

*we are equal, we include everybody, we ask questions, we are creative, we are learners*

Dear Parents,  
The term is well under way and things are beginning to get very busy! Please take note of some of the reminders in the Newsletter this week.

Jessica Finer  
**Headteacher**

### **School Packed Lunch**

Parents are reminded that if you provide your child with a packed lunch each day this should contain a healthy and balanced meal. There are certain foods which are not allowed: anything with chocolate, or any nut related products (including Nutella.) Crisps or snack type biscuits are only allowed on a Friday. If you are unsure of ideas for your child's lunch box please see the office for a healthy packed lunch leaflet. Children may have food confiscated until the end of the day by staff if they bring items that are not allowed.

### **Y4 We are Londoners assembly with Park Walk School**

Y4 parents are invited to a special assembly led by Everyday Magic Storytellers to celebrate the learning Y4 did last term. This is part of a long term project called 'We are Londoners' which also involves Park Walk school. The assembly will be at 2pm in the Great Hall. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible!

### **School uniform**

Please label ALL clothing your child comes to school with. It is hard to return lost items if there is no way to find out who things belong to. If your child comes home with clothing that is not theirs, please return to the school. Children are expected to wear a school jumper and the correct uniform. Children will be challenged if they are not correctly dressed for school .

### **Digital Leaders at MPS**

Last week, we announced the names of our first ever Digital Leaders at Marlborough! There were over 90 applications received and the enthusiasm shown towards computing in the school was spectacular. Our Digital Leaders role is to help support their peers and the teachers using all the exciting technology we have in school. They will also be ambassadors for Online Safety and give advice of what to look out for when using social networks and apps. Today, we visited BETT - Europe's largest technology show for education. The children got hands on with so much new technology - some that you might find coming to Marlborough soon! It was a fantastic day with so much to see!

### **Digital Leaders:**

3TT	Hanan
3JAP	Joseph
4AG	Elisa
4PB	Leona
5AE	Nuhamin
5SOC	Ryan
6TJM	Aisha
6CZ	Alek



### **Year 6 SATs Meeting and Maths workshop**

On Monday 29th January there will be a SATs meeting and a maths workshop for parents of Y6 children. You should already have received letters with the details of this event.

## Diary Dates

### January

**30th** Y5/Y6 Girls Football Tournament

**31st** Y1KW Visiting V & A Museum

**31st** Y5AE Assembly at 2.50pm

### February

**6th** Y5 Visiting Sky Skills Academy

**6th** Y1AM Visiting V & A Museum

**7th** Y5/Y6 Sportshall Athletics

**9th** Blendavenda Smoothie Bike

## Y5 & 6 Chelsea Foundation PLPS

### Tournament

A group of 8 Y6 children visited Southfields Academy for a football tournament led by Chelsea FC. It was a packed day, the children played 6 games against teams from all over the Borough. Miss Efford was particularly impressed by how amazingly they represented Marlborough through their sportsmanship and team spirit.

## Illness

As you may know from the national news, there has been an outbreak of contagious sickness bugs across the country. As a result, schools have reported large number of pupils and staff reporting absent. There has been a significant increase in the number of pupils and staff at Marlborough with flu-like symptoms, diarrhoea and vomiting, and because the present outbreaks seem to be very contagious, we are following government guidance to try to reduce the spread. Please could I urge you to follow these guidelines to protect the health of the whole school community:

**Do not send your child into school if they feel at all unwell, or are suffering with flu-like symptoms, diarrhoea or vomiting. It is unlikely that they will improve across the course of the day. Keep your child at home for a minimum of 48 hours after the last symptoms associated with diarrhoea/vomiting have subsided. This is national guidance. If they show signs of flu, then please keep your child at home until their symptoms have cleared. If your child develops these symptoms at school, we will call you promptly. Please could you or a family member/friend collect them as a matter of urgency.**

In addition, we have been advised by Public health England that seasonal flu levels have continued to increase in the last week. Please follow the attached link on advice on how to limit the spread of germs and the transmission of flu.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/uk-flu-levels-continue-to-increase-according-to-phe-statistics>

If you are concerned, please contact your GP or NHS Direct. As always, thank you for your support in making Marlborough a happy, healthy learning community.

## MPS visits Roehampton Teacher Training College

Ms Dark and Ms Benaguida were at Roehampton University this week talking to student teachers and newly qualified teachers about all the amazing things we do at Marlborough. The teachers were all really impressed with the learning they saw and were excited to hear all about MPS!



## Marked improvement in PE uniform!

Thank you for taking note of the rules regarding uniform for PE days. However, there are still a few children not wearing the correct uniform. If this applies to your child please make it a priority to send your child to school in the correct kit.

## On line Safety Tips

If your children love to play online games, one of the names you may be hearing about a lot lately is Roblox. Launched in 2005, Roblox's popularity among gamers 8-years-old and up has exploded, and it is now the No. 1 gaming site for kids. For a full guide to Roblox for parents, visit [www.bit.ly/rbxguide](http://www.bit.ly/rbxguide)