



An Lester Trumach - The Packet Ship

24th February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you managed to have a fulfilling half term and at least have had a break from remote learning even if the weather wasn't completely on our side! The government have announced that schools will be reopening for all pupils on the 8th of March, meaning that you only have seven more days of remote learning. I know the teachers are chomping at the bit, ready to teach face-to-face again rather than through technology. We will try and minimise the use of laptops, Chrome Books and iPads during March to give children the opportunity to look up and see faces again. The government guidance has been released and we will have the same provision as we had for the autumn term, with classes being in their own bubble groups and not mixing with other bubbles. Understandably, our children will be greeting this news with mixed feelings; excitement about seeing their friends and teachers again but some anxiety about being in large groups and the hustle and bustle of school life. Rest assured we will put provision in place to ensure the return to school is a happy one, with the children's wellbeing at the forefront of our minds. Please communicate with your child's class teacher if you have any concerns about the return to school. It's quite exciting though to think that we *may* be able to have a summer production and Sports Day with the whole school community together again.

Return to School: 8th March 2021

Information will be sent to parents next week with full details of the reopening of school for all pupils.

Whole School Assembly

Our community assembly will be on **Thursday at 3pm**. A link will be emailed on Thursday.

Screen Free Fridays

We hope you are enjoying our *Screen Free Fridays* and that two stars on the chart have been coloured in. Our **Marlborough School, Falmouth** Facebook page can be used to share any outcomes. This week the focus is on **Resilience**, with children thinking about how they can be brave and have a go at anything. At the end of Friday they can colour in the Resilience star if parents are happy with their effort.

Learning Out and About and In School

- Louise Tremewan will be supporting the Key Stage 1 groups on Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd of March. Children in school will need wellies and warm clothing as they will be out and about.
- Children in school from Reception, Class 1 and Class 2 are continuing to develop their gymnastics skills with Vicky Pryor on Tuesday afternoon.
- Children in school from Classes 3 to 6 will be continuing to develop skills with Plymouth Argyle on Thursday afternoon.

Covid Cases, Symptoms and Testing

Do not send your child to school if they are displaying symptoms of Covid-19, someone in your household is displaying symptoms, someone in your household is awaiting a test result or someone in your household has tested positive.

If your child has been in school as part of our childcare provision you must inform the office if your child shows symptoms of Covid-19, is being tested, is awaiting a test result and the outcome of the test.

Please continue to inform the office if someone in your household has a positive Covid test result, even if your child has not been in school.

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World Book Day- Thursday 4th March

Every day is World Book Day at Marlborough, but next week it's official! In celebration of all things bookish, next Monday we will be launching our Virtual Library. Here you will find all sorts of surprise readers and lots of lovely stories and poems to browse and listen to. We will also be setting you a challenge for the week with different ideas to get you reading and sharing books.



On Thursday March 4th (official World Book Day) the whole school will be sharing the same book and using it as a starting point for that day's learning. You will also be receiving a virtual World Book Day token which you can use to buy one of the special books produced for this year's WBD. You can get a preview of some of the available books here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1IQMCjqqAUunppqmWyyEIDUy-SetutOf/view>

Educational Visits and Residential Visits

Current guidance discourages educational visits at the moment, however we are still able to use the local environment to support our curriculum. We have not been able to book the summer residential visits for Class 4 and Class 6 and will be thinking of ways of developing outdoor learning in a safe way for these year groups so the children still get the same experiences without overnight stays.

Hay, Herbs and Gnomes Needed!

Our reception class are on the look out for hay or straw bales to create a seating area in their mud kitchen. If you have any spare or know where we could get some please let the office know. They would also like some herbs and garden ornaments if you have any spare that you could donate. Many thanks.

Dandelion Learning - Free Grammar Training for Parents and Carers – TONIGHT at 7pm

Please follow the hyperlink if you would like to access this training:

[Free Online Training! Helping Parents with Home Learning: Getting to Grips with Grammar.](#)

In this session for parents they will explore:

- Grammatical terminology. Consolidate your understanding of word classes including nouns, verbs, adjectives, determiners, conjunctions, pronouns and adverbs.
- Ways to support your child at home with their understanding of grammar.

This 45 minute session is free to all parents who have children at primary school.

Cleaner Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a school cleaner for 10 hours each week. Please follow the link below for more information. The closing date for applications is the 4th of March.

<https://cornwall.referrals.selectminds.com/schools/jobs/school-cleaner-1434>

Dates for the Diary

Week beginning 1st March – Book Week

Thursday 4th March – World Book Day

Friday 5th March – St Piran's Day

Monday 8th March – All children return to school

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