



Marston Montgomery Primary School



July 2017

19th July 2017

Dear Parents,

The summer holidays are just about upon us and I wanted to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your support over the last year. Last week you received your children's end of year reports, we are pleased with the progress the children have made this year and are all looking forward to building on this next year.

This newsletter celebrates the activities the children have completed this half term, the progress they have made and looks towards September and the exciting changes we will be making.

Art Day / Mums' Day

We welcomed Mums, Grandmas and sisters in to school today to take part in various art activities. Everyone also had a go at petalling our well dressing. The children enjoyed working with our visitors and it was a lovely day for all.

Marston Well Dressing

11th June

The theme this year was Top of the Pops, our winning design was by Scarlett Lovett. The children performed a Country Dance enthusiastically.

Thank you to everyone who supported our stall, we raised £125, which we shared between the school and the Village.



New Starter Induction

We welcomed our new Reception children into school on Monday 12th, 19th and 26th June. They enjoyed lunch with us twice and took part in learning activities as they got to know staff and children. We look forward to welcoming them to our school family in September.

Sports Day

On 16th June the children took part in our Sports Day. They ran, jumped and threw in a variety of events. Our older children showed their leadership skills and nurturing ability as they looked after and supported our younger children.

Cake Sale

After Sports Day we had an extremely successful tea and cake sale which raised £112 for our Forest Schools fundraising. Thank you to Mr & Mrs Nichols for organising the sale.

Tri-Golf

It was lovely to see children who do not usually participate in tournaments competing in and enjoying the Tri-Golf tournament on Tuesday 20th June. Well done to you all.

White Hall

The children took part in a variety of outdoor adventure activities including (windy) canoeing and rock scrambling over a period of three days.

Y6 Transition to QEGS

Our Year Six went to QEGS on 27th, 28th and 29th June. They enjoyed their time there and particularly enjoyed the science lesson in the lab!

Community Lunch and Sale for Grenfell Tower

On Wednesday 28th June we again welcomed members of the community into school for one of Mrs Charlesworth's delicious roast dinners.

This was also the day the children had planned a sale for the Grenfell Tower victims. The children and our visitors bought items from the sale to support this good cause. We raised £135 for Grenfell Tower. Thank you to everyone who gave so generously.

Sports Crew Afternoon

29th June

The children organised and participated in a volleyball tournament and individual sporting activities.

Childline / NSPCC Visit

On 5th July both classes had an informative talk presented by Pauline from Childline.



