



An Lester Trumach - The Packet Ship

2022-2023

Number 19

Wednesday 1st
February 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had some exciting visitors in for **National Storytelling Week**, sharing wonderful tales with children across the school. We aim to instill a love of reading and the process of enjoying books, learning to read and then being able to read and understand them yourself is a magical process that we sometimes take for granted! How amazing is that words on a page can create images in your mind?! We share quality books with children, selected carefully for their age and learning focus. We want children to learn to read with quality resources and therefore our Sponsored Cycle this year is raising money to support our reading provision. **Ride to Read** is the tagline! Children will be bringing home sponsorship forms this week.

Learning Out and About and in School

National Storytelling Week – It is National Storytelling Week and classes have visitors coming in to share stories.

Class 6 Carbon Reduction and Environment Exhibition – Class 6 will be heading to the Princess Pavilion for an exhibition organised by the Rotary Club on Friday 3rd February. Parents are welcome to join them looking at the exhibition from 1pm. **Please can children be collected from the Princess Pavilion at 2pm.**

Class 1 Adventure Club – Class 1 will be venturing outside on Tuesday 7th of February. Please can they wear clothes that they can get wet and muddy and bring their school uniform in for the afternoon.

Class 6 Outcome – Class 6 parents and carers are invited to a party celebrating India on Wednesday 8th February at 2.45pm.

Packet Ship Tournament – On Thursday 9th February, we will be holding our KS2 Packet Ship Tournament. Our chosen sport this half term is walking football.

Class 4 St Piran's Dance – To celebrate St Piran's Day, Class 4 will be working with Vicky Ferguson on Friday, learning a dance for the parade in town. The children will be parading through town on Monday 6th of March, leaving the Moor at 10am.

Mathemagicians Club – Our Maths Club volunteers are running an invitation Mathemagicians Club after school on Friday. Six children have been invited for the first sessions. Many thanks to our Maths Club volunteers!

National Curriculum Tests Meetings – Hannah Bridges and Matt Swiggs will be sharing information about the format of the KS1 and KS2 Statutory Assessment Tests (SATs) which the children will be taking in the summer term. The Class 2 meeting will be on Wednesday 8th February at 3.30pm and Class 2 meeting will be on Thursday 9th February at 3.40pm.

Optional Parent/Carer Consultation Meeting – After half term, teachers are offering optional consultation meetings with parents and carers. An eschools booking link has been emailed by the office. If you have any questions or queries about your child's progress or wellbeing please book an appointment.

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Staffing Update – Kerry Finnegan is off on her Australian adventure from Friday. She will be back in school after the Easter holidays. We all wish Kerry the best of times, whilst also being incredibly envious!

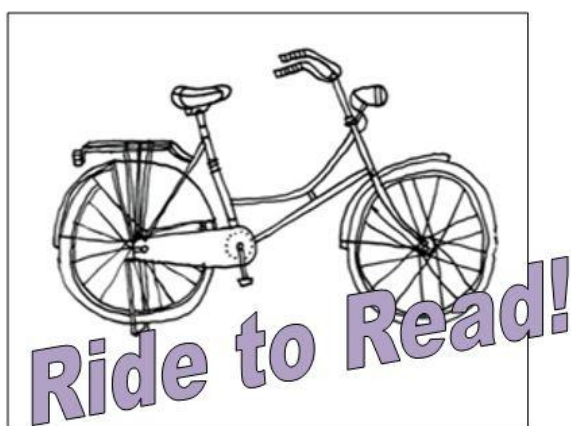
Lost Property – We have a MOUNTAIN of lost property. If it is dry on Friday 10th, we will set it out before and after school. Please label your child's uniform so it doesn't end up in the pile of doom.

Reading Books – Please can any school reading books be returned once read. Our reading books in Classes 1 and 2 also serve as guided reading books, so a lost copy results in children having to share when developing their independent reading.

Mariners' Update

The next Mariners' Meeting is this **Friday 10th February 9am-10am in the hall**; please come along for a cuppa, cake and a chat.

The Mariners are busy organising the **Sponsored Cycle Ride**. If you are able to help in any way please let the Mariners know either at the meeting or by emailing mariners@marlborough.cornwall.sh.uk



Marlborough School's Sponsored Cycle Ride Falmouth Rugby Club Friday 24th March 2023

This has proved to be a great fundraiser and a truly rewarding and enjoyable event in previous years. Open to every child at Marlborough School to cycle, scooter or walk around the rugby pitch, and taking place between 2:15pm – 5pm, hopefully with a cake stall and raffle! This year the Marlborough Mariners are particularly raising money to restock the school library, as well as for other curriculum enhancement activities.

