

Marsden Community Primary School



Newsletter March 2018

Dear Parents / Carers

Our Mission	Our Expectations	Our Values
At Marsden Primary School we promote an educationally sound, safe and challenging environment in which everyone is actively engaged in learning		Respect Tolerance Good Manners Being supportive Being motivated Being responsible Forgiveness

We are almost at the end of another very busy term and already we are looking forward to the Summer Term events that will be taking place.

I am sure your children have told you about the varied activities that they have enjoyed this term. All year groups have been busy enjoying visits out of school to various places of interest as well as raising money for charity and learning new skills.

Parent Teacher Meetings - 19th April 2018

By now you will have all received a letter asking you to choose a time slot to meet with your child's class teacher. This is a very important meeting and all parents **MUST** attend. If you do not choose a time slot one will be provided for you.

As with our previous Parent Teacher Meeting in November, school will officially finish at **1.45pm** so that all parents have an opportunity to meet with the class teacher.

This means that ALL children on the 19th of April will need to be collected, promptly, from school at 1.45pm



BookPeople

On the 16th of April, from 3:20pm to

4:00pm we will be selling books from the Book People. There will be a more varied choice of books at a more reasonable price.

We will also open the Book Fair on the evening of the 19th of April.

Please support us by buying books as the money raised will go towards our school library. It is also a lovely way to reward your children for working hard all year.

Reasons to be proud







Together We Can Discover, Create and Succeed

On Monday the 12th of March our choir joined other schools at King Georges Hall in Blackburn. They sang a variety of songs and their beautiful voices filled all those who went to watch, with emotions of joy. Our children were truly amazing. Mr Boult led the choir and he was ably supported by the talented Mrs Macquarrie and Mr Stansfield. All three teachers also sang a song as part of the teacher's choir. A great evening was had by everyone who attended!

Mr Boult also arranged for our partner schools: Wheatly Lane and Marsden St Johns to join us for a Musical Extravaganza on Monday the 19th of March in our School Sports Hall. This event celebrated the talents of the 'Sing Together Choir'; violinists from Marsden St Johns and Marsden Primary; Year 6 dancers and there was even a solo performance from Mr Stansfield. The evening was compared by Mrs Berry.

Mr Boult said; "Both events were wonderful. Musical talents were recognised from schools across Pendle. It was great to see such a large and supportive audience".

Videos of both events can be seen on our website.



World Book Day

It was great to see all the children dressed as their favourite coloured crayon on our World Book Day. The day was filled with activities related to the book 'The Day the Crayons Quit'. 5S wrote their own poems about crayons.

This is Zain and Saiel's poem:

Everything Green

Gigantic T-Rex stomping in the Middle Ages Little green budgies living in cages Big trees moving as the wind is blowing Crocodiles swinging in the river flowing A green Lamborghini racing down the road Hop, hop, hop jumps the green toad.

This is Arwaa and Mahnoor' poem

Red

Colour with me, it will be fun
Run and play wearing red
Amazing fun fills the way
Years go by and I never wear out
On angry days, I get popular
Next time you see me just give me a break.



The children were also entertained by our teachers who performed the actual story 'The Day the Crayons Quit' in a special assembly which launched the day. Thank you to Mrs Macquarrie for organising this fabulous day.

Reading Café

Mrs Patel and Mrs Ditta, ran the Reading Café which was open to Reception and Year 1 - this was a huge success and well attended. The children and parents thoroughly enjoyed their time reading together and sharing snacks. Thank you to all the parents who came along for the afternoon.



We Can Discover, Create and Succeed

Class Assemblies:

This year Class Assemblies have been introduced to celebrate the learning that is taking place in each class. They take place on a Thursday from 2.30pm. Below are the dates for when your child's class assembly will be:

So far 2S, 1M, 3S, 6M, 4S, 2M and 1S have had their assemblies and the children have been fabulous! Thank you to the teachers and children for their hardwork.





Date	Class		
22.03.18	5M		
26.04.18	58		
10.05.18	3M		
14.06.18	4M		
24.05.18	RM		
21.06.18	68		
05.07.18	RS		







Online Safety Talk:

Thank you to those parents who attended the meeting on Tuesday 19th March. These are the key messages from the meeting:

Talk to your children about the games they are playing and what they are accessing on-line. Tell them to tell you if they are worried about something.

Be aware, and ensure that your children are aware, that all online activity leaves a "digital footprint" that lasts forever.

Make sure that they keep all their settings private and that their passwords are strong.

Make sure that they report any forms of on-line bullying or harassment immediately.

Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club runs every morning. Because it is sponsored by Greggs Bakery, we are able to offer it to you free of charge. If you are interested, please contact the School Office. In addition, if your children do attend, please do not leave them unsupervised in the playground. There is no school supervision until 8.20 when Breakfast Club begins so you are responsible for your children until 8.20.

Holiday Club

Holiday Club will run during the Easter holiday - from Tuesday 3rd April to Friday 6th April. As always, we have a wealth of exciting activities planned for the children so they can be creative and, most importantly, have lots of fun. Thank you for your continued support and contribution to make the Holiday Club a success.

Attendance

Thank you to all families who have not taken their children out of school for an extended period of time. You have supported the school in working towards achieving our target of 96% attendance.

Please be reminded that you should not be making arrangements to take your children out of school during Term time. If you do need to take your child out of school, please ensure that you do not book any tickets before discussing your individual circumstances with me.

RM	1M	2M	3M	4M	5M	6M
90.7%	94.7%	95.3%	95.8%	96.1%	96.0%	95.2%
RS	15	28	35	45	58	68
90.8%	90.6%	95.7%	92.5%	97.3%	95.2%	95.8%

Farewell

At the end of this term we say farewell to Mrs Jean Shephard (Year 5 LSA). We thank her for her contributions to the School over the past 18 years.

Finally

Thank-you for your support this term. Have a lovely holiday!