

# Marlborough St Mary's

## News 8 - June 2018



This has been a very busy term at Marlborough St Mary's, and with the Summer Fete at the end of this week and an Art exhibition looming, things aren't likely to change until we get to the summer holidays!

As a school we really are very fortunate to have so many wonderful staff and parents who are willing to give their time and expertise to make this school a really special place to be. Thank you to you all.

Our next big challenge is likely to be a visit from the Ofsted inspectors. New schools are allowed a two year grace period before they are inspected, and as we amalgamated on a split site in September 2016



the two years are up in September. One of the things the inspectors take into account is the opinions of parents. They do this by looking at the responses on the 'Parent View' section of the Ofsted website. If you can, please take a few minutes to complete the questionnaire at [www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk](http://www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk) You can also find a link on the school website.

### STAFF NEWS

Two new teaching assistants have started work at Marlborough St Mary's, Toni Beacock, who is working in Water Vole and Phoebe Spargo in Teal. I'm sure you will join us in welcoming them.

We have had several staff through the year who have been off for some time with illness, or following operations. We wish them all well and thank you for bearing with us during some unsettled times.

### COURAGE

Our new value for this term is courage and children from across the school have been trying to show us, and themselves, how they can demonstrate this value. This time of year can be quite unsettling for the children as they prepare to move up to new classes or move to a new school so we wish them all '*bon courage*' over the next few weeks.



### SPORTS DAY

Last Thursday all the pupils took part in Sports Day. Working in house teams, pupils took part in different sporting activities to collect as many points as possible for their house. A wide range of activities enabled all pupils to take part such as skipping, throwing, balancing, jumping and running. Once all activities were finished, pupils took part in sprint and long distance running races. It was fantastic to see so many pupils pushing themselves to run further and faster.



Our fantastic pupils also showed great sportsmanship throughout the day encouraging, helping and supporting their teammates. They should all be extremely proud of themselves.

Pegasus were the winners of the KS2 Sports Day trophy and Gryphon won the KS1 Sports Day trophy. Congratulations to all the pupils.

A huge thank you to Mrs Haines who spent hours organising everything so that the day ran so smoothly!

## SPORTS NEWS

### Level 2 Quad Kids – Marlborough

This year Marlborough St Mary's took 3 teams to participate in the Marlborough Cluster Quad kids event. Each team has 5 boys and 5 girls and they have to complete 4 athletic activities; 75m sprint, standing long jump, vortex throw and a 600m run.

All teams worked hard to complete the activities and get as many points for their team as possible.

The team consisting of Elise H, Milly T, Evie M, Thea W, Sian H, Ben M, Bailey O, Dylan H, Rodrigo S and Phoenix M achieved a third place out of 17 teams which was a fantastic achievement.

Elise H had a very successful day working incredibly hard in all the events to achieve 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the girls' competition.



### Level 2 Mixed Cricket Tournament - Marlborough

Marlborough St Mary's sent 2 teams to take part in the Marlborough Cluster Mixed Cricket Tournament.

Our B team gained confidence with each game in their group and worked well as a team. Their batting and fielding has improved immensely and they thoroughly enjoyed the day.

Our A team stormed through their group matches, winning all of them comfortably to get through to the semi-finals. The semi-final proved to be a very challenging match against an extremely strong team from Great Bedwyn, who went on to win the tournament.

We would like to thank Mrs Heath for all her hard work with the Cricket Teams this year.

**Well done to the Girls' Kwik Cricket team who won the recent area cricket festival. They will now be going to the County Finals on Friday. Congratulations and good luck!**

## CIVIC SERVICE

On Sunday morning, 24th June, there was a special Civic Service at St Mary's Church to celebrate Education in the town. The service was attended by the Mayor of Marlborough and various other dignitaries. With almost thirty children from the choir singing and two further children reading, Marlborough St Mary's was well represented. Several members of the congregation came over after the service to comment on the children's wonderful singing and confident reading. Well done to all the children, and to Miss Knowles and Mrs Holford-Wright for their work with the choir.



## CHINESE DAY

Global Citizenship is a strand of the Eco Code, and last week the Key Stage 2 Eco Warriors group took part in the Marlborough College Chinese Day.

The children had a great day, learning to speak some phrases in Mandarin, write Chinese characters and use chopsticks. After a Chinese lunch and a tour of the college it was time to return to school. Many thanks to Marlborough College for organising the event.



## SUMMER MESSY CHURCH!

All are invited to the Summer Messy Church, which will take place on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 4-6pm, at St Mary's Church, Silverless Street, Marlborough SN8 1JQ.

Come and have fun with crafts; drama; games; stories and singing, followed by a picnic tea. All ages are welcome, but **under 8s must be accompanied by an adult**. There will be a creche for babies. There is no charge (but donations are welcome on the day).