Wrap Club

Plymouth Argyle are providing Breakfast Club and Wrap Club every school day, which can be booked through this link: [Booking Link](#)

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 1st February – School Closed due to Industrial Action

Friday 3rd February – Class 6 to Princess Pavilion – 2pm collection

Wednesday 8th February – Class 2 SATs Meeting, 3.30pm

Thursday 9th February – Class 6 SATs Meeting, 3.40pm

Friday 10th February – Mariners' Coffee Morning

Monday 13th - Friday 17th February – Half Term Holiday

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Marlborough School's Spring Menu

This Week	Next Week
Monday 30th January 1. Mac n Cheese 2. Tomato and Basil Pasta <i>Sides: Wholemeal Focaccia, Vegetables and Salad</i>	Monday 6th February 1. Tomato and Miso Pasta 2. Pesto (allergy free) Pasta <i>Sides: Wholemeal Bread, Vegetables and Salad</i>
Tuesday 31st January 1. Taco Tuesday - Beef Chilli 2. Taco Tuesday - Five Bean Chilli <i>Sides: Soft Wrap, Crispy Tacos, Brown Rice, Shredded Iceberg Lettuce, Salsa, Cheese Vegetables and Salad</i>	Tuesday 7th February 1. Jacket Potato with Tuna & Pilchards, Cheese or Beans 2. Sweetcorn and red Pepper Pancakes <i>Sides: Wholemeal Bread, Coleslaw, Vegetables and Salad</i>
Wednesday 1st February	Wednesday 8th February 1. Veggie Chickpea Curry 2. Tomato and Sesame Soup <i>Sides: Wholemeal Bread, Flatbread, Brown Rice, Vegetables and Salad</i>
Thursday 2nd February 1. Sausages and Mash 2. Veggie Sausages and Mash <i>Sides: Onion Gravy, Wholemeal Bread, Vegetables and Salad</i>	Thursday 9th February 1. Overnight Slow Roasted Ham 2. Lentil Bake with Roasted Squash <i>Sides: Roast Potatoes, Applesauce, Wholemeal Bread, Vegetables and Salad</i>
Friday 3rd February 1. Panko crumbed Fresh Fish of the Day 2. Beetroot and Halloumi Burger <i>Sides: Homemade chips, Homemade Ketchup, Vegetables and Salad</i>	Friday 10th February 1. Oven Crispy Chicken 2. Veggie Bean Burger <i>Sides: Homemade chips, Spiced Mayonnaise, Vegetables and Salad</i>



Industrial Action

Many thanks for your messages of support towards the Industrial Action our staff are choosing to take to support the education of our children. Below is a message from the National Education Union.

A message to parents and carers

Why are teachers going on strike?

TEACHERS WHO ARE members of the National Education Union (NEU) will be taking national strike action on Wednesday 1st February.

We do not want to strike, but the government have given us no choice. We are striking for education and we hope you will support us, despite the inconvenience it will cause.

We are taking strike action because we are concerned that cuts to teachers' pay, and lack of funding for schools, are causing a crisis in education.

- *The value of teachers and support staff pay has fallen by 20% since 2010.*
- *This has caused a crisis in recruitment and retention.*
- *More teachers, and school leaders, than ever are leaving their jobs and*

the government cannot recruit enough teachers to replace them.

- *Funding for schools has not kept in line with rising costs.*
- *This means that:*
 - *many schools face difficulties finding the teachers they need;*
 - *SEND children are not getting the support they need;*
 - *Schools are spending less on important equipment and resources;*
 - *schools are cutting back on extra-curricular clubs and classes.*

This cannot go on, for the sake of education the government must change its policy on pay and funding.

We have tried talking to the government - we have provided evidence about this crisis to them year after year, but they have ignored our warnings.

That is why we have reluctantly made the decision to take strike action.

We are calling on the government to increase pay for teachers and support staff, but they must also increase funding for schools.

We are asking parents and carers to:

- **support** our strike action and our campaign to boost funding for education.
- **talk** to teachers at your child's school to find out more about our campaign and how you can support us.
- **contact** your MP and local councillors and tell them that you support NEU members taking strike action.



Campaigning for children and education

For more information visit www.neu.org.uk

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