



MUSIC MARK
SCHOOL



Malborough with South Huish C of E (VC) Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back! I hope that you all had a good half-term break. We have another busy few weeks ahead of us with a number of exciting activities and sports events planned. Please check our diary of events details in the newsletter and on our website for further information.

ASH WEDNESDAY

On Wednesday we held our Ash Wednesday Service in the church. It was lovely to welcome back Father Daniel, who has been away on sabbatical.

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent, a time for reflection. Father Daniel explained that the palms from last year's Palm Sunday Service are burnt and the ash from this is used to make the sign of the cross on Christians' foreheads.



CYBER SECURITY

On Thursday Class 4 were visited by PCs Simon Cooper and Rob Irving to discuss cyber security, social media, internet safety and cyber bullying. The children were quite surprised at the age at which people are allowed to use apps like Snapchat and WhatsApp.



At the end of the presentation the officers challenged the children with a quiz that had different scenarios.

The children had to run to the area of the classroom designated for the answer. They had remembered all of information they had been given and they now know how to

keep safe online and what to do if they have a concern. The children asked lots of questions, Hunter asked, "What do you have in your police bag?" and Amelie wanted to know what the officers first ever job in the police was and has policing changed since the officers trained.

BUSY CLASS 1!

This week class one had a special visitor for their eye test! A nurse came to school and the children wore some very fashionable glasses and showed off their fabulous eyesight skills with a matching game. The nurse couldn't believe how polite and well behaved the children were during the test! Well done Class 1!



The children have been learning about Palm Sunday in RE this week, learning all about the special Donkey that Jesus chose to carry him on Palm Sunday. Inspired by this the children made their own donkey from our junk modelling resources and named him Rainbow! They talked about how it must have felt for the donkey to be selected by Jesus and how Jesus made everyone feel special, even if they weren't grand or important! Welcome to the class Rainbow!



ROMANS IN DEVON

This week, Class 3 visited the RAMM museum to learn about Romans in Devon. This was used as a pre-teaching opportunity before the children learn about the Romans in the summer term. The learning activities were amazing! The children were able to dress up as Roman civilians as well as Roman soldiers. We designed our own oil lamps which we learnt were used for light and to worship the gods.



The children were also given a tour of the museum where they were shown a variety of Roman artefacts that were found in Exeter!



After which they were shown lots of different foods and accessories the Roman would use in their daily lives.



Finally, the children learnt about mosaics and how to write their name in Latin which is the language the Romans used.

The children were very well behaved all day and enjoyed visiting the museum and seeing all of the incredible artefacts.

LITERACY IN ACTION

In English this week, Class 3 have been looking at their new text 'A River'. The children have enjoyed looking at all the different and beautiful pictures in this book and we discussed how each picture made us feel and why. The children had to learn some sentences from the book. Some children chose a sentence from the jungle and others from the city. They thought of some great actions to help them to remember the sentences! Ask them to show you at home!



MUSICAL CLASS 2

This week Class 2 have started looking at Gustave Holst's Mars from The Planets suite and had great fun using the Djembe drums to create staccato and legato rhythms with a dance interpretation.

In PSHE we have been learning about money and considering what we need and want to buy.



FOREST SCHOOL

This week the children made some clay sculptures during the Forest School sessions as well as having a lot of fun in the mud kitchen!



ECO CLUB

This week our Eco club have been busy painting stones for our spiritual garden! They used acrylic pens to create their designs! We are very impressed with their creativity.



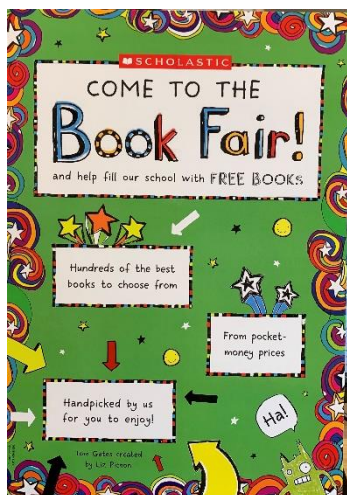
On Friday morning some of our school Eco Warriors along with Mrs Tann, met with David Curry from Devon Living Churchyards Project to discuss ways in which to encourage more pollinating species to our churchyard as well as our school outside area. The children were keen to share their ideas and get a plan together for the coming spring season.

