

# Marlborough Primary Academy School News

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**Ethos Values** - As a school we have a core set of ethos values. These values underpin all the behaviour amongst children and adults alike, across the school. Our Treat Values apply as well, to parents and other visitors to the school. Please do talk to your children about them. Each value is represented as an owl. The Treat Values are:



**Maths at Marlborough** - As a school we make use of the Mastering Number programme which aims to secure firm foundations in the development of good number sense for all children from

Reception through to Year 1 and Year 2. The aim over time is that children will leave KS1 with fluency in calculation and a confidence and flexibility with number. Attention will be given to key knowledge and understanding needed in Reception classes, and progression through KS1 to support success in the future. If your child is in Willows or Maple class please do ask them about their learning.

We also use White Rose maths as part of our curriculum for all children. The White Rose scheme uses a small step approach so that the children become confident and competent in their use of mathematics. If you go to our website you can see exactly what your children are learning.

**Music Project at the Immersive Dome (Market Hall)** - On Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September, 9 children from key stage 2 attended the Devonport



Market Hall for a singing workshop.

This was a fantastic experience for the children. They showed great enthusiasm and contributed confidently with all activities. The children learnt rhythms and songs from around the globe and discussed and took part in singing songs of importance to them.

The children's voices were recorded and are part of a light and sound installation celebrating Plymouth within the Immersive Dome.

## **Let's Talk about Children Parenting Courses –**



Therapeutic parenting is a way of parenting your child with a high amount of nurture and structure to support children to make close relationships. These workshops are full of support and advice for families using a therapeutic

approach to a set of topics who have primary age children.

Topics include: how to be a therapeutic parent, emotions, anger, aggression, play, behaviour management and self-care.

You can nominate yourself making use of the link:

[https://padlet.com/redirect?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.office.com%2FPages%2FResponsePage.aspx%3Fid%3D0c0jqQ\\_8Q0m8Ktc-OlzC3yKyI9IJ9iJNrBVI8s2QJMFUNK5KVZUV0RIVE1YNEhHUDVMUE1QOUk5OS4u](https://padlet.com/redirect?url=https%3A%2F%2Fforms.office.com%2FPages%2FResponsePage.aspx%3Fid%3D0c0jqQ_8Q0m8Ktc-OlzC3yKyI9IJ9iJNrBVI8s2QJMFUNK5KVZUV0RIVE1YNEhHUDVMUE1QOUk5OS4u)

There are current venues at Mount Wise, Millbay Academy and Mayflower School.



Parents Evening

## **Parents' Evenings –**

We hold these each term so that you have an opportunity to look at your child's work, talk to the class teacher about their learning and find

out what they need to do next to improve. The dates for this term are:

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October (3.30 – 5.30pm)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October (3.30 – 5.30pm) **Willows only**

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October (3.30 – 5.30pm) **Not Willows**

We will shortly be in touch to make an appointment time with you – more information will be available soon.



**Attendance** - Our current attendance is **92.5%**. We are **below** the national expectation of 96%. It is really important that your child(ren) are in school, on

time, every day.

The class with the best attendance for the last two weeks is **Beech** Class. Well done!



**Harvest Festival** - We will be having a Harvest Festival assembly on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October**. We will be supporting a local food bank who help to support families with essential food packages. Please help us by bringing in an item or two from the list below.

Thank you.

Tinned foods such as:- Potatoes – Carrots – Peas – Sweetcorn – Tomatoes – Fruit – Rice Pudding – Soup – Meat – Tuna

Packet foods such as :- Cereal – Tea – Sweet biscuits - Savoury biscuits/crisps – Instant rice/pasta/noodles

Other items such as:- Pasta sauce – Curry sauce – Ketchup – Mayonnaise – Jam/Marmalade

**Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)** – We have arranged a one off session whereby a worker from the DWP will come into school to be available for parents to meet with. The purpose of the meeting would be to enable parents to come and find out if there are any additional benefits you may be able to receive. This will be on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November (9.15am until 10.15am). Please do come along and see if you could receive more.

### **Website**

Please do look at our website on a regular basis as we do keep it up-to-date. The address is: [www.marlborough.plymouth.sch.uk](http://www.marlborough.plymouth.sch.uk)

### **Dates for Your Diary**

Please do keep an eye on the diary dates but be aware they may be subject to change.

Tues 17<sup>th</sup> Oct – Parents' Evening (3.30-5.30pm)  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October (3.30 – 5.30pm) **Willows only**  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October (3.30 – 5.30pm) **Not Willows**  
Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Oct – Break for half term

### **HALF TERM**

Mon 30<sup>th</sup> Oct – Return to school  
Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Nov – Anti-Bullying week 'Make a noise'  
Tues 12<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity 9.30am  
Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Dec – Nativity 9.30am  
Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Class parties pm  
Tues 19<sup>th</sup> Dec – Break for Christmas

### **CHRISTMAS BREAK**

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan – Return to school  
Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Feb – Break for half term

### **HALF TERM**

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> Feb – Return to school  
Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> Mar – World Book Day  
Tues 26<sup>th</sup> Mar – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)  
Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Mar – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)  
Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> Mar – Break for Easter

### **EASTER BREAK**

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> April – Return to school  
Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday  
Mon 13<sup>th</sup> May – Y6 SATs week (Beech class)  
Fri 24<sup>th</sup> May – Break for half term

### **HALF TERM**

Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Return to school  
Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> June – Y4 table check (Sycamore class)  
Mon 10<sup>th</sup> June – Y1 & Y2 phonics screen (Maple class)  
Fri 21<sup>st</sup> June – Whole school sports afternoon  
Fri 12<sup>th</sup> July – Annual report to parents  
Tues 16<sup>th</sup> July – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)  
Wed 17<sup>th</sup> July – Y6 Leavers' Assembly 9.30am  
Wed 17<sup>th</sup> July – Whole school picnic 2pm  
Thurs 18<sup>th</sup> July – Parents' Evening (3.30-6.30pm)  
Fri 19<sup>th</sup> July – Break for the summer holiday

### **SUMMER BREAK**