



Marlborough Primary School

Achievement for All
Newsletter - 25th September 2015



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

Dear Parents,

It was lovely to see so many of you in school this week for assembly and for the class teacher meetings. As the term progresses we hope that those of you who wish to visit the school and not yet done so will have the opportunity. Please check the diary dates for up and coming events especially International Week when we will be holding our annual food event - get planning what you might bring to share!

Jessica Finer
Headteacher

Helene Baldwin Retires After 27 years at Marlborough

On Wednesday 30th September Helene Baldwin retires from Marlborough School. Helene has worked at the school for 27 years as a Teaching Assistant and mid day meal supervisor and has seen many changes over the years and worked with many children. I am sure you would like to join the school in saying thank you for her long and loyal service to the school and wish her well in her retirement.



The KS1 and 2 Curriculum Parent Workshop

There will be a session for parents on '**The Mastery**' curriculum at 9.30am on Friday 16th October in the library. There will also be a parent session explaining how assessment has changed after half term. We will then re-run both these sessions as one twilight session after half term for parents that work during school hours. We would urge parents to try to attend some of these sessions as there have been many changes in the curriculum and in the way we assess children over the past year.

Cars and parking

There are now 'Keep Clear' markings and a barrier on Denyer Street outside the school gates.

- Cars **must not** park or drop off in this area. When letting your children out of the car they need to step on the pavement and **not into the road**.
- If you are crossing from the Wiltshire Close side of the pavement please cross opposite the school gates. A member of staff will be there to stop the traffic and guide you and your child across safely each morning.
- If you have to drive down Denyer Street please **do so very slowly**.
- Please be vigilant with your children - keep them with you on the pavement and hold their hand when crossing the road. Teach them how to cross safely looking both left and right then left and again and listening for traffic.

If there are any parents that would like to volunteer to help with crossing roads please let the office know.



Harvest Festival and Food Bank

We will once again be collecting food for the Food Bank and donations will be accepted from 7th October. More information will follow nearer the time. Mother Emma from St Luke's will lead a Harvest assembly with the whole school (parents very welcome) on 14th October at 9.10am



Why Not?

Why not visit your local park and try to collect as many different coloured leaves as possible. Can you make a collage of a tree out of them?

Diary dates

September

28th Magistrate visiting Y6
29th Metro Bank visiting Y4JAP (1 of 3)
30th Y6 - Operation Smoke Screen Workshop
30th Y4 Meet the teacher meeting

October

1st Metro Bank visiting Y4CZ (1 of 3)
1st Y6 Meet the teacher meeting
6th Metro Bank visiting Y4CZ (2 of 3)
8th Metro Bank visiting Y4JAP (2 of 3)
8th School Photographer—Siblings & Individuals
12th-16th Y5 Cycle Training
13th Metro Bank visiting Y4JAP (3 of 3)
15th Metro Bank visiting Y4CZ (3 of 3)
16th 'Mastery Curriculum' parents work shop (9.30am)
19th-23rd International Week

Class representatives

We are very short of volunteers to be class representatives. Please let the office know are interested in the role or wish to know more about what it entails.

International Week

International week runs from Monday 19th to Friday 23rd October. The theme this year is 'Stories from around the World'. If you have any stories that you could share with your child's class teacher please do so. The more stories we have the better. You are also welcome to come in and tell stories with small groups of children. We will be sending you a timetable of events for the week which will include a costume parade and a fund raising food event. Funds raised will go towards helping Syrian refugees.

Always Children

Well done to all the children chosen as the Always Child for September who attended a healthy tea with Ms Finer today.

Y1KW	Anja	Y4CZ	Tazmin
Y1VD	Ariella	Y4JAP	Fahim
Y2AW	Louisa	Y5BM	Diana
Y2KH	Leona	Y5TM	Maryam
Y3PB	Aziza	Y6TJM	Aisha
Y3SOC	Emily		

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Macmillan are our chosen school charity for the year. Today we held a coffee morning for parents as a start to our fund raising. Macmillan is a very worthy charity that many



of you will know of and may have had direct experience of supporting those with advanced cancer and their families.

School Sports

A big thank you to Miss Zarbhanelian and to Toby Mariner for organising a friendly football match between Marlborough, Servite and Christchurch



after school on Wednesday. All children were very supportive of each other and it was very exciting to use our new larger football pitch! Thanks to all who supported the matches. Don't forget to return your kit as soon as you can!

SCHOOL GAMES MARK



Marlborough has yet another award! This time we have been awarded a bronze level Schools Games mark. Thank you to Mrs Howell who ensured that we gained this award.

Gardening & Cookery Club visit to Ravenscourt Park

Last Friday gardening club visited Ravenscourt Nurseries where they were shown how



to propagate cuttings. They are looking forward to our cuttings being grown on at school.

