



Marlborough Primary School Newsletter - 3rd October 2014



Equality within diversity Inclusive and enabling
Creative and curious Resilient lifelong learners

*Learning to be, learning to know,
learning to live, learning to learn*

OFSTED

Thank you to everyone for their support during the OFSTED inspection last week. Many of you spoke to the Inspectors or went on Parent View to give your feedback which was overwhelmingly positive. As soon as the outcomes of the inspection are made public you will be given a copy of the report.

School Council Members

The following children were elected by their peers to serve on the School Council:

Y3BM	Raika and Lucas
Y3SOC	Tyliane and Olivia
Y4 AW	Levi and Cecila
Y4JAP	Hawa and Ivan
Y5	Natalie and Georgi
Y6	Zak and Lilian

Congratulations on being elected and we look forward to your contribution to making Marlborough an even better place to be!

Behaviour Policy

The Behaviour and Discipline Policy has been reviewed by staff and Governors and is now ready for parents to look at and comment on. Copies are available from the school office. Please pass any comments or questions either via the school office or to Lynn Greenland, Sarah Howell, Sue Harris or Ms Finer. There is a two week window for feedback from Monday 6th October to Friday 17th October.

Attendance & Punctuality

We have had a great start to the school year and for September. At the end of last week attendance for the whole school was 97%. Two classes achieved 100% attendance, Nursery and Y4AW so well done to them!

Unfortunately no class was able to receive the Punctuality Cup as every class had at least one child arriving late to school. Y1VD had the most late children so they really need to improve!



Always Child

Congratulations to the following children who have been chosen as Always Children for September:

RBB:	Ariela	Y3BM:	Ola
RLB:	Alaaeddine	Y3SOC:	Abir
Y1LR:	Pascal	Y4AW:	Adil
Y1VD:	Arnik	Y4JAP:	Ivan
Y2KH:	Sumaya	Y5CZ:	Melita
Y2TM:	Parin	Y6TM:	Aisha

Y5 Trip to Kensington Central Library

Y5 was invited to Kensington Central Library to watch a production of 'I Believe in Unicorns' which brings best-selling children's author Michael Morpurgo's enchanting tale to life, in an 'utterly magical interactive show' set in a library filled with books. Following a delightful performance, the children were able to swap an old book for a new book.



Y5 Visit to The Natural History Museum

Last Friday, Y5 visited the Natural History Museum and took part in several exciting workshops including Investigate, Cutting Edge and the Variety Show where the children learnt about variation, adaptations and some of the work of the museum's scientists. In addition, the children got the chance to explore some of the exhibitions currently available at the museum including Creepy Crawlies and a life-size, animated recreation of the T-Rex.



Scooters

Can parents ensure all scooters that are left in school are left against the car park area by the Draycott Avenue gates and not to be put into the garden area by the Sloane Avenue gates. All scooters get taken into the car park at 9:10am and taken out again at 3:10pm.

International Week events planned so far...

On Monday 20th October there will be a whole school signing assembly using British Sign Language followed by workshops for each class. On Tuesday 21st October we have a visit from a Paralympic Volleyball player fresh from the Invictus games! On Thursday there will be our annual food sharing event after school and on Friday morning there will be two costume parades, one for Foundation Stage and KS1 and the other for KS2 children. More information to follow!

Dates for the Diary

October

**6th-8th
8th**

Life Education Bus in school
School Photographer in
(Siblings & Families)

20th-24th

International Week -
'Best of British'

27th-31st Half Term

General hygiene

Although we are only a month into the school year we have had many children and adults who have been too ill to come to school. Please teach your children to follow some basic hygiene rules to help to stop the spread of germs. Teaching your child to put their hand in front of their mouth if they cough or sneeze and using a tissue when they need to blow your nose is a great start. Please train your children to wash their hands after sneezing and using the toilet and to make sure their hands are clean if they are handling food.

Playcentre

The Council have decided that from April 2015 the responsibility for running after school provision will rest with the Governing body of each School. Marlborough has begun to consider what the future of our Playcentre provision might look like. A flyer went out to all users of Playcentre yesterday and there are some in the school hall if you didn't get one. The flyer alerts parents to a meeting for service users to be held at Marlborough on Monday 13th October at 5pm until 6.15pm.

Year 1 Visit to Kensington Palace

On Wednesday 1st October, Y1 went to visit Kensington Palace. Marlborough Primary School has been invited to be part of a new project for Y1 pupils, as we have had a long partnership with the palace. The children were extremely excited! They found



out all about Queen Caroline, who lived at the palace and was married to King George II. Queen Carline was clever and curious and loved asking questions! Year 1 are beginning to learn a story about her and will find out more when Jessica, the presenter, comes back to Marlborough next week. She has given the year group a letter which they aren't allowed to open yet! The teachers were overwhelmed by the support from Y1 parents, who were very keen to help us out; many thanks for that. **There will be a celebration event at the palace on Tuesday 25th November, to which all Y1 parents are greatly encouraged to come. More details to follow.**

Packed lunch

We have noticed that many of the packed lunches for the younger and newer children at Marlborough are not following the school guidelines. Marlborough School is a Healthy School and children having packed lunch are expected to eat a healthy and balanced meal. Guidelines are available from the school office. Crisps are only allowed on a Friday, no chocolate or chocolate based food is allowed at all.

Eid

Happy Eid to all our families who will be celebrating this weekend. As Eid falls on Saturday all children are expected to be in school on Monday morning. No absences will be authorised for Eid on this occasion.

Y6 Visit to The Natural History Museum

On Friday 26th September Y6 went on a trip to The Natural History museum for a Science day, and all of us enjoyed it thoroughly.

When we first arrived , we were taken to a workshop where we talked about teeth and observed and studied some dinosaur and animal bones. We were set into little groups where the lady there gave us a skull that we had to investigate and find out what creature it belonged too. Then we had to tell the whole class what animal our skull belonged to.

We all had a look round the immense museum, we observed some very interesting objects! There was a massive variety of things, from dinosaur bones to dolphins!

Next, we went to a section of the museum where we had a look at some sea fossils, we walked and saw an electric dinosaur that were moving. We were all shocked and terrified; the dinosaur jumped at us and we thought we were going to get knocked over! Then we went to a large room full of exhibits about dinosaurs - they were even model teeth and claws!

After that, we went a show where a man told us all about the animal groups, such as mammals, reptiles, insects and amphibians.

By Maria , Huda I and Sayuni

Mathletics

Look out for your child's user name and password to access Mathletics! Mathletics is a multi-award winning learning resource that encourages students and rewards results – hugely popular with students, teachers and parents alike.

It allows children access to mathematical games, resources and activities at home safely, whilst improving their maths. At Marlborough School, pupils from Y1 upwards have access to Mathletics. It is important that children do their best in these activities as the scores are stored and can be viewed by the class teacher. For children who do not have access to the internet at home, the school runs an Computer Club during several lunchtimes which your child may attend. Please contact the office to sign up. One tip when navigating the website is to avoid pressing your browser's 'back' button. Instead use Mathletics own buttons within the webpage <http://www.mathletics.co.uk/> There is also a link to Mathletics on the School website!