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Dear Parents and Carers,

This Friday is Hello Yellow day, with children and adults across the country raising awareness and funds to support young people's mental health. The mental wellbeing of our pupils is always paramount and we have provision in place for pupils who need support regulating and being able to talk about their emotions. We have adopted a whole school Personal, Social and Health Education programme called Jigsaw, where all children are given regular chances to reflect, explore and talk about their feelings. Our Recovery Curriculum, Woodland School, music therapy, Adventure Club and other small group interventions all allow children to develop self confidence and self worth and this, alongside our whole school ethos of support, encouragement and joy, mean that children should be able to grow into confident citizens aware of ways to nurture their own mental wellbeing.

# Learning Out and About and In School

Dyslexia Week - This week is Dyslexia Week and the focus is all about what dyslexia creates. Dyslexia creates artists, entrepreneurs and game changers, but we know that it also creates challenges. We will have an assembly to come together to learn about dyslexia and the positive impact dyslexia creates.

Screech Owl Sanctuary Visit - As Class 2 are learning all about Enchanted Woodlands they are having a visit from some very friendly owls this afternoon. Class 1 and Reception will also be meeting the owls and getting to know some owl facts.

Class 4 Art Gallery Visit – Class 4 will be heading to Falmouth Art Gallery tomorrow, Thursday 8<sup>th</sup>, to take part in a workshop and study the current exhibition. The gallery will be closed to the general public.

Class 1 Allotment Walk - On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> of October, Class 1 will be heading off site for a walk around the allotments, looking at the different plants that are growing.

**#HelloYellow day -** On Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> of October our School Parliament have decided to support the Hello Yellow campaign to raise awareness and funds to support young people's mental health on World Mental Health Day. Pupils can come to school in non-uniform, wearing yellow. Pupils can also bring in a £1 donation to their classroom.

Class 6 Adventure Club - On Tuesday 13th October our Year 6 pupils will be adventuring in Tregoniggie Woods carrying out a maths orienteering challenge.

Class 1 Falmouth Art Gallery Visit - On Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> of October Class 1 will be walking down to Falmouth Art Gallery, studying the exhibition and taking part in an art workshop. The gallery will be closed to the general public.

Singing Sessions – After taking part in Covid safety training we are excited to start singing with Jade Stewart-Tribe again. Jade will be developing singing with Class 6 over the next few weeks, focusing on songs from World War 2. Groups will be no bigger than 15 pupils and singing will take place outside.

Class 1 Geography Walk – Class 1 are looking at human and physical features of our local environment on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> of October in the afternoon.

**Class 5 Adventure Club** – Class 5 will be heading out on an adventure for the afternoon on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

Class 5 Famouth Art Gallery Visit- Class 5 are taking part in an automata workshop and exploring the exhibition on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> of October. The class will be there all day and children will need a packed lunch.

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# Marlborough Curriculum Update

Adventure Club – Reception, Class 1 and Class 2 have all taken part in an Adventure Club afternoon session led by Louise Tremewan, our resident adventurer! We are linking our curriculum with the local environment, developing awareness of our locality and understanding our important place in the world. So far, Reception have created dens on the field for Captain Redbeard's pirate crew, Year 1 have explored Tregonnigie Woods following a treasure trail set by the Gruffalo and Class 2 have looked at habitats around the lake and at Swanpool beach.

**Woodland School** - Louise Tremewan is working with groups of children on the school site as part of our Woodland School provision.

**Illustrated Curriculum** - We have been busy developing the **Learning** section of our website, ensuring it includes our wonderful *Illustrated Curriculum* and shows the development of learning across the school. Please have a look at our new **Learning** section through this link: <a href="https://marlborough.eschools.co.uk/website/learning/7819">https://marlborough.eschools.co.uk/website/learning/7819</a>

### Parent Telephone Consultations

Parent Telephone Consultations are happening this week. These are intended to be short catch up conversations to discuss how your child has settled in to the school year. If a follow up conversation is needed this can be arranged. Class teachers may call from their own phones and therefore it will appear as No Caller ID/Caller Unknown on your phone.

### **Governor Monitoring**

Our governors are passionate about improving outcomes for all of our pupils and as part of their monitoring they would like to talk to parents about the provision made during remote learning and how your family have felt about the return to school. Please let the office or Abi Squibb know if you would be able to have a phone conversation with governors to help our monitoring process. Thank you.

#### **Covid Updates**

**Reception Collection**: On Fridays the reception children will follow the Year 6 pupils leaving and will be out at 2.10pm.

Please let us know of any improvements you think we could make to keep the school site safe and calm. **Contingency Plan:** We have plans in place in case a class bubble, bubbles or the whole school needs to remain at home due to a positive Covid-19 result. This plan will be sent out to all parents this week but essentially, in order to ensure continuity, class teachers and teaching assistants will support your child's learning through daily contact via virtual meetings and learning platforms.

#### **Tempest Photo Sessions**

There are some changes to the Tempest photo sessions this year due to Covid-19. They will only take photographs of individual children and not family groups. Can all pupils wear school uniform on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October, even those children who would usually come into school in PE kits. Thank you.

#### Marlborough Kitchen

The kitchen staff have been delighted to see so many of our Year 3 to 6 pupils having school meals but we need more customers! As our kitchen is our own on-site business we need to ensure we are financially viable and every meal booked helps us to maintain this unique and amazing provision. Leftovers are often sold from the kitchen door from 3pm; if you would like to purchase leftovers for £1 please wave at the window and the wonderful kitchen team will come to the door.

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### Dogs on the School Site

Some of our younger pupils are building their confidence with dogs and can find dogs at the school gate quite intimidating. Please can you continue to tie any dogs up at the railings across the road and not at the front gates. Many thanks.

## Breakfast Club

Breakfast Club is running every school day. It starts at 7.45am and costs £2.00 per pupil. Booking forms have been emailed out and paper copies can be collected from the school office. In order to reduce the mixing of pupils from within different bubbles, pupils eat their breakfast with other children from their class group.

#### **Parking**

Many thanks to the school community for making sure Ferndale Road is clear of traffic and remains safe for children entering school. Many familes are walking, scooting and cycling to school which makes for a happier and healthier start to the day. If families are driving to school please park either on Silverdale Road or at the lake and enjoy a stroll through the autumn leaves.

### Flu Immunisations

Today is the last day for signing up for a flu immunisation. If you would like your child to have the immunisation please complete the online form sent to you. Kernow Health are happy to answer any queries regarding the process.

### Foodbank Donations

During the month of October we will be taking in donations for the Foodbank as part of our harvest celebration. A box will be at the front of the school for any donations. Many thanks.

### 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>

# Dates for the diary

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October – Class 4 to Famouth Art Gallery (am only) Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October – Class 1 Allotment Visit (pm only) Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October – #Hello Yellow Day Monday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Flu Immunisations Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October – Class 6 Adventure Club (pm) Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October – Mariners Zoom Meeting 8pm Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Class 1 to Falmouth Art Gallery (am only) Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Tempest Photos (Individual) Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Class 5 Adventure Club (pm) Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Class 5 to Falmouth Art Gallery (all day) Monday 26<sup>th</sup> - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Half term break Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November - Back to School

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