BAKA JAMA

This week we have been visited by volunteers from Baka Jama Elementary School our partner school in Ethiopia.

The School Council have met to plan how we can raise money to help the school buy paper for the children.

Details to follow soon!



BOOK FAIR

We will be running our fund-raising Scholastic Book Fair every afternoon next week from 3.30pm. Please do come along and take a look at the wonderful variety of books on sale.

Every book you buy raises money for the school to purchase books for our school library.

Thank you for your support.

YEAR R & 6 HEIGHT AND WEIGHT CHECK

The school nurse will be coming into school on Thursday 2nd March to conduct the height and weight check for the children in Years R and 6. *If you would prefer that your child didn't take part, please let Mrs Roberto in the school office know.* Thank you.

PTFA MEETING

The PTFA will be holding a meeting on **Monday 27th February at 3.30pm** in the Collective Worship Room. The meeting will be to vote in parent members and plan events for the rest of the year. Please do join us if you can. Everyone welcome.

CLASS 1 GARDEN CENTRE

Mrs Nixon would be grateful for any donations (only for the half term!) of any fake flowers/plants/greenery or REAL flowers/plants/greenery for our topic area this term - we'll be creating a little garden centre and want to make it as green as possible! If you've got any farming toys/animals/vehicles that wouldn't be missed, those would be incredible too!

Additionally, if you know of anyone with any children's gardening tools or have any seeds/bulbs or plants you'd like to rehome, we'll be creating a garden in our outside area.

TRANSITION YOUTH CLUB

Year 6 children who are due to start secondary school this September are invited to attend a Transition Youth Club, which is held at Horizons, 110 Fore Street, Kingsbridge and run by the Family Advice Support Team. The youth club starts on Thursday 18th May and will run every Thursday until 13th July, from 5.00pm to 7.00pm. The youth club will deliver a range of activities with the focus being on fun, team building and communications skills. To find out more, please email julie.hinder@familyadviceupportteam.org.uk

ATTENDANCE

Week beginning 20/02/23

Reception	96%
Year 1	90.8%
Year 2	90.9%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	95%
Year 6	96.4%
Whole School	95.5%

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 27 th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Forest School: Reception & Year 1 a.m. and Year 4 p.m.• Year 6 Booster Club - 3.30pm to 4.30pm• Dance Club - 3.30pm to 4.30pm• Board Games & Mindfulness Club - 3.30pm - 4.30pm• PTFA Meeting at 3.30pm. Everyone welcome.•
Tuesday 28 th February ONLY Class 2 to come in to school in their PE Kit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• PE with Achieve4All• Achieve4All Sports Club - 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Wednesday 1 st March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Eco Warriors after-school club - 3.30pm to 4.30pm• Choir - 3.30pm to 4.30pm• KS2 Cross Country Tournament at the playing fields.
Thursday 2 nd March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• KYFC Youth Club - 3.30pm to 4.30pm• World Book Day. Dress-up as your favourite book character.
Friday 3 rd March	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Celebration Assembly at 9.15am

Please note that after-school Choir club will be on Wednesday next week instead of Thursday.

Congratulations!

The School Awards this week go to:

Reception: **Toby**

Year 1: **Austin**

Year 2: **Ava**

Year 3: **Betsy**

Year 4: **Kai**

Year 5: **Ada**

Year 6: **Lily**

The MTA award this week goes to: **Charlotte** for having lovely manners.



The Attendance Cup this week has been awarded to: **Class 3**

This week the House with the most points is: **SAINT PATRICK**

Our Accelerated Reader this week is: **Ella-Rose**

Our writer of the week is: **Isabella**

Well done everyone!

