who can't afford to buy them. We will be discussing where to access these free sanitary towels in school with the pupils.

Mariners News

The next mariners meeting is taking place **TOMORROW** (Thurs 27th Feb) at 8pm at Falmouth Townhouse. All are welcome!

Sponsors Needed for September Sponsored Cycle

Calling all parents with businesses! A great opportunity to support the school and advertise your business at the same time. After the success of the 2018 sponsored cycle ride the Marlborough Mariners are organising another for the Autumn of 2020! For £100 your business logo will be featured on the back of all the packet ship coloured T-shirt's which will then be sold for children to wear during the event (and for many years afterwards too!). If you are interested please email mariners@marlborough.cornwall.sch.uk for more information.

Big Dig

More Big Dig information is at the end of this newsletter...

Spring Flower Show 2020

There are sign up forms in the foyer for the upcoming Falmouth Spring Flower Show which takes place in March. All information on what you need to do to take part is on the form. Please take one if interested – anyone at the school can take part ages 4-16.

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Castle Sports Temporary Closure

Castle Sports, our school uniform suppliers, are having a refit and will be closed between the 2nd and 7th of March. They will be open as usual from Monday the 9th of March.

Dates for the diary

Weds 26th February (TODAY) – Class 2 SATs meeting, 3.30pm; Class 6 SATs and Residential Meeting, 4pm

Thursday 27th February – Mariners Meeting at The Townhouse, 8pm

Monday 2nd March- Friday 6th March – Library Launch Week

Thursday 5th March – St Piran's Day Parade with Class 4 dancing, 10am on The Moor

Thursday 12th March – Songfest at Princess Pavillions, 7pm

Friday 13th March – Big Dig

Wednesday 25th March – Class 5 to the National Maritime Museum Cornwall

Friday 27th March – Tempest Class and Sports Team photos

Monday 30th March to 13th April – Easter Holidays

Tuesday 14th April - Back to School, Start of the Summer Term

Packet Points						
This week score table				Termly score table		
Position	Team	Weekly Points	Weekly Score	Position	Team	Termly Score
1 st	Swiftsure	178	7	1 st	Swiftsure	70
2 nd	Walsingham	152	5	2 nd	Chichester	60
3 rd	Freeling	115	4	3 rd	Walsingham	59
4 th	Chichester	114	3	4 th	Pelham	48
5 th	Pelham	96	2	5 th	Freeling	38
6 th	Fox	76	1	6 th	Fox	36



JUNIOR BAKE OFF
...IS LOOKING FOR THE UK'S
BEST YOUNG BAKERS
AGED 9 - 15
WWW.APPLYFORJUNIORBAKEOFF.CO.UK
APPLICATIONS CLOSE
SUNDAY 5th APRIL 2020
Enquiries:
applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk

The poster features a colorful illustration of a kitchen scene with a yellow stand mixer, a bowl of batter, a whisk, a rolling pin, and a whisk. In the background, there are yellow bunting flags and a small tent. The text is in a playful, bold font.

Messy Church is back – bigger and better than ever.

The next gathering will be on **SATURDAY March 14th between 9.30 and 11.00 at All Saints Church, Killigrew Street, Falmouth**. We will start at 9.30 with **breakfast** and then there will be games and activities, followed by a story and songs. Everyone is welcome and **we would be delighted to see you**. All children must be accompanied by an adult please.

MESSY CHURCH is an all-age **family** gathering with craft, games, songs, story and food, not like conventional church; that is partly why it's called "Messy". There is plenty of space for the energetic to run around, and we do not expect anyone to sit quietly when they are not in the mood.

Messy Church is **free**, but donations are very welcome. For more information see www.messychurch.org.uk or find us on Facebook.com/Falmouth Messy Church. Please note that the following Messy Church will be held on 4th April (not the usual second Saturday as that is on the Easter weekend), and it may involve CHOCOLATE.

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We are delighted to announce: 'The Marlborough Big Dig!' in conjunction with Sports Relief!



Please put **Friday 13th March 2020** in the diary. Parents and carers are invited to work as volunteers for the day, this will be alongside the children who will be spending the morning outside too. This is a Mariner led event. **The more the merrier!**

There will be a variety of outdoor activities and projects for the children which will take place within the school grounds and on the school field. The volunteers will either be involved with the children's outdoor activities/projects, or giving the school grounds a spruce up, including chopping, planting, fixing, moving things... and more.

If you are free and willing to help, please register at the school office. More details will be sent home in the children's book bags this week.

School lunches will be available for adults (preferably pre-order) for £3.55. Tea and cake will be provided for free.

We will be welcoming donations! There will be a donations box in the school foyer, or please leave inside of infant gate by the willow 'dome' (to left of main entrance). **Thank you.**

Here is a list of some of the things we would ideally like:

- Plants, especially flowers and herbs, vegetable plug plants
- Summer flowering bulbs and seeds
- Seed trays
- Large plant pots
- Utensils for our mud kitchen (whisks, spoons, pans etc)
- Suitable branches for den building
- Wooden spoons (to decorate for Falmouth Spring Flower Show)
- Flat pebbles (to decorate for Falmouth Spring Flower Show)
- Sticks for our 'invention using sticks' activity - from biggish to littelish sticks, and different types of plant material...
- Old white sheets - for painting on
- Old colourful clothes/rags

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