To book a place, or for more information, please contact [anniestuddertkennedy@hotmail.com](mailto:anniestuddertkennedy@hotmail.com) (Tel. 01672 514357) or [cphilps2@gmail.com](mailto:cphilps2@gmail.com)

## HOUSE NEWS

After Sports Day points have been added to the house totals Gryphon house lead the term totals and Pegasus the Year totals. Unbelievably after almost a year Phoenix and Gryphon are only one point apart!

### TERM TOTALS

**Phoenix Gryphon Pegasus Dragon**

**3936 4068 4065 3821**

### YEAR TOTALS

**9441 9440 9777 9709**

## HEADTEACHER'S AWARD



This term Headteacher's Awards have been awarded to:

**KS1:** Maizy C, Gabriel P and Jude P

**KS2:** Cecilia F, Alfie S, Sophia Z and Eleanor H

## DEPUTY HEADTEACHER'S AWARD

Deputy Headteacher's awards for excellent work have been awarded to: Freya A and all pupils who took the Phonics Screening Checks.

**Congratulations!**

## LONGLEAT

Earlier in June, children from Oak and Acorn classes went on the annual Rotary 'Kids Out' trip to Longleat. They all thoroughly enjoyed themselves and are already looking forward to next year!

Thanks to the Rotary Club for organising and funding the trip.



## BRAESIDE

Earlier this month the Year 4 children went to Braeside on the annual residential. They had a wonderful time and showed our value of courage by challenging themselves with long walks, climbing, problem solving activities and much more. Thank you to the staff who organised and went along to support. Everyone was exhausted when they got back!



## ASTRONOMY

Over the last few weeks all the year 6 children have had an opportunity to take part in Astronomy workshops at Marlborough College. This was a fantastic opportunity and all the children enjoyed themselves and learnt a great deal.



## Wiltshire Council Consultation on Special Schools

There is currently a consultation on the Wiltshire Council website (and Wiltshire Local Offer) regarding the creation of new special school places in the north of Wiltshire for children and young people with complex needs.

[http://wiltshire.objective.co.uk/portal/education/special\\_school\\_provision\\_in\\_wiltshire](http://wiltshire.objective.co.uk/portal/education/special_school_provision_in_wiltshire)

The consultation site has the online survey form and some background details.

## PARKING

We would like to remind you that the car park is not open to parents and is for staff and visitor use only.



Please do not park on the double yellow lines outside of school when dropping off or collecting your children.

We have been advised by Travis Perkins that there has recently been a near miss involving a Travis Perkins lorry and a child whose parent was parked near their premises. Please do not park on this small trading estate as it can be dangerous due to the type and volume of vehicles visiting Travis Perkins.

## CROSSING PATROL



We have a vacancy for a crossing patrol person in the afternoons. If you are interested or know of anyone else who is, please contact the school office. This position would be subject to references and a DBS check.

## SUMMER FETE

The Annual Friends of the School Summer Fete will be held on Friday 29th June from 4.30-7.30pm. This promises to be a really exciting event, held for the first time on a Friday evening and in our new school building.

The children are invited to come into school on Thursday wearing non school uniform in exchange for a bottle for the Fete's bottle tombola.

This should be a great event with stalls, mega slide, nerf wars, barbecue and a bar to look forward to. Please come along with your families to support. As always the Friends will be looking for helpers to man the stalls, bake cakes and donate items. Please help if you can.



## ART EXHIBITION



On Wednesday 11th July from 3.15-4.30pm we will be holding an Art Exhibition in school. Children across the school have been busy preparing their wonderful art works and we would love as many parents as possible to come and join us for the occasion. More information will be sent out soon.

## Marlborough St Mary's Events Calendar Term 6

### Term 6: What Makes Britain Great

#### June

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> – Come to school in everyday clothes in return for a bottle for the Summer Fair  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> 4.30-7.30 – Summer Fair

#### July

Thursday/Friday 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> – Y6 to St John's – Transition days  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> pm – Class swap afternoon  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> – New Reception class induction afternoon  
**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> – TD Day No School - Staff and Governors school development planning**  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July – Class swap afternoon (Y6 to YR) Parents to pick up from new classes  
Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> – New reception children in for lunch  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 3.15-4.30 – Art Exhibition  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> 8.45 – Coffee and Chat with Mrs Holford-Wright and Lisa Feeney, Studio Hall  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> – EYFS/Swallowtail reports out  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Y6 Leavers' Production dress rehearsal for school  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm and 6.00pm – Y6 Leavers' Production, School Hall  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm – Parent Helpers Tea Party  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> 9.30 – Year 6 Leaver's Service – St Mary's Church  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> July – Last day of term, pick up children 1.15pm

#### September

Monday 3rd September - TD Day - School closed to pupils  
Tuesday 4th September - First day of Term 1

