



An Lester Trumach - The Packet Ship

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Dear Parents and Carers,

The month of June is usually spent celebrating the end of the year and planning ahead for September, arranging transition sessions for our new starters, Year 6 spending time in their secondary school and each class being able to spend time getting to know their new teacher. Transition this year will be very different, the secondary schools have virtual tours of their sites on their websites and our new reception children will have virtual meetings rather than home visits. For those children moving up a year internally we are in the process of developing our 'recovery plan', making sure that September is all about building our confidence in the world and giving children their voice back in the classroom. This will include Elemental sessions for the juniors, Adventure Days and an increase in creativity and play for all classes. As yet, we do not officially know for definite what September will look like, we will have government guidance for the new academic year at some point this week, we will keep you informed so that you are able to plan ahead.

Virtual Sports Day

Thank you to everyone for sending in their **Virtual Sports Day** score sheets, hopefully you managed to join in with some of the fun activities. Any score sheets not yet handed in can be emailed to sport@marlborough.cornwall.sch.uk. The Year 6 adjudicators are busy collating the scores and will announce the scores next week.

End of Year Celebrations

Year 6 Performance

Our Year 6s are working with the magnificent John Brolly from the Minack Theatre putting together an abridged version of *Romeo and Juliet*. They will be developing their understanding of the story and acting skills and filming each group's performance to put together into one film. Those children who are shielding will be involved in the project. After last year's success with *A Midsummer Night's Dream* we are very much looking forward to seeing the outcome!

BF Adventure

Our Year 6s will be heading out of school to BF Adventure for an activity day. Group A will be going on Wednesday 15th of July and Group B on Thursday 16th of July. Parents will need to provide transport to and from BF adventure. Information can be found at: www.bfadventure.org/

Celebration Night

It is impossible for us to come together as a community at the moment so instead we are going to invite you to dress up and celebrate with us from the comfort of your own homes. On **Monday 20th of July** we will be screening, via an emailed link, the Year 6 version of *Romeo and Juliet* and their Leavers' Assembly. After the screening we will have a Zoom Disco, where you can join us in your glad rags and dance around your coffee table. More information on these events will be sent out next week.

Summer Decorating and Refurbishment

Over the summer holidays we will be refreshing the Year 3, 4 and 5 classrooms by painting the rooms and getting them recarpeted. Year 5 will also be getting new tables and chairs.

Medical Updates

Please keep the school informed about any changes to your child's medical needs. Please contact the office for a medical form or to make changes to an asthma care plan.

<http://www.marlborough.cornwall.sch.uk/website>



Government guidance: What parents and carers need to know about schools and other education settings during the coronavirus outbreak

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

Home Learning

Teachers will continue to set home learning tasks on Mondays and will discuss learning and wellbeing with your child on the phone. We have been blown away by your home learning; the creativity, dedication and resourcefulness is astounding. Please follow the link to the sharing platforms on our website:

http://www.marlborough.cornwall.sch.uk/website/home_learning_during_school_closure/476058

Term Dates

The last day of the school year for all pupils will be Tuesday 21st of July. The first two days of the autumn term are INSET days, meaning that children return to school on Monday the 7th of September.

End of Year Reporting

Our end of year reports will have a different appearance this year as children have not been in school during the summer term. Any attainment comments are based upon their learning in school up until March 2020. Reports will be sent home by post on Wednesday 15th of July. Please let the office know if you need an additional report sent to a parent living separately to the child's home address.

School Uniform orders

Castle Sports is now open. They now stock book bags costing £7.50 and PE bags costing £5.00. School uniform order forms are on our website:

https://marlborough.eschools.co.uk/website/dress_code/465790

Free School Meals

If your financial circumstances have changed you may be eligible for Free School Meals. Please follow the link on the Cornwall.gov website to apply: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/education-and-learning/schools-and-colleges/school-meals/application-for-free-school-meals-and-pupil-premium/>

Year 6 Leavers Hoodies

The Year 6s are looking very bright, colourful and proud in their Leavers' Hoodies! The cost for these is £13.20 and this will be added to ParentPay accounts. If you have any difficulties with payment please contact the school office.

#OnlineSafetyAtHome

Online gaming can offer many positive experiences. It can give children and young people the chance to escape into a virtual world, to learn, and to connect with others. However, there is a risk of children and young people viewing inappropriate content in games and being contacted by adults seeking to exploit them. This week, *Think U Know* is providing activity packs for parents and carers to deliver to their children exploring how they can stay safe while gaming: <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

If you or your child encounter online abuse there is an online tool to report directly to the police. Please log onto <https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/> which is part of the Child Exploitation and Online Protection resource. If you keep the resource on your desk top then it can always be used if needed.

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Safeguarding

New safeguarding government guidance for parents and carers came out on Friday.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-keeping-children-safe-from-abuse-and-harm/advice-to-parents-and-carers-on-keeping-children-safe-from-abuse-and-harm>

The current arrangements mean that children can become very vulnerable. If you need any help or support with managing the safety of your own children or you have concerns about other families please continue to talk to us. The school phone number is **01326 314636**.

You can contact the Multi Agency Referral Unit on **0300 1231 116**.

Sustrans Survey

This year we have been working with Nick from the sustainable travel team to increase the number of children scooting, cycling and walking to school. Normally the team carry out a survey at the end of the project but this year they are not able to carry out post surveys in school however they would still very much like to find out about people's travel habits and how Covid-19 has affected how much they walk, scoot and cycle. The Sustrans team have produced a **short online Parent Survey** at

<https://sustrans.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/parent-survey-june-2020> The survey closes on **Sunday 12th July**. The survey responses are anonymous, however, to acknowledge the importance of the results all Cornwall schools that receive a response will be put into a draw to win a Scooterpod for their school.

Elemental

Elemental on Swanpool Beach are opening on July 4th. They will be running a Kids Club throughout the summer starting from the 4th of July.

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It's so easy to take part
Children can sign up to
the easy-to-use website
and create their own
profile at:
sillysquad.org.uk

For more information just go to:
summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

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@SummerReadingChallengeUK

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