21st September 2018

#### **Dear Parents**

It has been a busy week at MJS with school photos, a maths challenge and lots of exciting learning in every year group. The year three children are so confident coming into school each morning, it is brilliant to see ©

Miss Turner and I led an upper school assembly this afternoon about online safety and kind behaviour to Y5 and 6. This is because of a number of incidents since the start of term where children have been unkind to each other online while playing games at home. This then leads to children being anxious to come into school in case the unkind comments continue. We shared the video that Prince William was involved in promoting. You can find it here: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RGcLa-vyxVQ">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RGcLa-vyxVQ</a>. In the assembly we talked about how important it is for children to consider the impact of their behaviour and also how important it is to stand up for your friend if you see something happening that is wrong.

It is really easy to think that our own children would never behave like that but they do. Please can we encourage you to carefully monitor your child's online use, especially if they are using headphones and a microphone to talk to other children. Starting these good habits from Y3 would be brilliant. Thank you so much for your continued support.

Just to note, we are always happy to support your child if something inappropriate does happen online. We can deal with issues swiftly and discreetly and closely monitor children's behaviour in school as well to ensure they are happy coming in and are ready to learn.

#### **MJS PTA Meeting**

At Marchwood Junior School we are blessed to have an amazingly supportive and active PTA that work tirelessly to help ensure that our children have a great time on their journey through the Juniors. They arrange a sequence of carefully planned activities to enrich the lives of our pupils whilst also raising vital funds for key investments in our school.

On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September the PTA will be holding their AGM in the school library at 5:00 p.m. Please can we encourage you to come along and the meet the present PTA and find more about the opportunities they provide and how you might be able to support this.

#### **Maths Challenge**

We were delighted to represent MJS in this year's maths challenge and absolutely loved it, especially the refreshments and the biscuits (Ben and Harry had 6 biscuits each)! Each and every question was unique and challenging which tested our brains to the brim. We also wanted to say a big thank you to all of the helpers from Applemore (and Miss Taplin) for letting us participate in this amazing event as the 'Four Operations'. Us as a four really believe in the next generation (Year 5) and urge them to push themselves to win the Mathematics Cup and bring the glory home.

Ben, Lucy, Harry and Isabella (The Four Operations)

## Sports @ MJS

Last year was a stunning year for sports at MJS and we are really pleased to share the results from the New Forest School Sports Partnership. Due to the dedication and talent of our incredible children, MJS finished second in the partnership's medal table with a superb 11 gold medals and 22 medals in total.

New Forest Primary Schools Medal Table 2017-18								
Rank	School	All Schools T GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	Total			
2	Abbotswood	14	7	5	26			
1	Marchwood	11	10	1	22			
3	Hordle	5	4	3	12			
4	Pennington	2		6	8			
5	Brockenhurst	2	3	1	6			
6	Bartley	2	2	2	6			
7	Orchard	2	1	2	5			
9	Foxhills	2		1	3			
8	Lymington	1	2	1	4			
10	St Luke's	1		1	2			

Although this is fantastic, what we are really pleased to announce is that MJS finished top of the Participation table!! As a school we entered 112 teams into 45 different events. Also pleasing was that this led to 52% of our children representing the school, mainly due to our commitment to entering so many C+ teams to ensure as many children as possible benefited from the experiences available.

Can we please thank all the staff that give up so much of their time to create the special memories for our children.

KS2 Schools Table									
Rank	School	Competitions	A Teams	B Teams	C+ Teams	Total Team			
1	Marchwood Junior	45	45	35	32	112			
2	Abbotswood Junior	42	42	36	21	99			
3	Hordle Primary	27	27	20	22	69			
4	Pennington Junior	32	32	18	3	53			
5	Milford Primary	24	24	14	8	46			
6	Foxhills Junior	24	24	13	5	42			
7	<b>Brockenhurst Primary</b>	26	26	8	4	38			
8	St. Lukes Primary	25	25	10	1	36			
9	Blackfield Primary	21	21	7	7	35			
10	Bartley Junior	17	17	10	3	30			

Please find attached at the bottom of this week's newsletter a list of all the events that we plan to attend in this year's NFSSP calendar.

