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An Lester Trumach - The Packet Ship

Dear Parents

What a difference a spot of sunshine makes! Hopefully it will return for the children's half term break next week. We return to school on Monday, 2nd June, for what promises to live up to the habitually busy end to the school year:

June	Mon	02.06.2014	Second Half Summer Term starts
	Mon-Fri	09-13.06.2014	y6 Residential Visit - Paris
	Tue	10.06.2014	Reception and class 1 swimming sessions start
	Thurs	19.06.2014	Sports Day
	Fri	20.06.2014	Penryn School – year 6 induction day; Falmouth School – year 5 visit day
	Wed	25.06.2014	Falmouth School – year 6 induction day
	Thurs	26.06.2014	Reserve Sports Day
	Thur-Fri	26-27.06.2014	y4 Residential Visit
July	Thurs	10.07.2014	Inter-Packet Tournament – Cricket – Juniors
	Fri	11.07.2014	Annual Reports
	Tue	15.07.2014	School Improvement Conference – Full Governing Body and Teaching Staff
	Tue	22.07.2014	Summer Term ends (for pupils)
			Marlborough beach gathering at Swanpool Beach approx. 17:00



Marlborough Meals

I am very pleased to announce that we have now appointed our school chef. Jessica Oughton will be joining the school team for next term. As well as being delighted to welcome Jessica, it is great that this brings all aspects of the school's service in house. Jessica plans to spend some time in school making preparations over the summer, and she came into Marlborough on Friday so was able to meet the children and take a first glance at the kitchen and dining room arrangements. Friday was, appropriately, Food Revolution Day, marked at Marlborough with 28 children joining in Jamie Oliver's on-line cooking lesson. Thank you to all those parents who joined Jessica in helping Mr Oecken out: the rainbow salad wraps seem to have been a hit, both in the making and the eating!

The Current School Meals Service...

Chartwells have advised us of a change of menu on individual days this week and during the first week after half term:

Thursday 22 nd May	Baked chicken goujons or macaroni cheese with homemade herb bread, potato wedges and ice cream dessert.
Monday 2 nd June	Beef burger in a bun with baked potato wedges or country vegetable pie and potatoes, chocolate marble sponge dessert.
Tuesday 3 rd June	Macaroni cheese or shepherdess pie and lemon drizzle cake dessert.

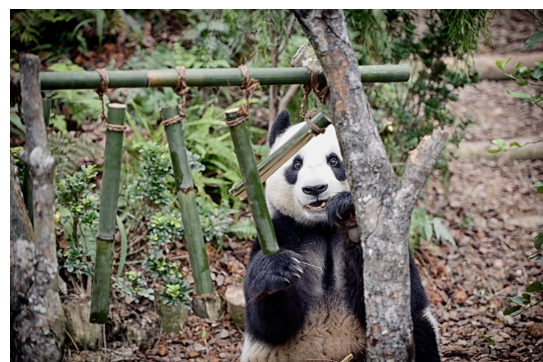
School Meal Survey

We hope to have our survey questions uploaded to the QDP website by Friday – it will be open for you to submit views over half term and for the following week.

Big Dig



As mentioned last week our next planned Line event is a Wildlife Party, due to take place on Thursday 3rd July. A few parents were able to come along to our informal meeting on Friday and we'll keep you all informed on developments in the run up to the event.



One of the best things about the Big Dig activities is the strengthening of our community ethos and we are eager to keep this going. We've had to get used to the somewhat chaotic feel the school grounds can have, accentuated with the post-storm debris, but the spin-off in more interesting play and learning opportunities for children is tangible. Again we are very keen to continue to develop this and the on-going support and involvement of parents is much appreciated.

<http://marlborough.eschools.co.uk>



This Week				Total			
1 st	Walsingham	36	7	1 st	Swiftsure	24	
2 nd	Swiftsure	35	5	2 nd	Pelham	20	
3 rd	Freeling	30	4	3 rd	Chichester	13	
4 th	Chichester	28	3		Freeling	13	
5 th	Pelham	27	2	5 th	Fox	12	
6 th	Fox	23	1	6 th	Walsingham	11	

On the Scroung for Fab Friday!

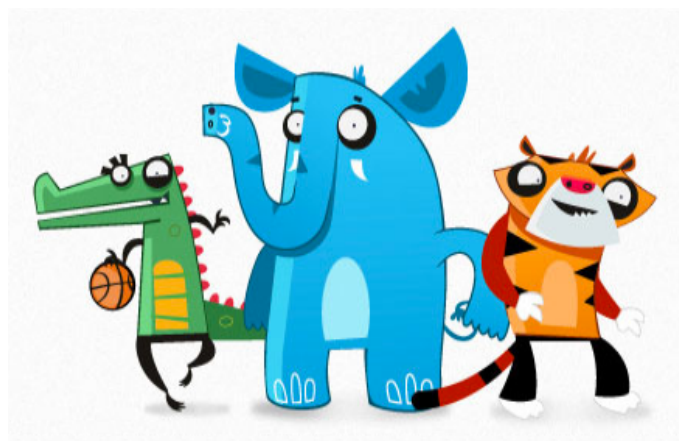
Mrs Draper would appreciate any kitchen roll tubes for her Fab Friday activity. Please send in to class 1 or class 4.

Thank You.

RM Easimaths

For the past few years, we have been using the RM Maths Learning System to provide focussed Maths tasks for all the children, specifically targetted at individuals' ability and to support the identification of pupils' problems and teachers' assessment of their progress. This has been an extremely useful tool and this year we have decided to upgrade to an on-line RM Easimaths to make sure that the programmes used keeps up to date with curriculum changes and also that the tasks capture children's enthusiasm.

With three junior classes having just switched, this final aim has certainly succeeded, so much so that children have asked if they can carry on with Easimaths at home. It's great to know that everyone seems to be enjoying their Maths, but because of the way that we use the information and our experience is that regular use of short target sessions is the most effective way of using this resource it would not be appropriate for us to use it for homework or for children to log on to it at home. Please therefore, do not try to access the RM site from home – there are other learning sites and we'd like to keep this one 'in-house'. Thank you.



Whilst you are out and about in the fine weather we would love you to do some collecting for us – pine cones, pebbles, shells and sticks; anything natural that we could use for arty and making work. Please could you gently tip any of your collections over the wall into the quiet area at the top of the playground for us to sort! Thank you very much.



Elemental UK Watersports centre has been working with Marlborough school for 8 years now providing challenging, educational and above all fun outdoor experiences. The aim of these sessions has not only been to coach new skills but to reinforce water safety advice, improve water confidence and to encourage the safe use of the amazing playground we have right on our door step.

If your son or daughter has enjoyed their time with us or indeed is waiting to join us next year why not give them a chance to experience the activities we have to offer on our kids club this half term. This 3 hour session costs only £18 and will see your child paddling, sailing, surfing and coasteering their way back to the beach exhausted and with a huge grin on their face.

For more information or to book call the centre on 08444889110

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