

# Newsletter – Autumn 2 2021

Dear Parents / Carers,

Welcome back to our second half term of the year. The weather is definitely changing, the heating is on and the days are getting shorter! Please make sure children come to school with appropriate clothing (e.g. warm, waterproof coats, hats and gloves) this allows the children the opportunity to have break time outside in most weathers.

#### Office Staff Hours

#### **LLPS**

Monday – Mrs Watts between 10am and 3:30pm Tuesday – Mrs Lovett from 8:45am Thursday and Friday – Mrs Murby between 9am and 3pm

#### **MMPS**

Mrs Lovett will be in the school office on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8:45am.

#### Dinner money

The price of a child's meal is - £2.20, so a week costs £11.00.

The cost of school meals for this half term is - £81.40

School meals must be paid for in advance, you may either pay weekly, monthly or for the whole half term. We are unable to accept payment unless it is in a clearly labelled envelope, thank you.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils continue to receive universal free school meals so there is no need to pay.

#### **Drop off and Collection**

Thank you to our parents who ensure their children arrive promptly for the start of the school day, this allows your children to be settled and ready to learn as soon as lessons begin. When children arrive after 8:55am they miss the beginning of the day, this means they are not settled in for the start of the day and that they miss important learning time. Children arriving late also disrupts the learning for the rest of the class. Late arrival is recorded in the register.

Please ensure you collect your children promptly at 3:30pm. Children who are not collected on time may have to attend after school club and a charge may be made. Please remember, there is no after school club on a Friday at both schools and at Marston on a Wednesday. Staff often have meetings, appointments or plans on these days and at times these plans have been affected when children have not been collected on time. We thank you for your support in collecting your children promptly.

We understand that occasionally things can go wrong in the morning / afternoon and this may mean that you are unable to arrive on time. On these rare occasions please contact school as soon as you are aware you will be late. This is particularly important at the end of the day.

#### Online Safety

Please visit our school website <u>HERE</u> for information relating to online safety. The page has links to useful websites and copies of our policy documents.

#### **Tuck Shop - reminder**

Tuck Shop continues to be open on a Monday and Friday at both MMPS and LLPS.

The children are able to buy a cereal bar. Cereal bars cost 20p each. The Tuck Shop will be run by older children in the Meadow Class. If the children would like to buy a bar they will need to bring a small purse containing 20p (we will not be giving change).



## **Events in autumn 2 2021 (November and December)**

#### Children in Need – 19/11/21

The children may wear their own clothes today, please send a donation for Children in Need to school.

#### Open Morning – Writing – 24/11/21

Parents will be invited to join us in school for an hour to take part in an English lesson. Please look for information about this nearer the time.

#### **INSET Day - 26/11/21**

School will be closed to children on this day.

#### **Show and Share - 03/12/21**

Please look for information about this nearer the time.

#### Christmas Dinner and Party – 20/12/21

The children will enjoy a delicious Christmas dinner followed by our Christmas Party today. All of this will take place during school time. The children may wear their own clothes today.

#### Sleeping Beauty Pantomime – 21/12/21

The children will go to Derby Arena to watch the panto. We will have an early lunch and depart school at 12:15pm. Our expected time of arrival back at school is approx. 4:45pm, but we will update parents if there are any delays. If you have not yet returned your permission slip, please do so ASAP. Thank you

#### **Christmas Holiday**

School closes at 3:30pm on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> December 2021 for the Christmas holiday. School reopens on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022.

#### **Events we enjoyed in autumn 1 2021 (September and October)**

#### **Music Lessons**

Our children in the Meadow Class at both schools have been participating in music lessons through Derbyshire's Wider Opportunities Program. Soon they will begin to learn the flute.

#### Phonics Open Morning (22/09/21)

It was lovely to welcome parents to school so that we could share what phonics looks like in school and how you can support your children at home. Thank you to everyone who attended.

#### MacMillan Coffee (24/09/20)

Both schools enjoyed welcoming family members to enjoy a cup of tea and a piece of cake with us on this day. The Acorn Federation raised an amazing £305, thank you to everyone who supported our events.

