

Number 10

18th November 2020

## An Lester Trumach

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

We are really missing the community aspect of school at the moment, at this time of year the children would usually be inviting families in to share their learning and children across the school would be working together getting ideas ready for Christmas performances. In these isolating times it is vital that we continue to support each other and keep communication open in order to care for our community. Although our staff are having to keep their physical distance from adults we are not distanced in our care and concern for the wellbeing of our children and families. Please continue to use the <u>office@marlborough.cornwall.sch.uk</u> email address or call us on 01326 314636 if you have any worries, problems or solutions that you want to share.

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**The Packet Ship** 

#### Covid Update

Our Class 5 pupils and staff are currently isolating due to a positive test result for Covid. Whilst non symptomatic children are isolating the rest of the household can carry on as normal, however the isolating child must stay at home for the full isolation period. Parents of pupils in Class 5 have been asked to closely monitor the health of their children; if they develop Covid symptoms the whole household must isolate and the symptomatic child needs a Covid test.

The class are managing their home learning marvellously and are meeting virtually with Mrs Gall at the beginning of the day to find out what they have to do and at the end of the day to share what they have done and listen to their class novel.

Since the positive case was reported to school we have had external cleaners in to disinfect shared areas around the school and Class 5's room.

#### Covid Cases, Symptoms and Testing

Please can we ask parents to keep communicating with us regarding symptoms, isolation, track and trace app isolation and testing. If a member of your household shows symptoms of Covid then the whole household needs to isolate. Please do not send your child to school if someone in your household has symptoms.

#### **Notice of Parent Governor Election**

All parents should have received an email with a link to a Parent Govenor Election voting form. Please contact the school office if you have not received the link.

#### Dear parent(s)/carer(s),

The recent invitation for nominations for the vacancy for a parent governor received 3 candidates.

As we have more candidates than vacancies, we must now hold a ballot.

Each parent has one vote for each vacancy to be filled, irrespective of the number of children they have at the school; no parent can cast more than one vote for any one candidate.

You should:

- Read the candidate statements
- Follow the link to the voting form and cast your vote by midday on 27th November 2020.

If you require a paper ballot form, please let me know and I will arrange for the school office to issue one to you.

If you have any queries about this process, please contact me at <u>alex.gov@marlborough.cornwall.sch.uk</u>

#### Children in Need and Hello Yellow Day

Many thanks to families for supporting both Children in Need and Hello Yellow this term. As a community we raised £185.62 for Hello Yellow and £246.93 for Children in Need.



#### Learning Out and About and In School

At the beginning of term, dates of shared outcomes were given optimistically in the Curriculum Information leaflets. Our outcomes this term are being adapted by class teachers so that children can share this term's learning with their families at home.

**Class 1's Mad Hatter's Tea Party** – Class 1 were supposed to be inviting families in for a Mad Hatter's Tea Party however families will get the chance to have their own tea party at home. On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> of November Class 1 pupils will be bringing home a tea-party-in-a-bag and a film of the children's learning will be sent to parents and carers.

**Sharing Inside School with the Outside World** – One of the items identified in our governor monitoring process this term is that parents would like to know more about what is going on in classrooms. Each week the newsletter will provide a snapshot of learning around the school and this week we have added photos of art and design displays at the end of this newsletter.

#### **Remote Learning**

As part of our Contingency Plan, teachers are ready to support home learning.

We have plans in place in case pupils need to remain at home due to a positive Covid-19 result. Essentially, in order to ensure continuity, class teachers and teaching assistants will support your child's learning through daily contact via virtual meetings, emails and learning platforms. The government have raised the expectation that if a child is isolating and is still well that they should be working for the whole school day, following a similar timetable to the one offered in schools.

#### **Christmas Celebrations**

**The Christmassy Christmas Show of Christmassy Christmasness** – Squashbox Theatre will be in school entertaining all of our children with this festive show on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> of December. Performances will be delivered to two classes at a time to enable distancing of our class bubbles.

**Christmas Dinner** – The kitchen will be preparing a delicious Christmas dinner, complete with sprouts and crackers on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> of December.

