



## Newsletter – October 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

The first half of this half term has flown by! The children are starting to settle into their classes, adjusting to new routines and expectations. It is a pleasure to visit our classrooms and experience the super atmosphere of focussed work and trying our best.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you that if you have any concerns or worries about your child while they are at school, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff. In the first instance the class teacher is usually the best person to speak to because they know the children and are able to talk about their expectations and what has happened in class. I am very proud that at both our schools staff are happy to speak to our parents and are readily available.

### **Parent Code of Conduct**

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our parents for the support they give to both schools. Our 'Parent Code of Conduct' is attached to this newsletter as a reminder of our expectations.

### **REMINDER: Early Closure of ASC**

On Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October ASC will close at 4:30pm promptly to allow staff to attend safeguarding training at Ashbourne Primary. We apologise any inconvenience this may cause but are sure you will understand that this is vital training for staff.

### **Sickness Policy**

The policy across the Acorn Federation is that staff and children should not return to school until 48 hours after the last episode of sickness/diarrhoea. This is so that we can help to stop the spread of germs as much as possible.

The following is taken from the NHS website. For more information on how to treat and stop the spread of infection please follow the link below.

["Diarrhoea and vomiting can spread easily](#)

#### **Important**

Stay off school or work until you have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days."

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/diarrhoea-and-vomiting/>

### **Calendar Dates**

Please remember to refer to the school calendars which were sent home earlier in the term so that you know what is happening in school. Please also remember to use the school website and the calendar on there. Follow the appropriate link to access this, -

<https://www.longlane.derbyshire.sch.uk/diary/grid/2019/09/>

<http://www.marstonmontgomery.derbyshire.sch.uk/website/calendar/259244>

Attached to this newsletter are the term and INSET dates for the next academic year (2020 to 2021) to allow you to plan ahead.

Parents at MMPS are already receiving a 'Next Week at Marston' email. This includes information about the week ahead, hopefully as a helpful reminder of the events coming up in the following week.

As soon as all parents at LLPS have returned their forms for emailing letters we will begin to send out a 'Next Week at Long Lane' email.

### **Updating Forms**

If you have not yet done so please return all forms to school. Thank you.

### **School Meals**

The price of school dinners remains the same this year. A child's meal is - £2.10, so a week costs £10.50. The price of an adult meal is £2.88.

The cost of school meals for the first half term is - £79.80.

The cost of school meals for the second half term is - £71.40

School meals must be paid for in advance, you may either pay weekly, monthly or for the whole half term. **Money must be sent in a clearly labelled envelope, thank you.**

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils are still receiving universal free school meals so there is no need to pay.

### **Joint Events to look forward to**

#### **Joint Event**

Our first joint event of the year will be on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October. This will take place at MMPS. Pupils at LLPS will receive a letter this week regarding arrangements for transport to the joint day.

The focus for our first joint day will be our new PSHE Matters scheme of work. During the day the children will take part in four different sessions based on the new scheme.

#### **QEGS: Cross Country (21/10/19)**

Please look out for a letter containing information about our first sports event of the year at QEGS.

#### **Phonics Sessions**

Phonics sessions are being held at both schools for parents to experience. We hope you will find the sessions helpful and informative. If you have any further questions about how to support your child please ask.

### **Mrs Bosley's Plan**

This is the plan for this half term. Please remember that if you would like to speak to me when I am at the other school, you can contact a member of staff to see if they are able to help or ask staff to contact me so that I can contact you.

<b>w/b</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
<b>07/10/19</b>	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS
<b>14/10/19</b>	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	Joint Day
<b>21/10/19</b>	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	INSET
<b>Half Term</b>					
<b>04/11/19</b>	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS
<b>11/11/19</b>	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS
<b>18/11/19</b>	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS
<b>25/11/19</b>	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	INSET

Kind regards

Teresa Bosley  
Head Teacher





# Marston Montgomery Primary School

## **Breakfast and After School Clubs (BC & ASC)**

Please remember that places need to be booked a week in advance, so that we can ensure we have staff for each session. Thank you. Forms for Autumn 2 will be sent out this week.

## **Marston Montgomery – Events in September**

### **FOMM: Meeting (19/09/19)**

FOMM met and planned events for the rest of the year. The next meeting is on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November at 'The Crown' in Marston, where FOMM will prepare items to sell at the Village Christmas Fair.

### **Community Lunch (25/09/19)**

We welcomed 18 members of our local community to our school for lunch today. It was wonderful to also see Mrs Beloe as she came along to enjoy Mrs Charlesworth's tasty dinner!

### **Harvest Service (27/09/19)**

The children reminded us how lucky we are to have the plentiful supplies of food that we do and that there are many people in our world who are not as fortunate as we are. They also spoke about the importance of sharing what we have and linked this to the story that Jesus told about Lazarus, the beggar and the rich man.

A huge well done to our children in the Garden Class who retold 'The Enormous Turnip' so well!

Thank you for all the donations we received, they will be used well at the Food Bank.

### **Macmillan Coffee Morning (27/09/19)**

Well done to our Year 5 and 6 children who organised our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon and thank you to everyone who supported it. The event raised an amazing £311 for this worthy cause.

## **Marston Montgomery – Events in October**

### **Swimming**

The Meadow Class will swim on a Monday afternoon this term. The children will need to bring a swimming costume / trunks and towel. They may bring goggles if they wish.

The dates for swimming are –

**October** – 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>

**November** – 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>

**December** – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>

We need volunteers to go with us, if you are able to help please speak to Mrs Alexandra or Mrs Lovett.

### **Outdoor Learning**

We will be offering a session of outdoor learning each week. The Meadow Class will have their Outdoor learning sessions on a Friday afternoon during the Autumn 1 term. When the children are taking part in outdoor learning sessions they will need to bring suitable clothing, e.g. wellington boots, raincoats, gloves, hats etc. They will take part in outdoor learning whatever the weather so MUST be appropriately dressed! Please take clothing home after each session. After October half term, the Garden Class will have their outdoor learning sessions.

### **Session dates**

**October** – 4<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>

**Celebration Assembly**

All parents and carers are warmly invited to join us on a Friday morning (9:00am to 9:15am) for our celebration assembly where we will celebrate the children's work from the week.

Dates – 04/10/19, 11/10/19, 08/11/19, 15/11/19, 22/11/19

**Marston Tots**

Parents, carers, grandparents with pre-school children are welcome to join us for our Tots session on a Friday morning (9:15am – 11:15am).

Dates – 04/10/19, and 11/10/19.

**Open Morning for Prospective Parents (15/10/19)**

Parents of children who will turn 5 between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 have an opportunity today to come and visit our super school. If you know anyone who this applies to please let them know the date. If people are unable to make the open day they can book an appointment to come and visit our school instead.

**Community Lunch (23/10/19)**

Mrs Charlesworth will once again be cooking a delicious roast for members of our community.

**Parents' Evening (23/10/19)**

Letters for you to book appointments will come home soon, please look out for them and make the most of this opportunity to discuss your child's progress with their class teacher.

**Village Events**

**Quiz (15/11/19)** – More information will be available in the village newsletter nearer the time.

**Christmas Fair (07/12/19)** – We have once again been asked to open this event by singing carols.