

Number 07

Wednesday 23rd October 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

An Lester Trumach

This first half term has gone by in a flash! Eight weeks of busy learning means that children are now feeling confident in their year groups and happy to give their best efforts to learning new concepts. We are very proud of the educational offer that the children get here; our curriculum is carefully planned and adults support learning in such a way that children thrive. Our teaching team are doing the absolute best job they can within the restraints of our budget. Nationally, teaching is in crisis due to school's funding so, hopefully, change is around the corner. Our assessments at the end of last academic year showed that, on average, our children are achieving above the national standard and making accelerated progress during their time here. By prioritising the wellbeing of our children, we are giving them the space to learn.

The Packet Ship

Learning Out and About and in School

REMINDER: Events marked with VC indicate that voluntary contribution payments have been added to Parent Pay.

Whole School Autumn Stomp – *TOMORROW at 10am! Please come along for a walk with us!* We will all be heading out for a walk down to Swanpool Lake, through Prislow Woods, up past the allotments and back to school for playtime. Children need to wear their school uniform, with a waterproof coat and wellies.

Class 2 Outcome – Class 2 families are invited to Kimberley Park this afternoon at 2.15pm for a tour led by their children. Please meet at school (at 1:45pm) if you are able to accompany the class walking to Kimberley Park.

School Closed for INSET training Friday 25th October – Please remember that school is closed this Friday for staff training.

Class 4 Residential Meeting – Families from Class 4 are invited to find out information about the BF Residential on Wednesday 6th November at 3.30pm.

Class 6 Residential Meeting – Families from Class 6 are invited to find out information about the London Residential on Thursday 7th November at 3.30pm.

Staffing Update

Jenny Hart will be off school for a while, due to health issues. We wish her all the best over the next few months. Jasmine Fazakerley will be covering Jenny's role in Reception Class while she is off. Ella Lee, our Class 3 teacher, will be covering Kerry Finnegan in Class 1 on Wednesday mornings for the rest of this academic year.



Attendance and Punctuality this week!

<u>Class 3</u> have Baloo after achieving good attendance. <u>Class 4</u> have Bagheera as they have all been on time and ready to learn first thing in the morning.

Punctuality

Just a reminder that the school doors open at 8.30am and **all children should be in school by 8.40am**. It makes a big difference to the day when children are in school on time, they feel more settled, regulated and ready to learn. If you are finding it difficult to get to school on time, our Family Worker may be able to help.

Reception and Class 6 National Child Measurement Programme

On Monday 4th November, our Reception and Class 6 children will be measured and weighed as part of the NCMP. Attached is the link to a reminder of what the NCMP entails and the opt out link, along with information on the Healthy child programme.

https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/child-health-programme-reception-year/ https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/child-health-programme-year-6/

School Applications

If your child is in Year 6, you need to have applied for a secondary school place by the 31st of October.

If your child is starting school in September 2025, applications need to be submitted by the 15th of January.

All applications can be made through: https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Flu Immunisations

The immunisation team are coming to Marlborough on Wednesday 6th November for the flu vaccinations

Flu Link (all years): <u>https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu</u>

School Code: EE111978

Deadline to submit: Monday 4th November, noon

If you have already submitted a consent form, then you do not need to do another one. If you are unsure or have any problems, please call the School Immunisation Team on 01872 221105

Wrap Club

Plymouth Argyle are providing Breakfast Club and Wrap Club every school day which can be booked through this link: <u>Booking Link</u>

Christmas Dates

Just some dates for your diaries as we know Christmas is busy time of year! Thursday 28th November, 5.45pm – Choir at the Christmas Lights Switch On in town Thursday 5th December – Choir at Carols for Christmas at the Princess Pavilion Monday 9th December, 5.30pm – Reception, Class 1 and Class 2 Nativity Tuesday 10th December, 2.15pm and 5.30pm – Reception, Class 1 and Class 2 Nativity Wednesday 18th December, 6pm – Classes 3, 4, 5 and 6 Carol Concert at All Saints' Church



Elfridges & Co. is coming to Marlborough School!

Elfridges is the Elfs' Department Store and this December it's coming to Marlborough, but Mariners need your help to make it happen.

We are looking for donations for Elfridges that will fill tables in the hall - each and every Marlborough child will be able to peruse the goods and buy them for friends/family for £1 (we're hoping each child can buy 2-4 presents depending on availability).

Please leave donations in the trugs by the main entrance- we are collecting now.

The items the children buy will be gift wrapped by a team of wrappers on the day (Friday 13th of December) and they will be able to add their own name tags and gift the presents to their families and loved-ones.

We will need items for all age groups and abilities - it can be anything from books, bars of soap, screwdrivers, mugs, colouring pens, games, toys, knickknacks, trinkets, and teddies. We will need hundreds of items to make this happen - nothing is too small; anything you would charity shop or wouldn't put in the bin.

We would also be grateful for old broadsheet newspapers, comics, ribbons and raffia to wrap the donations into special festive parcels.



Many thanks from Mariners, Elfridges & Co.

Marlborough Kitchen's Autumn Term Menu

Marlborough Kitchen's Autumn Menu Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Week 1 Weeks Macaroni Jacket Potato Beef Chilli Veggie Spag Roast Ham beginning: 4th Nov Cheese Bolognese with Tuna, Or Or 18th Nov Cheese or Hummus and Or Veggie Roast or 2nd Dec Tomato and Beans Breadsticks Cheese and 16th Dec **Basil Pasta** Or Potato Pie Fruit Sweetcorn and Fruit Yogurt and **Red Pepper** Cake-of-the Oats or Fruit Pancakes Week or Fruit Fruit Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Week 2 Weeks Tomato Pasta Margarita Veggie Sausages with **Fish Fingers** beginning: 21st Oct Or Pizza Chickpea Curry Wedges and Wedges 11th Nov Or Or Or Pesto Pasta Or 25th Nov Vegetable Tomato Soup Veggie Veggie 9th Dec Yogurt and Soup Sausages and Nuggets Oats or Fruit Fruit Wedges and Wedges Fruit Fruit Cake-of-the Week or Fruit

Please book your child's food choice in advance via Parent Pay.

Dates for the Diary

Wednesday 23rd October – Class 4 Adventure Club (am only) Wednesday 23rd October – Class 2 Outcome at Kimberley Park at 2.15pm Thursday 24th October – Whole School Autumn Stomp (am only) Friday 25th October - School Closed for INSET Day Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November – Autumn Half Term Wednesday 6th November – Class 4 Residential Meeting at 3.30pm Thursday 7th November – Class 6 Residential Meeting at 3.30pm