## A reminder from the Junior Leadership Team

On Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> September between 10:30 and 4:30 we would like to put together a team of volunteers to make a start on creating our own outdoor problem solving area. The group will be clearing the space of some shrubs, wheel barrowing earth and gravel, cutting back trees, packing tyres with earth and possibly more. If you can give up an hour or more of your time to support us it would be fantastic.

If any volunteers could bring some tools (especially a wheelbarrow) to help with the work as well it would be great as the school has limited number of suitable utensils.



Within school we hear of and deal with issues between children as a result of playing games online – currently the trend is for the online game 'Fortnite'. Does this sound familiar to you or are you interested in how to safeguard your child online? If so then please read on for a few hints and tips (by no means is this a be all and end all guide – more food for thought).

#### Are there any age restrictions?

Fortnite is rated 12+ by <u>PEGI, Pan European Game Information</u> for its frequent scenes of mild violence, meaning it is deemed unsuitable for children under the age of 12. This rating is simply advisory for parents. As with all games of this type, children younger than 12 are engaging with the game. Therefore, it is important that parents are aware of all the safety concerns around Fortnite and can facilitate safer gameplay for their children.

#### What steps can you take to safeguard your child?

If opening account, it is important that they do not create a username that could give away any personal details. There is also no age verification process. Therefore, be aware of the risks if your child has, or wants to, open an account.

Fortnite offers three levels of privacy settings: Public, where anyone can enter your child's online party; Friends, where only friends can join a party; and Private, which means that no one can enter your child's party without being invited by the child themselves. Discuss the level appropriate to your child. Fortnite also allows for Voice-Chat to be disabled. Make yourself and your child familiar with the game's settings and, if you deem it inappropriate, turn Voice-Chat off.

Speak to your child about unwanted contact and tell them what to do if someone speaks to them in a nasty or inappropriate way, or asks them for personal information. Ask them to come to you if they are unsure about unwanted contact or have be exposed to something inappropriate.

#### **Multiplayer Gameplay**

Fortnite's Battle Royale mode is a multiplayer game where, either individually or in squads, players from around the globe pit themselves against each other in last-man-standing-type games involving up to 100 players. It is from this mode that the real safety concerns around Fortnite stem, and especially its unmoderated chat functionality – as players are open to communications, either by voice or on-screen, from anyone they are playing with. As with other games with chat functions, children may be at risk of exposure to inappropriate language, extremism or, in extreme cases, grooming.

Thank you for reading our e-safety update. Please keep an eye on future newsletters for more hints and tips

Reference: parentzone.org.uk

Best wishes

Mrs Anderson & Mr Hoskins Headteacher and Deputy Head

# **Diary Dates**

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Year 6 Lepe Beach

Monday 1st October - Year 5 Winchester Trip

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Parents Evening 4-7 p.m.- Details to follow

Thursday 11th October – Parents Evening 4-6 p.m. – Details to follow

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> October – Year 2 Open Morning 9.30 – 10.30 a.m.

Thursday 11th October – Travelling Book Fair – In school until 18.10.18

Friday 12th October – Love Day in school

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Year 6 Kingswood I.O.W visit for the week

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October – Half Term Week

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October – Mobile Planetarium in school for Year 5 – Details to follow

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – PTA Bags 2 Schools

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – PTA Fireworks Event – Details to follow

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November – PTA Donations day – Details to follow

Monday 26th November – Assessment weeks for Years 3,4,& 5

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Lower School Performance at 2.00 p.m.

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December – Lower school Performance at 2.00 p.m.

Tuesday 11th December – Flu Immunisations for Years 3,4 & 5 – Details to follow

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December – Upper School Performance at 2.00 p.m.

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Upper School Performance at 2.00 p.m.

Monday 17th December – Love of Christmas Day & Christmas Jumper Day

Tuesday 18th December – Christmas Dinner day

Friday 21st December – Last day of Term

Monday 7th January 2019 – Back to school

#### Inset days

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2018 Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019 Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2019 Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2019





# Marchwood Yacht Club Saturday 29th September

We are brewing between 10 and 12 noon. Come along and support this most worthwhile event and enjoy a coffee or tea and a cake or 2. If you can bring a cake, bake it or fake it, that will be great.