Yours sincerely

Mrs L Stallard
Head of School

Mrs T Coulthard
Executive Head Teacher

STARS OF THE WEEK



DIARY DATES - New events in 'Red'

Thursday 2 nd March	Years R & 6	Years R & 6 Height and weight check
Wednesday 8 th March	Class 1	Visit to South Huish Farm - RESCHEDULED
Wednesday 8 th March		South West Water Educational Visit (in school)
Friday 10 th March		Explorer Dome Visit (in school)
Saturday 11 th March	Year 6	Jumble Sale - Year 6 stall - 10.00am to Midday in Church
Wednesday 15 th March	KS2	Football Tournament at Ivybridge Community College
Friday 17 th March	Dance Club	Celebration of Dance at Exeter Phoenix - 9.45am to 2.30pm.
Friday 17 th March		Red Nose Day - Fund-raising cake sale
Friday 17 th March		Mother's Day posy making and church service at 2.00pm
Tuesday 21 st March		National Younger Leaders - session 3
Friday 24 th March		Cultural Champions visit to school.
Monday 27 th March		Parents' Evenings - 3.30pm to 6.00pm
Tuesday 28 th March		Parents' Evenings - 3.30pm to 6.00pm
Wednesday 29 th March	KS2	Tag Rugby Tournament at Loddiswell Primary School
Thursday 30 th March		Easter Service at 2.00pm. Everyone welcome.
Friday 31 st March		LAST DAY OF SPRING TERM
Monday 17 th April		NON-PUPIL DAY
Wednesday 19 th April		Water safety visit from RNLI Lifeguards
Thursday 27 th April	Year 3	Extended day visit to Forest and Beach
Monday 1 st May		MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY
Wednesday 3 rd May		Whole school church service at 9.15am - everyone welcome
Thursday 4 th May		Bags2School
Monday 8 th May		BANK HOLIDAY FOR THE CORONATION OF HM KING CHARLES III
9 th - 12 th May	Year 6	Key Stage 2 SATS Week
Monday 15 th May	KS2	Visit to Exeter Cathedral and Synagogue. RESCHEDULED DATE
Friday 26 th May		150 th Anniversary Celebrations & Open Day. Details to follow.
Friday 26 th May		Break-up for Half-Term
Monday 5 th June		Return to school
Wednesday 7 th June		Whole school church service at 9.15am - everyone welcome
Friday 9 th June	Year 4	Residential visit
Monday 12 th June	Year 4	Multiplication Check Week
Friday 16 th June	Year 5	Residential visit
Wednesday 21 st June	Years 5 & 6	Children's Mental Health Assembly at 9.30am
Friday 23 rd June		Sports Day with PTFA refreshments
Tuesday 27 th June	Classes 1 & 2	Visit to Paignton Zoo. Depart at 9.15am.
Wednesday 28 th June		Surfing and water safety day at Bantham Beach
Wednesday 5 th July		Whole school church service at 9.15am - everyone welcome
Thursday 6 th July	Years 5 & 6	Children's Mental Health Workshop at 9.15am
17 th - 19 th July	Year 6	Residential visit
Friday 21 st July		Year 6 Leavers' Service in church at 2.00pm - everyone welcome.
Friday 21 st July		LAST DAY OF SUMMER TERM

Visit our website <https://www.malboroughprimaryschool.co.uk/calendar/> to check provisional dates for upcoming sports fixtures. Please note that these dates are subject to change

Rural Households Survey on the Cost of Living



Do you live in a rural area and are you feeling the pinch?

The Rural Services Network and the Rural Issues Group of Citizens Advice are jointly running a survey to understand more about rural household budgets at, what is, a very difficult time for many.

Research commissioned by the RSN last year shows rural areas are suffering more acutely from the rise in the cost of living. Results from the survey will help us to engage more effectively with Government Departments, MPs and other policy makers.

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Rural_Households_Cost-of-Living



**Scan the QR code to
access the survey
and tell us your views**

The survey closes on 31 March 2023