



## An Lester Trumach - The Packet Ship

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Dear Parents



St Piran's Day fell on Sunday this year. Unfortunately, last year's organisers decided that the procession would lack the atmosphere needed to make the event special and, owing to personal circumstances, that delaying until today would not be possible. Looking at the weather – that was probably a wise decision. Hopefully we'll be able to get this important local festival back on track with community involvement next year. We had a quiet celebration in this morning's assembly in school.

It was good to see around a dozen parents at Friday's coffee morning and to hear some of your views and ideas. Both Helen Turner, chair of governors, and I took notes and we will aim to answer a few questions and concerns in coming newsletters. Some of the conversation concerned communication, written, electronic and spoken. The most important of these, I think we would all agree is the face to face conversation. Some concerns were that it can be difficult to catch a teacher in the morning and that, when I'm at the gate I might be in conversation with other parents and it is difficult to interrupt. Please can I assure everyone – if you need to speak, please interrupt! My place at the gate (or in current weather pattern, the front door) during the 08:30-08:45 period is to be available, as it is for teachers in class. Many schools keep children in the playground and parents at arm's reach through the early morning drop off time and it is important for us that Marlborough is, and feels like it is an open school.

Last Week				Total		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Swiftsure	35	7	1 <sup>st</sup>	Fox	43
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Fox	27	5	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Swiftsure	41
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pelham	26	4	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Freeling	31
4 <sup>th</sup>	Freeling	18	3		Pelham	31
5 <sup>th</sup>	Walsingham	15	2	5 <sup>th</sup>	Chichester	19
6 <sup>th</sup>	Chichester	11	1	6 <sup>th</sup>	Walsingham	16

Class 1 would like to ask that if you have any 'small world' toys please would you be able to donate them: these could include cars and transport toys; finger puppets; dolls; farm, domestic and wild animals, etc



Lighthouse Keeper of the Week

*We've been presented with a very grand and robust new lighthouse. Thank you very much to Mrs Gall's dad, who also built our fabulous story chair, for a unique trophy. The first person to receive the new award last Friday was Emily Rowe in y6.*



Well done to Sam Evans who at the Poly's Family Fun Day on Saturday, alongside a pretty cool 3D printed medal awarded to the top ten artists in the 'Fun in Falmouth' competition, won a family entry to the Maritime Museum and a boat trip for the class to St Mawes... and, we hope, back again! Other winners from Marlborough y3 were Ellie Currie, Riley Harris and Lilia Smith – well done to everyone.

### SONGFEST

*Many parents were treated to a wonderful Round the World musical tour at the Princess Pavilions last Thursday evening. As well as taking part in the performance alongside children from Treleigh, Lanner and St Mary's schools, Marlborough was awarded the first of the new Cornwall Singing Schools Awards.*



*Thank you and well done to all the children, Miss Finnegan and Mr Clapp.*



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# ZOLTAN

THE KNIFE SHARPENER

Do you struggle to get your kitchen knives really sharp? Us too!

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March**

**Bring them in to be professionally sharpened on a slow turning wetstone by Zoltan.**

**Zoltan charges 30p/inch of blade. Please bring your knives into the kitchen anytime up until the day, in a sealed bag, labelled with your name (ADULTS ONLY!\*) with enough change to pay in a small named envelope.**

(\* it is illegal for children to bring knives onto school premises, and for adults to do so without good purpose, so we do need to ask you to follow these instructions - thank you!)

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