Aladdin

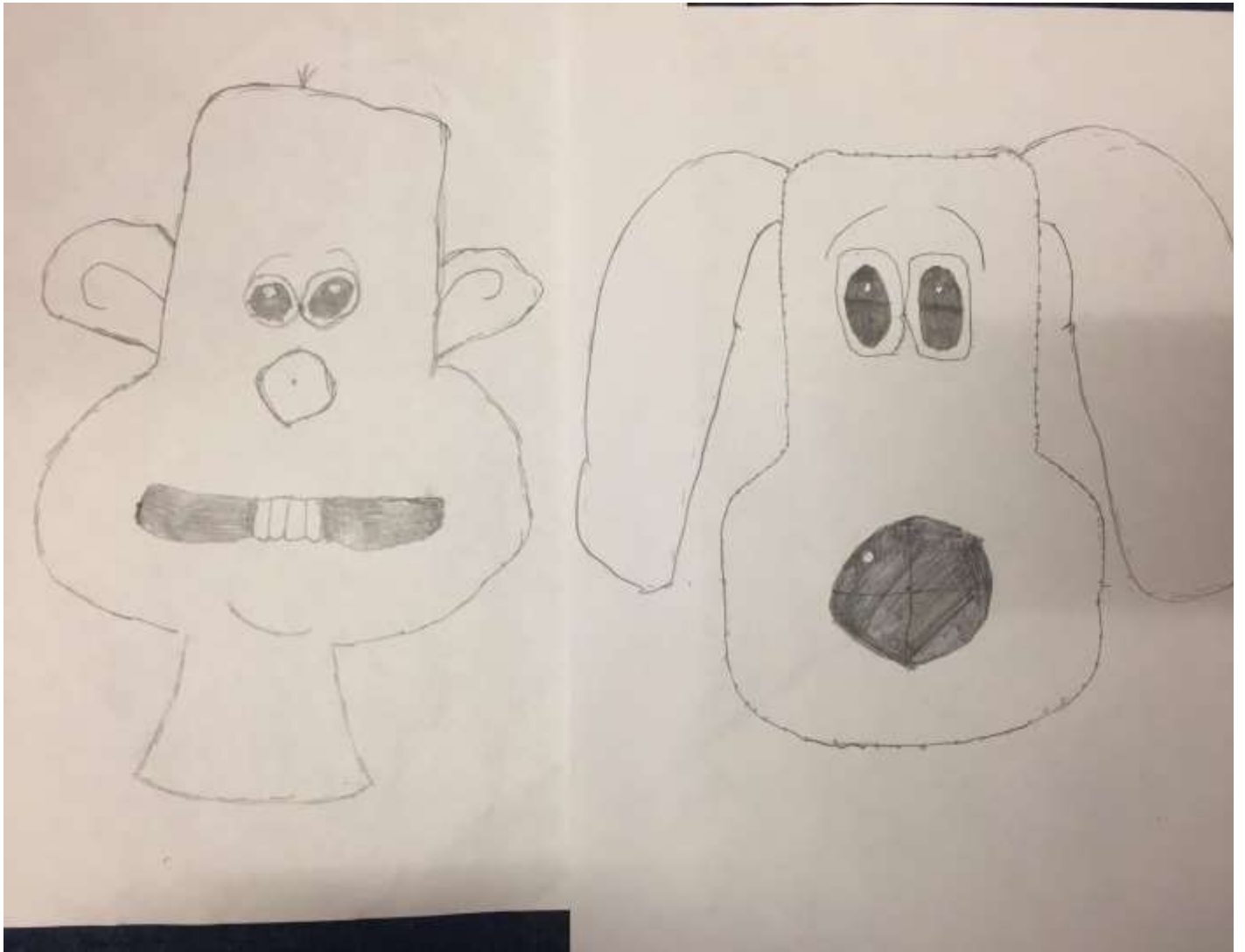
On Wednesday 12th July the Juniors gave two fantastic performances of Aladdin. Well done to all our actors and singers, you should be very proud of your performances!

Mini-Olympics

On Friday 14th July all of the infants attended the Mini Olympics and took part in various track and field events. They had a lovely time, despite the very cold wind!!

Doodle Bug Day

The “Doodle Bug” man joined us on 17th July to teach the children how to draw cartoons. The infants drew “Angry Birds” and the juniors produced some fantastic Wallace and Gromits!



Bags2School

Thank you to everyone who had a clear out and brought in bags on 17th July. We raise £60, towards our Forest Schools Fund Raising.

Police Safety Talks

On Tuesday 18th July we welcomed two police officers into school who came to give the children talks on staying safe.

Marston's Got Talent

We are looking forward to watching all our children take part in Marston's Got Talent tomorrow.

Happy Retirement

We wish Mrs Haslam a happy, fun and long retirement, doing the things she enjoys. Over her time at the school Mrs Haslam has dedicated herself to the school and the children she has taught. The whole school community will miss her but we are looking forward to her coming back in to school to visit us.

Assessment Results

A huge congratulations to all our children who sat the Year 1 phonics screening check, there was a 100% pass rate this year which is amazing!!!!

Due to cohort sizes we are not permitted to publish the percentages for our Key Stage 1 and 2 results but we would like to say well done to all the children who sat these tests, they have worked really hard to achieve their results.

Information

Next Year: Miss Harris

In September we will officially be welcoming Miss Harris to our school family, she is already a familiar face around school and I am delighted to be welcoming her to our team.

Next Year: Class Arrangements

In September, we will be working in four classes during the mornings – The Bluebell Class, The Garden Class, The Woodland Class and The Meadow Class.

Throughout the morning the children will move to the class where they will be provided with an appropriate level of challenge. This will allow teaching staff to personalise the learning of the children in their groups further, the largest group will have 10 children in. Staff are excited about working in this new more personalised way.

Next Year: Prompt Arrival at School

In order to make our new classes work we will be following a strict timetable throughout the school starting with a 'Phonics, Spellings and Grammar' lesson at **9:05am**.

