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An Lester Trumach - The Packet Ship

11th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have all been inspired by our **Week of Words** and feedback from the pupils shows that the array of activities has fired their creativity! Dance sessions, art workshops, drama exploration, Packet Ship Picture Book sessions, visiting authors and screen writers were all a big hit and the pupils have asked for another similar week soon. We are looking forward to working with the Minack Theatre practitioners again in the summer term to develop another **Play in a Week**, inspiring our writers and wordsmiths. Thank you to all of the Surprise Storytellers for reading stories at the end of each day; we had tortoises, babies, firefighters, parents and grandparents being positive reading role models.

Curriculum Enhancement

Songfest Choir Performance

Our school choir have been busy working with Miss Finnegan on a modern set of songs. Ten of the choir members have been chosen to sing at Songfest tomorrow at the Princess Pavillion. As only a few choir members are able to sing at Songfest we will be holding our own concert in school this Friday 13th March at 1.30pm with all of the choir members performing. Parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Big Dig

This Friday is Big Dig Day! There are still a few days to get resources and donations in to school if you have any. Pupils **do not need to wear school uniform on Friday** but they do need to be warm, waterproof and able to get muddy.

Cabinet Group to Falmouth Council Chambers

Four members of our Cabinet group are going to meet with the mayor at Falmouth Council Chambers on Friday to share our Parliament structure and current projects that each group are working on.

Class 1 Truro Visit

As part of their 'Around Town' topic, Class 1 will be heading to Truro on Wednesday 18th of March to identify the differences between towns and cities. They will be travelling to Truro by train, visiting the cathedral and museum and returning to school by coach. More information has been sent out.

Spring Term Outcome Dates

Class 1 - *Around Town* Exhibition - Monday 23rd March at 2.30pm (Chichester, Swiftsure and Fox) and Wednesday 25th March at 2.30pm (Walsingham, Freeling and Pelham)

Class 2 – *A Cornish Life* Exhibition – Friday 20th March at 11am

Class 3 – *The Street Beneath Our Feet* Assembly – Tuesday 24th March at 2.30pm

Class 4 – *Rocking Romans*- The Musical! - Thursday 19th March at 2.30pm

Class 5 – *Polar Explorers* Exhibition - Friday 27th March at 9am

Class 6 – *Rags, Riches and Realms* Exhibition - Friday 27th March at 9am

Parent Consultation Meetings

This is a great time for parents and teachers to meet and discuss their child's progress so far and look at future targets. Your child's class teacher may have contacted you with an appointment request otherwise you can always ask to meet with them via the office email: office@marlborough.cornwall.sch.uk

St Piran's Parade

Well done to Class 4 for proving that they are excellent waterproof dancers! They led the St Piran's Parade around town, keeping smiles on their faces despite the sudden bad weather. They were incredibly resilient and warmed up at the Methodist Church with story telling, saffron buns and squash.

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Department for Education Coronavirus helpline

The DfE have launched a new helpline to answer questions about COVID-19 related to education. Staff, parents and young people can contact the helpline as follows:

Phone: 0800 046 8687

Email: DfE.coronavirushelpline@education.gov.uk

Opening hours: 8am to 6pm (Monday to Friday)

An accompanying poster (alongside this newsletter) has more information.

Mariners News

Clothes and Toys Swap

The mariners are organising a children's clothes and toys swap session in the school hall from 2.30pm until 4.30pm on Thursday 16th of April. Please can any donations be brought in to school on the morning of the swap.

September Sponsored Cycle Meeting

There will be a meeting to discuss the September Sponsored Cycle ride on **Wednesday 18th of March at 2pm**. Please come along if you can help with the organisation of this event in any way.

Sponsors Needed for September Sponsored Cycle

Calling all families with businesses! A great opportunity to support the school and advertise your business at the same time. After the success of the 2018 sponsored cycle ride, the Marlborough Mariners are organising another for the Autumn of 2020! For £100 your business logo will be featured on the back of all the Packet Ship coloured T-shirts which will then be sold for children to wear during the event (and for many years afterwards too!)