#### **Harvest Service**

It was wonderful to celebrate Harvest in Church this year with our families. The children were wonderful, reminding us of the plentiful food we have available.

Thank you for your kind donations, Ashbourne Foodbank were very pleased to receive such a large amount of food.

# Joint day (21/10/21)

The children and staff enjoyed our first joint day of the year (and for a long time) on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October. The theme for the day was Celebrating Diversity. It was particularly lovely to see the children enjoying being all together again, with them organising themselves at break time to play a LLPS versus MMPS football match!

#### 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.

w/b	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
01/11/21	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	Work from
					home
08/11/21	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS
15/11/21	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS
22/11/21	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	INSET Day
29/11/21	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	Work from
					home
06/12/21	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	MMPS
13/12/21	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS	MMPS	MMPS
20/12/21	LLPS	MMPS	LLPS		

Kind regards

Teresa Bosley Head Teacher



# **Marston Montgomery Primary School**

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

Booking forms for BC and ASC were sent out before the half term holiday, if you require a new one please ask a member of staff. Please remember that places need to be booked a week in advance, so that we can ensure we have staff for each session. Please send booking requests to Mrs Lovett — mlovett@acornfed.derbyshire.sch.uk thank you.

#### **Christmas Cards**

The Village hall are selling Christmas Cards this year with a winter scene of Marston as the picture. The cards are £5 for a pack of 8 and will be available to buy at the Christmas Bazaar.

# Marston Montgomery - Events in November and December

## **Outdoor Learning**

The Meadow Class will continue to participate in have their Outdoor learning sessions on a Wednesday afternoon during the Autumn 2 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 Christmas, the Garden Class will have their outdoor learning sessions.

#### Session dates

**November –** 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>

**December – 3rd, 10th, 17th** 

#### **Marston Tots**

# Our Marston Tots group meets from 9:15am 11:15am.

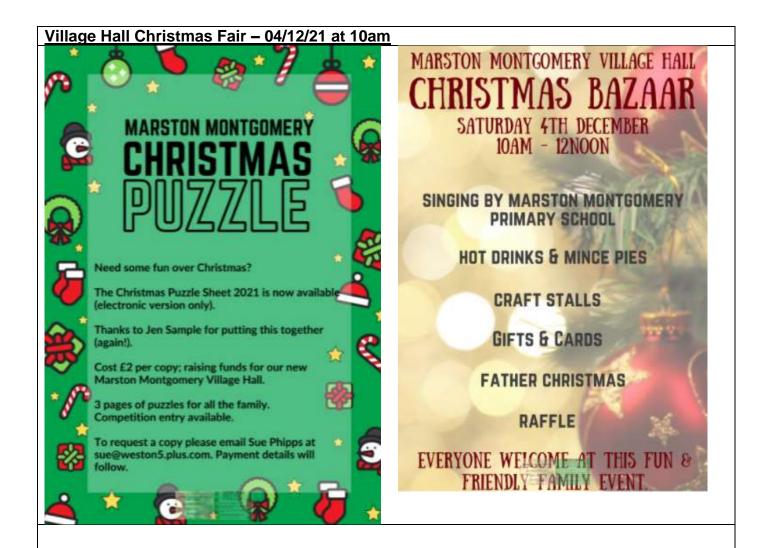
All children and parents/grandparents/carers are welcome to join us.

October	November	December	January	February		
15/10/21	12/11/21	10/12/21	14/01/22	11/02/22		
March	<b>A</b> pril	May	June	July		
11/03/22	n/a	06/05/22	10/06/22	Sports		
				Day		

You are also invited to join us on 08/07/22 for our Sports Day at Marston Montgomery at 1:15pm

Call 01889 590373 for more information





#### Nativity - 16/12/21 at 6pm

Come along and watch our whole Garden Class Nativity.

#### Christingle - 22/12/21 at 2pm

A lovely way to end the term and a reminder of the Christian meaning of Christmas, families are welcome to join us.