In order for children not to miss out on this lesson it is vital that they arrive promptly at school at **8:55am** so that they can be settled, ready to start learning and not disturb others learning by arriving late.

Thank you for your cooperation with this.

Next Year: Prompt Start

All staff in school will be required first thing in the morning for the 'Phonics, Spellings and Grammar' lesson. Therefore, staff will also need to be inside school for a prompt start at 8:55am. We value though, our open door policy and our relationship with our families. If you wish to speak to a member of staff in the morning, please arrive with time to do this or arrange to meet them at the end of the day. Thank you for your support.

Next Year: Breakfast and After School Club

Please find with this letter a copy of the ASC letter for the Autumn Term 2017. We have covered dates from September to December, booking forms for after half term do not need to

be in until October 31st and the letter is available on the school website.

In September, to complement our thriving ASC, we will be starting a Breakfast Club. Please see the attached letter for more information.

Next Year: Forest Schools

You have probably seen our sign outside school about Forest Schools. We are looking forward to starting Forest Schools in the new academic year. The children will work in small groups

Holiday Safety

In school, we have reminded the children road safety, stranger danger and on-line safety. During the summer, please continue to remind your children about keeping safe. Useful websites to support this are listed below.

Online Safety - <https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/>

Stranger Danger - <http://www.ncpc.org/topics/violent-crime-and-personal-safety/strangers>

Road Safety - <http://think.direct.gov.uk/education/early-years-and-primary/parents/>

School Uniform Reminder

Our school uniform is – a white or red shirt or polo shirt; a red sweatshirt with (optional) Marston Montgomery logo; grey / black trousers or shorts; skirt or pinafore dress; a red gingham dress and appropriate school footwear.

Our PE Kit is – a plain white t-shirt (with optional school logo), no buttons as these cause problems during gym; black / navy shorts; black / navy jogging bottoms (small, discreet logo permitted at top); trainers for outdoor PE; black pumps for indoor PE and gym.

The children also need to have a named water bottle in school every day.

Classroom Equipment

School will provide all equipment required, if your child wishes to bring a SMALL pencil case they may do so.

Term Dates

The term dates for the next academic year are at the bottom of the letter. When we return in September 2017 we will send out a dates booklet for the whole year.

Burton Albion Holiday Clubs

Burton Schools

Burton Albion Community Trust are hosting their mixed and girls-only Summer holiday camp at the Burton Albion Community Football Centre between Monday 24th July – Friday 25th August. You can book £12 per day in advance, £14 on the day, or £50 for the week. Book at burtonalbioncommunitytrust.co.uk or call 01283 565938.

Uttoxeter Schools

Burton Albion Community Trust are hosting their mixed and girls-only Summer holiday camp at Windsor Park Middle School between Monday 24th July – Friday 28th July & Monday 21st August – Friday 25th August. You can book £12 per day in advance, £14 on the day, or £50 for the week. Book at burtonalbioncommunitytrust.co.uk or call 01283 565938.

Wishing you all a sun filled, relaxing summer

Teresa Bosley
Head Teacher

Term Dates – September 2017 to July 2018

3 INSET days still to be confirmed

AUTUMN TERM 2017	
INSET	Monday 4 th September 2017
School opens	Tuesday 5 th September 2017
Term ends	Friday 20 th October 2017
HALF TERM	Monday 23 rd October to Friday 27 th October 2017
School opens	Monday 30 th October 2017
Term ends	Tuesday 19 th December 2017
Christmas Holiday	Wednesday 20 th December 2017 to Tuesday 2 nd January 2018
SPRING TERM 2018	
INSET	Tuesday 2 nd January 2018
School opens	Wednesday 3 rd January 2018
Term ends	Friday 9 th February 2018
HALF TERM	Monday 12 th February 2018 to Friday 16 th February 2018 (Shrovetide)
School opens	Monday 19 th February 2018
Term ends	Friday 23 rd March 2018
Easter Holiday	Monday 26 th March to Friday 6 th April 2018
SUMMER TERM 2018	
School opens	Monday 9 th April 2018
Term ends	Friday 25 th May 2018
HALF TERM	Monday 28 th May to Friday 1 st June 2018
School opens	Monday 4 th June 2018
Term ends	Friday 20 th July 2018