For more details email annettedunham@yahoo.co.uk melanie.leeder@hotmail.co.uk





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# **New Forest Sports Dates 2018-19**

Date	Comp	Time	Venue	Staff
Fr 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Table Tennis	3.30 - 5.30	Testwood	Mr Pepin
Mon 8 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Y3/4 and Y5/6 Tri Golf	1.30 – 4.30	Testwood	Mr Smart
Thurs 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cross Country Relay	1.30 - 3.30	Gang Warily	Mr Hoskins
Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Orienteering	9.30 – 11.30	Tile Barn	Mr Smart
Wed 31st Oct	Yr 3/4 Quicksticks	9:30 - 11:30	Ballard	Mr Jacobs
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Handball	9.30 - 12.00	Testwood	Mr Smart
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Boys 3G Footie	12.30 – 4.30	Applemore	Mr Smart
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Sportshall League	3:45 - 5:45	Testwood	Mr Hoskins
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Girl 3G Footie	12.30 – 4.30	Applemore	Mr Hoskins
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Dodgeball	3.45-5.45	Testwood	Mr Smart
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Futsal	3.30-5.30	Testwood	Mr Smart
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Y3/4 Gymnastic	1.30 - 3.30	Noadswood	Mrs Hallinan
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Badminton	1.30 – 4.30	Testwood	Mr Pepin
Tues 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jan	Sportshall League	3:45 - 5:45	Testwood	Mr Hoskins
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Basketball	3:30 - 6:00	Noadswood	Mr Smart
Tues 29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Yr 3/4 Boys 3G Footie	1.00 – 4.30	Applemore	Mr Smart
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	Sportshall Athletics	10:00 – 1:30	Testwood	Mr Hoskins
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Gymnastics	1.00 - 3.30	Noadswood	Mrs Hallinan
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Cross Country	1:30 - 3:30	Gang Warily	Mr Hoskins
Tues 28th Feb	Hockey	1:30 - 4:30	Priestlands	Mr Jacobs
Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Yr 3/4 Sportshall Athletics	10:00 – 1:30	Testwood	Mr Hoskins
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Y6 Mountain Biking	9.30 - 3.30	Tile Barn	Mr Hoskins
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Yr 3/4 High 5 Netball	12.00 - 3.30	Priestlands	Mr Smart
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Girls Football	1.00 - 5.00	Brock College	Mr Hoskins
Thurs 21st Mar	Boys Football	12:00 – 5:00	Brock College	Mr Smart
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Sportshall League	3:45 - 5:45	Testwood	Mr Hoskins
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Tag Rugby	9:30 - 5:00	Brock College	Mr Colmer
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> April	Yr 3/4 Tennis	9:30 – 1:00	Lymington	Mr Smart
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Yr 3/4 Tag Rugby	1:00 - 5:00	Brock College	Mr Colmer
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	High 5 Netball	9:30 - 5:00	Soton Sports	Miss Taplin
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Yr 3/4 Tennis	9.30 – 1.30	Ringwood	Mr Smart
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Yr 3/4 Tennis	9:30 – 1.00	Hale Gardens	Mr Smart
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Yr 3/4 Tennis	8.45 – 1.00	Totton	Mr Smart
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Tennis	9.30 – 1.00	Lymington	Mr Smart
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> May	Yr 3/4 Cross Country	1.00 – 2.30	Ashley	Mr Hoskins
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 3/4 NF Tennis Finals	8.45 – 1.30	Totton	Mr Smart
Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Athletics	1:30 - 5:30	Soton Sports	Mr Hoskins
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> June	Mixed Kwik Cricket	9:30 - 5:00	Fawley	Mr Scallan
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Girls Kwik Cricket	9.30 – 4:30	Totton	Mrs Anderson
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Tennis	8:45 – 1:30	Totton	Mr Smart
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Volleyball	2.00 – 4.00	Ballard	Mr Pepin
Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Yr 3/4 Quadkids	2:00 - 5:00	Soton Sports	Mr Hoskins
Tues 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Y3/4 Continous Cricket	1.30 - 5.00	Langley Manor	Freddie
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Rounders	2.30 - 6.00	Testwood	Mr Jacobs