

Marwood Primary School Newsletter

09/10/2020

Dear Parent / Carer

Covid secure: Although still low compared to national rates the number of Covid 19 cases in North Devon has increased. Please be assured that staff governors and I are taking the necessary actions in line with our risk assessment, DfE and Public Health guidance. Cones will stay in the lane for Class 3 and 4 parents to have space to be socially distanced.

Virtual Parent / Teacher Consultations: Thank you to everyone who responded to the Forms survey. You should receive your appointment to speak with your child's teacher by email. For years 1 to 6 it will be an invitation to an online Teams meeting. To manage staff work load and well-being we are not offering late appointments. It is a virtual system for a 10 minute meeting, which you can take wherever you are even if you are still at work! I hope you will be able to take a 10 minute break to talk about your child's progress. Within the email you will find the time slot for your 10 minute session. If you have not used Teams before please test the link in the email ([Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)) you will be given the option to view in your internet browser, use the app if you have it or download it. Please join the meeting a few minutes before your time; you will then be waiting in the virtual lobby for the class teacher to admit you. Once your meeting has finished please leave the call to allow the next parent their time. Emails will have been sent to the address you gave in the Forms survey. Please be patient with us as we try this system out. If you cannot see your time slot please email your class teacher. If opening on a phone, the time slots may not be obvious!

Dressed for all weather: Please ensure your child is dressed for all types of weather. I have been very pleased to find that jumpers and coats have names in and that property is being returned to children. As part of our Covid 19 risk assessment we are keeping classroom doors and windows open to give a good flow of fresh air. Please make sure your child is warmly dressed for class. Ideally they need several thin layers; vest (or another t-shirt), school t-shirt and sweatshirt or fleece.

MSA – The Amazon wish list is proving a great success and I wish to thank Gen Hickson for setting it up and everyone who has made a purchase for the school. https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/2SXIMYK6PJA5?ref=wl_share

MSA – Minutes of the AGM are attached with this newsletter. Our first event is Friday 23rd October when for £1 children can come to school in their own clothes or a fun Halloween dress up.

History brought to life at school next week – On Wednesday 14th (Class 3) and Thursday 15th (Class 4) a visitor is coming to lead history based activities in the hall. Staff and I are very grateful to Fullabrook CiC for part funding this.

After school clubs:

Monday – Tennis 3:00 – 4:00

Wednesday – Karate (non-contact) 3:00 – 4:00 <https://www.northdevonkarate.co.uk/bookings>

Music Lessons – Rob Norris is teaching keyboard on Tuesdays (he has a waiting list.) Susan Northrop is teaching wind instruments on Thursdays (her information is at the end of this newsletter.)

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Traffic – Please use and respect our voluntary one way system at the beginning and end of school. Regular delivery drivers are aware of it but other road users will not be – be prepared to give way and reverse. Class 1 parents must not drive back down from the car park before 8:30am and I ask that all drive uphill past the school and do not go against the flow.

Harvest Celebration – Tuesday 20th October – I will hold a Harvest assembly with each bubble at school. It would be great if each family sent a harvest gift on the day which will be donated to the Freedom Centre afterwards. I will add a list of suggested items next week.

Marwood Menu

	WEEK BEGINNING 12/10/2020	Classes 1 and 2 will have their meals off a plate every day. Classes 3 and 4 will have meals served on a plate – Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday			
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
OPTION 1	Beef Burgers	Macaroni Cheese (Meat free day)	Roast Beef	Chicken Korma Curry + naan bread	Battered Fish
OPTION 2	Southern Style Burgers	Macaroni Cheese	Homity Pie	Vegetable Korma Curry + naan bread	Quorn Dippers
OPTION 3	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	X
SIDES	Potato wedges and sweetcorn	Mixed vegetables	Roast potatoes, carrots and broccoli	Rice and peas	Chips with carrot and cucumber sticks



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**SAXOPHONE/CLARINET/FLUTE/TOOT
 LESSONS AT MARWOOD PRIMARY**

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Clarinet, saxophone and flute lessons are available in school for years 3 – 6 and take place during the school day. We do have instruments for students to try! Susan Northrop will be teaching woodwind, she teaches at various schools in the area including Pilton College.

Toots are an option for starting flute and can be bought from amazon for £30. Search “Nuvo Toots” on amazon. Instruments can be hired for £30 a term from Devon County Council, <https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/Individual-Hire-Form/> alternatively you can hire an instrument from John Packer, Taunton for £15 a month which goes towards purchasing the instrument.

This is a great opportunity for your child to learn an instrument. Music lessons have been proven to improve maths and English skills, build your child’s confidence as well as being a fun and social experience.

A short “Agreement for Instrumental Lessons” will be included with the first invoice which clearly states the terms on which lessons are provided.

We look forward to hearing from you,
 Sarah Steed

MARWOOD SCHOOL

Pupil’s name.....Year.....

Instrument.....

Your name & address (Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss).....

.....Post Code.....

E-mail.....

Mobile.....

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