



Dear Parents and Carers,
Hopefully, you should have now received two letters regarding September.

The first one outlined our class structure and the exciting news of an additional classroom to accommodate our growing numbers. Work will be completed over the summer to create the new classroom for Years 3 and 4, whilst the EYFS classroom will be updated with new furniture and resources. The staff have renamed all classes as Bumblebees (Nursery & Reception), Squirrels (Years 1 and 2), Otters (Years 3 and 4) and Badgers (Years 5 and 6).

The second letter outlined plans for return of all pupils in September. [This can be viewed on our website](#). Our children will return to school on Wednesday 2nd September. Children will stay in class 'bubbles' throughout the school day, and large gatherings will not be permitted, so whole school assemblies will not take place initially.

Children will continue to **use separate entrances and drop-off/collection times** to reduce the amount of people on site at any one time. All children should wear school uniform and children in Years 5 and 6 should bring their own pencil case. Please bear in mind that all pupils are expected to be back in school, full time. The government have stipulated that attendance is mandatory. Please do contact us before the summer holidays if you have any specific circumstances which may prevent your child from returning to school as expected

Also, just a reminder that **Reception children are welcome to attend school for mornings only for the first week and a half of term**. So, from Monday 14th September we would expect Reception children to start attending for full days. This is to ensure that they have an opportunity for transition into a new routine and environment.

Our Nursery provision will be open daily 9:00am-3:00pm. Best wishes and take care.

Mrs R Kaminski
Head of School



NOTICES

Nursery Provision for 3 and 4 year olds

Bumblebee Class: Nursery Children.
We still have a few places left for 3 and 4 year olds who would like to join our nursery.
We currently offer the following sessions Monday to Friday:

Full days of 9:00am-3:00pm (6 hours a day or 30 hours per week)

Half days available:
9:00am-12:00pm (3 hours) OR
12:00pm-3:00pm (3 hours)

We also accept the 15 – 30 hour childcare vouchers and offer Forest School sessions! Please contact us for more information.

Robin Hood learning projects

STEM have created some great themed projects to do at home together. The website contains projects based around eight different themes, which cover many aspects of the National Curriculum. They aim to provide a broad and balanced learning experience for your children, whilst learning at home and are totally free. Why not have a browse and delve into something new?

<https://www.stem.org.uk/resources/collection/468110/robin-hood-mat-learning-projects>

Read Write Inc phonics

To help children learning to read at home during school closure, Read Write inc are streaming 7 phonics, reading and spelling lessons every weekday on our YouTube channel. Each lesson is ten to fifteen minutes long and available for 24 hours.

<https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/find-out-more/parents/>

Get Involved

At a time when we are all missing out on the magic of going to the theatre, The One Show, along with The Shakespeare North Playhouse is launching an exciting new playwriting competition, giving children and young people across the UK the opportunity to see their ideas come to life on stage. We hope this will help inspire the next generation of playwrights as well as encouraging a love of theatre and the arts in children and young people. [Click here to find out more.](#)



Trust Newsletter

Keep an eye out for the latest Marches Academy Trust Newsletter, which will be sent out next week containing highlights from the last term.

Be Aware!

We have been made aware of the 'Blue Whale Challenge' that is doing the rounds on social media. A 50 day challenge where an administrator invites a player (child) to engage in a daily self harm task, which get worse as the days go on. Blue Whale Challenge has existed on social media for a long while now the challenge is for young people to complete 50 tasks over 50 days, starting with things such as wake up in the night or watch a scary movie, as the days go on the tasks get more and more sinister with the final task on day 50 being to commit suicide which has resulted globally in many deaths. There is usually an individual involved telling people what tasks to complete each day.

Headteacher's Award

Well done to all our children for their fantastic work!
Please continue to send their achievements to kaminski.r@mmat.com to be considered for next week's Headteacher's awards. Remember you can also share your home learning news with our school community in the pinned post on our Facebook page!



Assemblies

It is also great to see the introduction of some remote collective worship for primary school children, on YouTube, go to: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmEMvgYPXWx8qwOYpsrTaGQ> every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 9:45am. The assemblies include a real life introduction, a song, a Bible story and, a reflective craft activity for pupils to complete afterwards.

BBC Bitesize daily lessons

The BBC website has been updated and you will find daily lessons for home-schooling in Maths and English for every year group, as well as regular lessons in Science, History, Geography and more. https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/daily_essons

Birthdays

Happy birthday to
Freddie in Nursery and Maddison in Owen Class!

#togetherwegrow

WORSHIP



For worship-related activities this week, visit: <https://www.rootsontheweb.com/i-am-looking-for/public-copies/worshipathome31may>

This webpage is updated weekly, with a different Bible story and activities for children based on the story.

Competitions & Challenges.

Biology Competition: The Nancy Rothwell Award celebrates specimen drawing in schools and highlights the benefits of combining Art and Science. The competition challenges entrants to draw, paint, sketch or digitally create artwork capturing plant and animal anatomy. Open to students aged 7 to 18 years old, closing date for submissions 31 July 2020. [Click here](#) to view full details and prizes available.

History Competition: Focus Games Ltd are challenging all age groups to create a unique piece of work; drawing, poster, short story, video, or artwork to celebrate 100 Great Black Britons and their legacy. Entries close on 30 September 2020, [click here](#) for more information.

WEBSITE QUICK LINKS

Please click on the following useful links to find out more.

- [News.](#)
- [Home Learning](#)
- [Term Dates.](#)

USEFUL CONTACTS

Shropshire Public Health Nursing Service	0333 358 3654
Compass	0345 678 9021
Early Help	https://shropshire.gov.uk/early-help/
Parenting Team	01743 250950
SEND Local Offer	https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/the-send-local-offer/

RETURNING TO SCHOOL

FACEBOOK

Please follow us on Facebook [@tilstockprimaryschool](#) for supplementary home learning ideas, news, competitions and feel good stories. We also encourage you to share your ideas and interact with our posts!

For news from across the Trust, why not also follow the [@MarchesAcademyTrust](#) page.

