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An Lester Trumach - The Packet Ship

Dear Parents

At the end of this term Mrs Sybil Draper will be retiring after 16 years at Marlborough. She has worked for most of that time as a support and cover teacher bringing some inspirational learning opportunities for generations of children across the school. She agreed to take on class 4 this year and all the y4 children and parents will be aware of the great topic work and learning activities they have experienced over the past months. I would like to thank her for all she has done for us all at Marlborough and I am sure parents would want to join me in wishing the best for her final half term and every happiness for her retirement.

I can confirm that we have been able to appoint a replacement to take next year's y4 class. Parents of children in y3 will be delighted to learn that Mr Matt Swiggs will be joining Marlborough in September. Matt already knows the class having worked with them alongside Jenny Crow last year. We are all looking forward to welcoming matt back to the 'Marlborough Gang'

Sports Day 2016 (Thursday 16 June - reserve date 23 June, but please see updates if necessary)



After a smooth run last year, we're back to our usual touch-and-go weather pattern for sports day. Thursday itself is looking fairly mixed and there is quite a lot of wet weather in the days beforehand, which could lead to slippery conditions. The gamble is always whether the reserve date will be any better and of course we are aware that so many parents need to make arrangements to leave work for this event. If it does look particularly bad, we will aim to let parents know on or by Wednesday morning. Please bear with us as it is always a difficult call - do not please ring the school, as we will post any updates on the website and message you as soon as we are able.

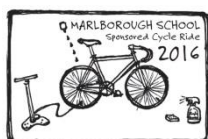


For those of you new to our Sports Day the plan is that we hold an inclusive small group multi-skills event in the morning. Children test themselves against a range of agility, speed, skills and resilience tasks. They work within their packet ships and parents are welcome to come and support them, either from the embankment or following their own children around the circuit. We then return to the school for lunch before the afternoon competitive races, held from 13:30. Every child who wishes to take part runs in a heat against fellow packet team members before grand finals are held for each year group. The day finishes with our traditional Caterpillar Race. All results are included along with the year's other tournaments and packet points for the overall school competition. Parents are of course welcome to this part of the day too, watching from the bank. The school will sit on the opposite side of the track (please do not come down to your children or call them over to you during the events). There will be a winners' presentation at the end of the session, some refreshments for the children and then you may take them home from the field, collecting them from class teachers. Please note, we will send PE kits home with children earlier this week, so that they can come ready prepared on Thursday morning. If you do have any specific questions please do not hesitate to ask class teachers or at the office. Thank you.

I do need to correct some details from last week's diary – the presentation by Falmouth School for parents at Marlborough begins at 14:00 on 22.06.2016... the 15:00 meeting is for y5 parents with regard to the proposed induction programme. Falmouth School's headteacher will meet with new parents following this year's induction day on 30.06.2016. Something that fell off the list is a treat we have in store at the end of this month: we have booked a visiting theatre group to perform The Sword in the Stone for the children on Wednesday 29th June. We have now also further extended our end-of-year music celebrations to include a guitar concert at a special assembly at 09:30 on Wednesday 13th July.



Last Week				Total		
1 st	Fox	34	7	1 st	Fox	43
2 nd	Chichester	29	5	2 nd	Swiftsure	36
3 rd	Walsingham	26	4	3 rd	Chichester	35
4 th	Swiftsure	24	3	4 th	Freeling	31
5 th	Pelham	23	2	5 th	Walsingham	22
6 th	Freeling	18	1	6 th	Pelham	17



Swanpool Sponsored Cycle Circuit – Sunday 10 July 2016 – 9am until 1pm

Your child will have brought home their sponsor form for this event. Please support your child with their fundraising. They can cycle, scooter or walk. We need adult help too, so please let the school office know if you can help with marshalling on the day.

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