**Silly Santa's Sponsored Walk** – On the 17<sup>th</sup> of December the whole school will be raising money for Cornwall Hospice Care by taking part in a Silly Santa Sponsored Walk. If children are able to raise at least £7.50 each they will receive a Santa suit to keep (Reception pupils will be elves!) and a fun Santa medal. The charity are asking that each child raises a minimum sponsorship of £7.50 in aid of Cornwall Hospice Care - but more would be fantastic! Every £20 raised will fund an hour of our nursing care. Last year 13 schools took part and between them they funded 650 hours of nursing care which is EPIC!

#### Pupil Premium funding

The Local Authority are giving vouchers to pupils eligible for Free School Meals over the Christmas holidays. This will be £15 per pupil per week. More details of this will be given by the LA nearer the time.

A reminder that Pupil Premium pupils are now able to join Breakfast Club for free.

If you think you may be eligible for funding you can either ask for a form at the office or follow the link to complete an application: <u>https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schoolmeals</u>

#### Winter Coat Bank

**Love Falmouth** are making sure all Falmouth children are warm this winter by providing a bank of winter coats. If you would like to collect a coat from the coat bank they are offering personalised shopping slots due to Covid restrictions. Please contact the team at <a href="https://www.lovefalmouth@gmail.com">lovefalmouth@gmail.com</a> or 01326 617240 to book an appointment.

If you've got a high quality, second hand coat (aged 4-11) and would like to support families in need in Falmouth, we'd love to give your coat a new home!

We are accepting donations of high quality, second hand or new coats.

If you'd like to donate/contribute to our project, visit our social media pages for more information.

#### Starting School 2021

If you have a child born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 then you are able to apply for a school place through Cornwall Admissions. The deadline for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. The application form can be found at <u>www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions</u>

#### Jigsaw Donations

Class 1 are in need of any 30 to 150 piece complete jigsaw puzzles. If anyone has one they would be willing to donate to the class that would be wonderful!

#### Sock Donation

Our Reception class are running out of spare socks. If you have any spares that would fit age 4 or 5 they would be greatly apprieciated in school. Thanks.

#### Marlborough Mariners Pot Plant Drive

As Autumn strips the landscape of colour and greenery we would like to ask parents and carers to donate a pot plant and pot to their child's class room, to make the space more inviting and green. The children will look after the plants. This will not only provide some cosiness but also increase calmness in the classroom, making minds more focused. If any donations could be brought in to school before the end of November the plants can also be given some Christmas bling in the classroom! Many thanks.



### Marlborough Kitchen

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	Sausages and Wedges
	Veg Sausages and Wedges
	Roast Veg and Potato Fritatta
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	Homemade Fishcakes
	Veg Chickpea Curry
	Egg Mayo Rolls
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Pizza Margarita
	Roast Sweet Potato and Spinach Pizza
	Carrot and Ginger Soup
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Pork Ragu
	Lentil Ragu
	Smoked Mackerel Pate Open Sarnies
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	Jacket Potato
	Sweetcorn and Red Pepper Pancakes
	Cheese Rolls
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> November	Beef Chilli
	Bean Chilli
	Hummus and Breadsticks
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> November	Fishfingers and Wedges
	Veggie Burger and Wedges
	Tomato and Sesame Soup

#### Dates for the diary

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November – Class 3 Adventure Club (am only) Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> December – Reception Adventure Club (am only) Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December – Class 1 Adventure Club (am only) Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> December – Class 2 Adventure Club (am only) Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Dinner Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December – Silly Santa Sponsored Walk Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December – Last day of Autumn Term Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January – INSET day Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Children back to school, Start of Spring Term



#### NEW Coaches and Players Wanted

Do you have a son or daughter currently in the Reception year group that wants to start playing football next season??

Falmouth United are looking to start the next generation of footballers on their football journey. To do this we need new coaches and players for next seasons new under 6 team.

If you are interested in coaching youth football or your son or daughter want to start playing, then please get in touch.

> For more information contact: Chris Wood Tel: 07779606589 Email: fufcvicechairman1@gmail.com

# **Art and Design Displays Around School**



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