



Marchwood Junior School

Our Learning Family that Inspires you to Dream

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Dear Parents

It has been a very enjoyable but calm week at school. The children's learning behaviour has been excellent and our new children have settled quickly into our routines.

Year 3 children: Next week they will enter and exit the school through the children's gate with the rest of the year groups. Please could we ask all parents to stand right back from the gate to give us a chance to disperse the children safely?

Break time snacks: In assembly on Tuesday I reminded the children about healthy snacks (fruit and veg) at break time as some of our children are tempted to eat much of their lunch. Snack shack remains an option for all children if you do not have fruit or veg.

Great manners: Also in assembly I reminded the children what an important skill it is to be able to greet an adult politely. Y3 children have been especially great this week at the gate making eye contact, smiling and saying good morning. It has been lovely to see!

Year 6 Marchwood Visit

Yesterday Year 6 made their way down to the seafront at Marchwood. It was the start of their 'preservation' topic - looking at coastal erosion and thinking about ways to preserve it. We embarked on four activities: the history and geographical features of the area, a drama activity - considering the viewpoints of different people regarding preserving/ developing the area, and an art activity - sketching the views. The weather was kind to us and we had a fun and informative day out which leads us nicely into our forthcoming Lepe Trip. The children were beautifully behaved – a great start to year 6! Many thanks to the parents who gave up their time to come along with us and huge thanks to Marchwood Yacht Club who kindly allowed us to use their facilities. A real community effort!








Junior Leadership Team 2019-2020 written by JLT

This week, the Junior Leadership Team, 2019-2020, met for the first time. During this meeting, we discussed what we think will be of interest to all of our Marchwood family. We will endeavour to make Marchwood Junior School even more magical than it is now. We have a lot of ideas (we mean tonnes!) and we are looking forward to sharing these to bring great happiness to all in our school. Look out for our display, which will soon show these ideas in the reception area.



Lunchtime Enrichment

Lunchtime enrichment has launched this week and has been a super success! The library has been filled with children reading books, being read to by an adult, playing with lego, playing chess, doing homework and enjoying pilates! We put a timetable outside the library for each week's activities but if you wish to show your child this weekend, next week's activities are:

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Library	Library open 	Teacher Read Mr Hoskins: The Gruffalo 	What's the question? 	Non Fiction – Coasts 	Library open 
Club	Construction Club	Pilates	Mindfulness Colouring	Chess Club	National Doodle Day

Applying for a secondary school place

If you are a parent of a Year 6 child you will have received a letter advising you to apply for a secondary school place for your child. The application window to apply is now open but please note that schools are not allocated on a first come/first served basis. All on-time applications will be considered after the closing date of 31st October 2019.

Junior Road Safety Officers

The Junior Road Safety Officers, Alex Cutcliffe and Gabrielle Simmonds and their deputies Tegan Edwards and Millie Burford, have been busy planning some exciting events. They aim to promote road safety around school.



Friday 4th October	Bikers Breakfast: As a one-off event (we are currently exploring the possibility of permanent bike storage) children can ride their bike to school and store it in a designated area on the playground. ASDA have kindly offered a free breakfast for all those children who take part.
Tuesday 15th October	Park and Stride: Park and Stride is an initiative for those children who have to be driven to or from school. The aim is for parents to only drive part of the way, park and then walk the rest. We will launch this initiative after school on Tuesday 15 th October whereby children can walk safely in a group down to the Lloyd Recreational Ground in order to be picked up by their parents. Parents are welcome to join us on the walk.

Mr Scallan will explain these events to the children in this Tuesday's assembly and will provide more details in up and coming newsletters.

PTA AGM

Our PTA will be holding their AGM on Wednesday 25th September at 5pm. If you are interested in getting involved in some of the amazing work the team does, please come along.

Dodgeball

If anyone is still interested in attending Dodgeball club on a Tuesday or Wednesday after school, please collect the relevant form from the school office. This will be starting on Tuesday 17th September.



Free school Meals

If you think you may be entitled to free school meals please contact a member of the school office who will be able to check with you on provision of a few details.

Best wishes

Mrs Anderson & Mr Hoskins
Headteacher and Deputy Head

Diary Dates

17th September – School Photographs
23rd September – Year 3 Question of Faith Day
25th September – PTA AGM Meeting 5.00 p.m.
26th September – Year 6 Lepe Beach trip
30th September – Year 5 Winchester Trip
2nd October – Year 4 Rockbourne Trip
4th October – Bags 2 schools collection day.
4th October – Bikers' Breakfast
9th October – Parents Evening 4-7 p.m.
10th October – Parents Evening 4-6 p.m.
10th October – Year 2 open Morning 9.30 – 10.30 a.m.
14th October – Year 3 Staplewood visit
14th October – Kingswood information evening 5.00 p.m.
16th October – Y6 ACE 2:15 p.m.
18th October – Original love Day
21st – 25th October – Year 6 Kingswood Trip & Activity Week
23rd October – Harvest Festival
24th October – Y4 ACE 2:15 p.m.
28th October – 1st November – Half Term

Inset days

11th November
13th January
6th March
26th June