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#### Dear Parents

Following the recent information on funding you will be relieved to know that the governors have this week been able to set a budget and to maintain the school's core service. We have however had to make some very significant cuts, not in front line class staffing, but the range of much valued support activities and services have suffered. As mentioned previously, Marlborough comes out of this current 'attack' relatively lightly – the government is essentially disingenuous in its claim that school funding has never been higher... whatever our income, legislation and direct costs significantly out-weigh. Our budget allocation increased by around £5K this year while essential stand-still costs increased by £50K, more than ten times that amount! Whichever party is successful in June, we would welcome parental support in challenging the decision makers and certainly we will need your assistance in making ends meet. The governors are eager to discuss these issues with you and will arrange to meet with parents for the new school year.

# Marlborough Kitchen

#### **News from the Print Shop**

No sooner than their last SATS were sent off for marking and we took a group of y6 children to see the *Feed* cookbook put through the final production stage. It has now been printed and bound and you may have seen it at the *Feed Fest* stall in the hall this morning: boxed sets of a further 400 copies are due to have arrived at school today. They're sure to be placed under secure lock and key as there already seems to be a very high demand. So, please make sure you don't miss out (reduced rates for the first copy to every Marlborough family). The cookbook is a fantastic achievement and we hope that everyone is able to come to join us at the celebration on Friday afternoon.

The book represents an important step in the kitchen's story and we've applied for the new **Cornwall School Food Award**. The deadline for submissions is the following week and I'd like to be able to enclose some comments about our meals service. We are able to plumb some delightful feedback in past emails to the kitchen, but if you have some pithy comments that we'd be able to use please send them in by Thursday this week. Thank you.

The focus on the kitchen's special publishing venture has been matched by a number of other projects over recent times, and coming to fruition this year. In fact we feel these too need to be recognised: parents' support in past Big Digs, continuing with



Healthy Schools

help in the garden and allotment, fund-raising for grounds-improvement, the use of **CORNWALL** the Pupil Parliament to gather children's ideas for their school-site, etc. There are opportunities for us to register this work with the Healthy Schools Award and again, if you would like to send us any comments about Marlborough school life to help our claim, please do.







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The Packet Ship

#### **Community Sports Fair**

#### next Wednesday 24 May Falmouth School Library

A wide range of sports clubs, businesses and organisations will be attending on the evening to showcase the sporting opportunities they have to offer you within the town of Falmouth:



Tempest are taking **GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS** (class groups, teams, etc) this Wednesday, 17 May.

Please make a special effort to ensure that children are wearing correct school uniform.

Thank you.

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3 <sup>rd</sup>	Freeling	25	4	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pelham	15
4 <sup>th</sup>	Chichester	24	3	4 <sup>th</sup>	Chichester	13
5 <sup>th</sup>	Walsingham	22	2		Walsingham	13
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The event will run as a free entry a market place where you and your son or daughter will be able to move around the room at your leisure to establish what is available and ask as many questions as you may wish.

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Mylor Sailing Club are offering a range of after school, week-end and Whitsun sailing clubs and activities for children families and 'ladies who launch'... contact for more information: <u>info@mylorsailingschool.co.uk</u> or ring 01326 377633 / 07971 520257.



## Year 6 Rummage in the Jumble Sale!



### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2pm onwards

Class 6 are having a fundraising bric-a-brac/jumble sale. Please come along to pick up some magical bargains and treasures. There will be a tombola too.

Any donations are very welcome. Please bring to the school from Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Thank you!

