

Marston Montgomery Primary School



October 2016

Dear Parents,

As you will see from below we have already had a busy start to our new school year. We have welcomed our new children, taken part in a Bushcraft day and started a new lunch time sports club to name a few. That is all of course alongside our learning in class!!

Tuesday 6th September



We welcomed five new Reception children to our school today. We are all looking forward to getting to know them and their families.

Wednesday 14th September



We had our first lunch time sports club, we are all learning archery and fencing!

Tuesday 20th September



Children from Years one to six took part in the Cross-Country Competition at QEGS. The children competed in three different age groups – Y1/2, Y3/4 and Y5/6. They all tried their best and thoroughly enjoyed the event.

Wednesday 21st September



The school took part in a Bushcraft Day. We worked in eight groups to build dens, make our lunch and a hot chocolate on a fire, toast marsh-mallows and take part in a log pulling race.

Friday 23rd September

The children celebrated Harvest Festival at St Giles' Church. They performed fantastically and it was lovely to see so many of you in church to help the children celebrate. Thank you for your generous donations of produce.



Thursday 29th September



Today we welcomed our families to join us for harvest lunch. Thank you to Mrs Charlesworth who cooked us all a delicious dinner!





Friday 30th September



Many thanks to those who either donated cakes or attended the Macmillan Coffee Morning. Well done to our school prefects who organised and ran the morning. We raised £341.40.

Dates to remember this month

Open Day – This is on 13th October from 9:15 until 12:00. Everyone is welcome. If you know anyone with a child who will start school in September 2017 please tell them about the date. We also accept mid-year transfers.

Achievement Assembly – This is on 19th October at 9am. Come along to find out about the learning the children have been doing at school this half term.

Disco – This is on 20th October from 6pm until 7.30pm. Entry is £3.50 which includes a hot dog, drink and goodie bag. Fancy dress is optional.

Half Term – School closes at 3.30pm on Friday 21st October for half term and re-opens at 8:55am on Monday 31st October.

Village Events

MMCH – The Village Hall Committee require a Secretary to record the minutes of meetings and help with the administration and running of the Hall Management Committee. The Committee will pay expenses. If you are interested, please contact Mick Butler on 01889 590758. **Public Meeting** – On 18th October at 7.30pm in the Coronation Hall to inform Villagers of the plans for a new Village Hall and Car Park.

Pig Race Night – On 21st October from 7pm. £1 Entry Fee, which will be your raffle ticket to win the chance to be a jockey in one of the eight races. Hot Dogs and light refreshments will be on sale from 8pm onwards. Bring your own drinks.

Information

Staffing

We were all sad to say goodbye to Mrs Hallam, Grace and Lily when they left to start their new adventure in Scotland. We wish them all the best and hope they will stay in touch. Mrs Witham will be a mid-day supervisor and will lead an after school club session. We are delighted to welcome Mrs Witham back to school.

Governors

We have a vacancy for a Parent Governor. There is a link on the school website to the information pack if you are interested in applying or ask for a pack. Please also speak to us if you have any questions about being a parent governor. Applications must be in by 12 noon on Wednesday 19th October.

Dinner Money

Please ensure dinner money is paid in advance, **in a named envelope.** Dinner money is £10 per week or £68 for this half term. Next half term dinner money will be £70. Thank you in advance for your prompt payment.

The Weather

As the weather starts to become autumnal please ensure the children have a waterproof coat with a hood in school every day. We still go outside even when it is drizzling!

The Gym

The junior children will be going to the gym in Uttoxeter after half term. If you are able to go with the children to any or all of the dates please let us know. The dates are; - November – 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 28th December – 6th, 13th.

Fundraising

Thank you to those who have volunteered to help with fundraising. If you would like to get involved in fundraising please let us know.

Everybody can sign up to Easy Fundraising by using this link,-

http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/find-a-cause/?t=cause&q=Marston+Montgomery+School

Over the last 7 years we have raised £978.82.

easyfundraising.org.uk is a great way to raise money for schools and other good causes just by shopping online. You don't pay anything extra. Please sign up today, think how much we could raise in the run up to Christmas!

Kind regards

Teresa Bosley Headteacher

Dates for your diary

<u>October</u>	
10.10.16	Juniors Swimming (fingers crossed!)
12.10.16	Junior trip to Crich Tramway Museum
13.10.16	Open Day (9:30am – 12:00pm)
14.10.16	Marston Tots (9:15am – 11:15am)
17.10.16	Juniors Swimming
18.10.16	Flu Immunisations for Y1, Y2 and Y3
19.10.16	Achievement Assembly (9:00am – all welcome)
20.10.16	Disco (6:00pm – 7:30pm)
	School closes for half term (3:30pm)
21.10.16	Village Event – Pig Racing (7pm at the Village
	Hall)

	School reopens (8:55am)
	Juniors Swimming

November		
03.11.16	Parents' Evening	
04.11.16	Marston Tots (9:15am – 11:15am)	
07.11.16	Uniform orders to be in this week	
	Juniors Swimming	
14.11.16	Juniors Swimming	
18.11.16	Marston Tots (9:15am – 11:15am)	
	Children in Need – further details to be provided	
	nearer the time	
21.11.16	Juniors Swimming	
22.11.16	Tag Rugby at QEGS (1pm – 3pm)	
28.11.16	Juniors Swimming	
30.11.16	Show and Share (8:30am – 8:45am)	

<u>December</u>		
02.12.16	Marston Tots (9:15am – 11:15am)	
03.12.16	Village Event – Christmas Bazaar	
06.12.16	Infant Nativity (2pm and 6pm)	
08.12.16	Sports Plus Festival at QEGS	
14.12.16	Christmas Lunch and Party	
16.12.16	Marston Tots (9:15am – 11:15am)	
	Christingle (2pm in St Giles Church)	
	School closes for Christmas (3:30pm)	
19 &	INSET Days – school closed for children	
20.12.16		