



Number 5

An Lester Trumach - The Packet Ship

8 October 2018

Dear Parents,

It's been a great couple of weeks for the school community and good to see the high profile Marlborough Mariners' support has played.

We celebrated another special Apple Day at Marlborough on Friday. It was difficult to get into the hall for the early stages and there was still a queue for the apple bobbing when we closed at the end of the day! We also saw some impressive entries to all the various apple competitions. The results for these are:



Apple Pie	Suki				
Longest Peel	1 st	Ellie May Bullen		242cm	
	2 nd	Tula Walker		232cm	
	3 rd	Bea Finlay		221cm	
Biggest Apple	Mia Pu	iente Chapman			
Quiz	Theo Ward				
Apple Decoration	Talulah Songoro				

Each of the winners will receive a £10 book token and a special Apple Day medal at our celebration assembly this week. Thank you to Kath Statham. It was her last time of leading the event and as ever she put in an enormous amount of effort beforehand that so evidently paid off. She'll be sorely missed and a hard act to follow, although I'm sure there must be someone willing and able to take on this fantastic occasion, and now well established school tradition, into the future!?

The follow up for the Sponsored Cycle ride has continued apace. Thank you for your hard work in collecting sponsorship and the generosity of donations given. The 'deadline' to be included in the Biking for Books total is next Wednesday, 17th October 2018. We will then sum up all the monies collected and let everyone know the final amount before the half term break.

Marlborough Mariners

Thanks to Jon Statham for rooting out his original design for the Mariners: the sextant, incorporating the MM cypher in its design represents the support of you as parents in finding a way forward for the school family, both in funding and social events. There is an open invitation to all parents to the Falmouth Townhouse for a Mariners' meeting this Wednesday, 10th October at 20:00. Please remember, every parent member of the mariners and that this is one opportunity to get involved in the school family organisation; there are plenty of others ahead, as you are free to take part in as many or as few of the projects as you wish. Our aim has always been to keep the organisation as friendly and informal as possible. The old 'constitution' on our website may now be out of date – certainly the past 'class rep' system didn't prevent us falling a little quiet for a while. It's great to see

HELPING FIND A WAY everyone back on board – so come and make some noise for us!

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The Autumn Term always seems to set off with a bang and with the Bike Ride and Apple Day behind us we now find ourselves in **Falmouth Oyster Festival** week! The **Grand Oyster Parade** talks place on Friday and children will also be representing us at the opening ceremony on Thursday.



The Parade starts from the Moor at 15:00, so schools have been asked to assemble from 14:30. We will set off straight after school and any parents able to accompany the children with their dragons would be very welcome. Please let us know at the office. The aim is for us to have each Packet Ship represented with dragon dancers – please confirm if your child is taking part – obviously we need to know for health and safety reasons, but it would also be helpful if they are able to practice beforehand! Thank you to those whose children have volunteered to lead with the circus skills – we began rehearsals today!

The schools will process to Events Square where children can be collected from around 15:45.

The treat for me on Apple Day afternoon was to be a joint judge for the Apple Pie competition. It was, however, an incredibly difficult task – I don't think I've heard the exclamation "delicious" so often in one afternoon before!

In the end, Suki's original design of a bouquet of apple flavoured roses won the day. This takes nothing from the superb presentation and beautiful flavours everyone else's efforts brought and we'd like to offer all the contestants the opportunity to prepare and cook apple pies for a school dinner. We'll send further details once we've planned the day!

Something that everyone very considerately observed for the competition was that for safety reasons we have to be a nut free school. This means that no nuts, or food with nut content,

are served by the school, none should be brought into school either for break in school time or as a pre-club snack. In fact, please send only enough food (fruit or items recommended on the healthy packed lunch poster) to 'put children on'. Some clubs can find themselves working around something of a midnight feast at times! Birthday cakes and food donations are similarly bound by our nut free status. Thank you.



Netball interpacket tournament result:

1 st	Freeling	35
2 nd	Pelham	26
3 rd	Walsingham	22
4 th	Chichester	21
5 th	Swiftsure	17
6 th	Fox	12

And interschools: Marlborough 6 Falmouth Primary 3

Packet Points									
This week			Total						
1 st	Walsingham	38	7	1 st	Pelham	18			
2 nd	Fox	20	5	2 nd	Swiftsure	17			
3 rd	Swiftsure	19	4	3 rd	Freeling	16			
4 th	Pelham	18	3	4 th	Fox	15			
5 th	Freeling	15	2	5 th	Walsingham	13			
6 th	Chichester	14	1	6 th	Chichester	11			

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