



19th March 2021

Dear Parents,

Another week has flown by! The days in school are going quickly and it is super to see the children still enjoying being together again.

Next week at Marston

Monday 22nd March

Mrs Bosley at Long Lane

Tuesday 23rd March

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Wednesday 24th March

Mrs Bosley at Marston

Thursday 25th March

Mrs Bosley at Long Lane

PM – PE for all children – please wear PE kit to school.

Friday 26th March

Mrs Bosley at Long Lane

PM – Forest School for all children – Please send children with outdoor clothes to change into.

Easter Egg Hunt at MMPS

After School Club on Thursday 1st April will be our traditional Easter Egg Hunt.

If your child(ren) would like to attend please contact Mrs Lovett via email, mlovet@acornfed.derbyshire.sch.uk, to book their space by Tuesday 23rd March, this will give the Easter Bunny time to make sure they have enough eggs! The hunt will take place between 3:30pm and 5pm at a cost of £5.

Parents' Evening at MMPS

We have planned to have our previously postponed parents' evenings during the first week back after the Easter holiday. At Marston, this will be on Monday 19th April and Tuesday 20th April. This time staff will arrange to talk to parents over Teams. Staff will arrange times to meet with you either before or after school next week.

Staff have again discussed the need for appointments to be on time so that you are not left waiting and wondering when you will be called. In order to aid this staff will have 15 minutes gaps for each appointment. They will however stick to a 10-minute time limit for each call. The additional 5 minutes is to ensure they have time to log out and start the next call. If there are still things to discuss staff will make arrangements with you to book an additional appointment. We ask you to help us keep the evening running smoothly by supporting us in sticking to the 10-minute time allocation.



If you have anything in particular you would like to discuss please let staff know. As always staff will share the things the children have achieved, the targets we are working on next and how you can support this work at home.

Mrs Pointon

Sadly, Mrs Pointon has decided to retire at the end of this school year. Our school will not be the without her ☹️. Mrs Pointon has worked at MMPS for **26 years!** She has supported many children, had far too many roles for me to list and is a valued member of staff. We will miss you Mrs Pointon but you will always be welcome to pop in for a visit. We wish you a happy, well deserved retirement when it comes.

Job Vacancies

Due to Mrs Pointon's upcoming retirement, we have some vacancies. We have vacancies for, -

- Middday supervisor at MMPS
- Some After School Club and Breakfast Club Play Worker hours at MMPS

We also continue to have a vacancy at LLPS for our ASC.

If you are interested in any of these roles please contact me to discuss them. It is possible for the roles to be shared. The job descriptions for the roles are attached to this email.

Sports Day – A hopeful date for your diary

Staff in school are hopeful that the lifting of restrictions on or after 21st June will mean we are able to hold sports day this year. For now, we have provisionally booked Thursday 15th July. If this needs to be postponed for weather / COVID reasons, we have a second provisional date of Thursday 22nd July for this. This is in the hope that the later we arrange it the more likely we are to be able to hold the event. We are informing you now so that you can put the date in your diary.

Corks

If you have any corks, or acquire any please send them into school. Mrs Coppen would like them to use for Forest School. Thank you.

Contact tracing over the Easter holidays

During the Easter holidays, schools will again be playing an important role in contact tracing and the national effort to limit the spread of coronavirus (COVID-19). This is a key part of the test and trace process, as schools hold the data about close contacts and pupil contact details.

During the Easter holiday staff, students, parents and carers only need to inform the school of a positive case where they have developed symptoms within 48 hours of being in school.

The government does not expect school staff to be available for contact tracing duties beyond the first 6 days of the Easter holidays, at which point all positive cases should be dealt with through NHS Test and Trace. This means that we will not need to remain on-call after Wednesday 7th April. Up to and including 7th April I will check my emails daily between 9am and 9:30am. Please email (t.bosley@acornfed.derbyshire.sch.uk) me if your child develops symptoms and you are going for a test and then met me know the result of the test.



Where pupils or staff test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) during the holidays, having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being in an education setting, we are not required to take any action. If this is the case, please follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

Contact with a positive case during the holiday

Where pupils or students need to self-isolate due to contact with a positive case during the holidays, we do not need to be informed about this until the first day of the Summer term.

Best wishes

Teresa Bosley