Cake Bake

Parents and carers of pupils in Reception Class and Year 6 are being asked to make cakes for a Friday cake Bake on the 20th of March. Cake Bakes raise money to enhance the curriculum. The last cake bake raised funds to provide a class set of recorders so that all children can learn a tuned instrument as part of their music sessions. We are now looking at buying outside seating so that learning can be taken outside as the weather gets nicer.

Spring Flower Show 2020

There are sign up forms in the foyer for the upcoming Falmouth Spring Flower Show which takes place later on this month. All information on what you need to do to take part is on the form. Please take one if interested – anyone at the school can take part (ages 4-16.) The closing date for entries is the 22nd of March.

Craftivism Event and Exhibition

Our Marlborough School banner quoting Greta Thunberg- 'No one is too small to make a difference' will be on display at Falmouth Art Gallery as part of the *One Year of Street Craftivism* exhibition from Saturday 21st of March. Anyone who took part in the club is welcome to attend the opening event from 12pm until 2pm.

Yellow Fish Campaign

In the summer, the whole school are going to be part of the design team creating a mural to be displayed on the fence along the footpath leading down from Marlborough Avenue to Meadowside Road. This will be in conjunction with the Yellow Fish Campaign, encouraging wildlife back into the stream from Tregonigge all the way to Swanpool. They need mural painters to work alongside the Year 6 pupils who will be helping with the project. If you are able to help with the mural design please speak to Abi Squibb who will pass your details on to Claire Lewis and Jacqui Owen who are leading the project.

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Dates for the diary

Thursday 12th March (TOMORROW) – Songfest at Princess Pavillion, 7pm

Friday 13th March – Big Dig

Friday 13th March – 1.30pm Songfest Choir Performance to Parents and School

Wednesday 18th March – Year 1 City Visit to Truro

Wednesday 18th March – Sponsored Cycle Meeting

Thursday 19th March – Reception Class in town for Paint The Town Yellow Day

Wednesday 25th March – Class 5 to the National Maritime Museum Cornwall

Friday 27th March – Tempest Class and Sports Team photos

Monday 30th March to 13th April – Easter Holidays

Tuesday 14th April – Back to School, Start of the Summer Term

| Packet Points | | | | | | |
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| This week score table | | | | Termly score table | | |
| Position | Team | Weekly Points | Weekly Score | Position | Team | Termly Score |
| 1 st | Walsingham | 294 | 7 | 1 st | Swiftsure | 80 |
| 2 nd | Freeling | 224 | 5 | 2 nd | Walsingham | 70 |
| 3 rd | Pelham | 219 | 4 | 3 rd | Chichester | 64 |
| 4 th | Swiftsure | 212 | 3 | 4 th | Pelham | 53 |
| 5 th | Chichester | 169 | 2 | 5 th | Freeling | 48 |
| 6 th | Fox | 168 | 1 | 6 th | Fox | 40 |

We are delighted to announce:
'The Marlborough Big Dig!'
in conjunction with **Sports Relief!**

On Friday there will be a variety of outdoor activities and projects for the children which will take place within the school grounds and on the school field.

We will be welcoming donations and volunteers! There will be a donations box in the school foyer, or please leave inside of infant gate by the willow 'dome' (to left of main entrance). **Thank you.**

Here is a list of some of the things we would ideally like:

- Plants, especially flowers and herbs, vegetable plug plants
- Summer flowering bulbs and seeds
- Seed trays
- Large plant pots
- Utensils for our mud kitchen (whisks, spoons, pans etc)
- Suitable branches for den building
- Wooden spoons (to decorate for Falmouth Spring Flower Show)
- Flat pebbles (to decorate for Falmouth Spring Flower Show)
- Sticks for our 'invention using sticks' activity - from biggish to littelish sticks, and different types of plant material...
- Old white sheets - for painting on
- Old colourful clothes/rags



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