

Number 8

3rd November 2021

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you managed to have a restorative break. We know many of you are being affected by the current Covid situation but hopefully the school holiday will have acted as a small circuit breaker for transmission. This upcoming half term is the busiest of the year; combining quality teaching and learning with preparation for celebrations. Luckily, the children have come back with their 'can do' attitude, looking forward to developing their skills and knowledge whilst supporting each other as a community. Our PSHE topic this half term is all about Celebrating Differences and the children have been reflecting this week on appreciating uniqueness. We are very lucky to have such a unique bunch of individuals at Marlborough!

The Packet Ship

Covid Update

At the end of last half term we had an outbreak of positive Covid cases in Class 5. Some children are still isolating and recovering. The rest of the children continue to attend school as normal but we are asking families to be extra vigilant with identifying symptoms and to book a PCR test if symptoms occur.

Asymptomatic Testing

Staff are carrying out twice weekly Lateral Flow Tests to identify asymptomatic Covid cases and this is offered to all adults who live in a household with children. The Lateral Flow Tests can be obtained from <u>order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests</u> or for free from local pharmacies.

Contact Tracing

NHS Test & Trace will make contact with the parent or carer following a PCR positive result to complete contact tracing. Close contacts will now be routinely identified by NHS Test and Trace and provided with advice. This advice will include a one off PCR test for close contacts. Children who are close contacts identified by NHS Test and Trace can continue to attend their setting but it is now recommended they undertake a daily LFD test whilst they await their PCR result.

Symptoms of COVID-19

A high temperature AND/OR a new/continuous cough (this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours) AND/OR a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste.

Social Distancing and Mask Wearing

Please can adults continue to observe social distancing and wear masks when on the school site. Communication With School

Please continue to keep us informed of symptoms and positive LFT and/or PCR results. Please email <u>office@marlborough.cornwall.sch.uk</u> at any time of day or night to report updates.

Learning Out and About and In School

Class 4 and Class 6 Diwali Workshop – Charlotte from Inspirasian Dance will be working with Class 4 and Class 6 on Thursday 4th of November to create a dance to celebrate Diwali. If the weather is dry, parents and carers are invited to watch the dance at 3.15pm in the playground.



Spacedome in School – Classes 5 and 6 will have the amazing opportunity of learning more about space in the magnificent Spacedome on Thursday 11th of November.

Reception Parent Consultations – Parent Consultations for reception parents will take place during the week of the 15th of November. A flyer on how to book your meeting has now gone out.

P.E Sessions – This half term children continue to come into school in their PE kits on the day that they have a PE session. Reception children have PE on Tuesdays with Mrs Pryer but they get changed in school to develop their motor skills and independence.

Monday – Class 1 and Class 6

Tuesday – Class 2 with Mrs Pryer Wednesday – Class 5

Thursday – Class 3 and Class 4 with Plymouth Argyle

Autumn Term Outcomes

| | Outcome | Date |
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| Class 1 | Mad Hatter's Tea Party | Tuesday 23 rd November @ 2.30pm |
| Class 2 | Kimberley Park Tour | Monday 15 th November @ 2pm |
| Class 3 | Fair Trade Shop and Exhibition | Friday 10 th December @ 8.45am |
| Class 4 | Ancient Egyptian Museum | Monday 6 th December @ 2.30pm |
| Class 5 | Heavenly Bodies Exhibition | Friday 10 th December @ 8.45am |
| Class 6 | VE Day Party | Thursday 25 th November @ 2.45pm |

Autumn Term Clubs

There are still some spaces left in some of our clubs. If you would like your child to join a club please email office@marlborough.comwall.sch.uk

| Day | Club | Last Date of Club | Lead By | Year Groups | Time | Cost |
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| Monday | Karate | 06/12/2021 | Kay Banks | 2,3,4,5,6 | 15:30 – 16:30 | TBC |
| Monday | Coding Club | 06/12/2021 | Mr Gimenez | 4 + 5 | 15:30 – 16:30 | £0 |
| Tuesday | Netball | 07/12/2021 | Mrs Pryer + Mrs V | 4,5+6 | 15.30 – 16.30 | £0 |
| Wednesday | Drama | 08/12/2021 | Miss Squibb | 3,4+5 | 15:30 – 16:15 | £0 |
| Wednesday | Choir | 8/12/2021 | Miss Finnegan | 3,4,5+6 | 15:30 – 16:15 | £0 |
| Thursday | Multi Sports | 09/12/2021 | PAFC | 3,4,5+6 | 15:30 – 16:30 | £38.50 |
| Thursday | Craft and Create | 09/12/2021 | Mrs Gall | 5 + 6 | 15:30 – 16:45 | £0 |
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Scholastic Book Fair

We have the Scholastic Book Fair in school next week. Details about timings and brochures will be sent out tomorrow along with a Reading Newsletter.

Good Luck

Good luck to Camilla and Riley G who are performing at the Royal Albert Hall in the Cornwall County Choir tonight as part of the Music for Youth concert. What an experience!

Christmas Performances

Reception, Class 1 and Class 2's *The Big Little Nativity* will be performed on 14th and 15th of December at 5.30pm and on 15th December in the afternoon at 2.15pm.

This year **Classes 3 to 6** are doing something a bit different. We have been selected by Trebah Gardens to create a **Garden of Lights Parade**. We are one of three schools to work with artists to create structures for the gardens. We will have Trebah Gardens to ourselves on **Thursday 9th of December from 4.30pm** and children will lead a parade and perform scenes along the way for our families to watch. The whole garden will be illuminated by professional artists and lighting designers leading down to a fireside beach food offer and mince pies. More details will follow after the meeting with the Trebah team.

Christmas Tree Festival

Marlborough Choir have been asked to open the Christmas Tree Festival at Princess Pavilion this year. Craft and Create club are making decorations for our tree. **Please could Mrs Gall have any small plastic pop bottles, bottle tops & CDs to create recycled decorations?** Many thanks.

Marlborough Choir

Marlborough Choir are meeting for the first time this evening and they already have two gigs lined up! Not only are they opening the **Christmas Tree Festival** on Sunday 28th November at 5pm, they will also be performing at the **Falmouth Christmas Lights Switch On** on Thursday 25th of November. Save the dates Choiristers!

LAST CALL FOR ENTRIES - Mayor's Christmas Card Competition

Steve Eva, our Mayor, has asked Marlborough pupils to design a Christmas card to be used by the town council. The winnings designers get £100 to put towards any aspect of school life, copies of their card to use and their first name on the back of the printed card. Entries need to be handed in to the office by Friday. We are looking forward to seeing your creative ideas!

Mariners' Christmas Fundraising

This week your child should have brought home their Christmas artwork with an order form for cards, coasters, mugs etc. **Completed forms need to be returned by Friday 5th of November with either cash or cheques made payable to Marlborough Mariners.** Please can each order payment be made seperately as the payment is sent per class rather than per family. Many thanks.

Dates for the Diary

Thursday 4th November – Class 6 London Residential Meeting; 3.45pm Thursday 4th November – Classes 4 and 6 Diwali Dance workshop – performance at 3.15pm. Monday 8th -12th November – Scholastic Book Fair Thursday 11th November – Space Dome Tuesday 7th December – Cinderella at the Hall for Cornwall. Thursday 9th December – Garden of Lights Parade at Trebah Gardens at 4.30pm Tuesday 14th December – Reception, Class 1 and Class 2 Nativity at 5.30pm Wednesday 15th December – Reception, Class 1 and Class 2 Nativity at 2.15pm and 5.30pm



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