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# Marine Academy Primary and Nursery Newsletter April 2017

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

Dear Parents/Carers of Marine Academy Primary and Nursery pupils,  
Welcome to the April Newsletter, where has the last month gone? I hope you all had a wonderful Easter break and that you enjoy the Bank Holiday this weekend.

The months of May, June and July are when children across all year groups take some form of end of year assessments. Good luck to Year 2 who will sit their End of Key Stage 1 Assessments during the month of May and Year 1 who have their Phonics Screening Check in early June, I know you will all be amazing, go for it!



I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and support of the Primary Expansion. The photo on the left shows what it looked like at the end of February and the one on the right shows how it looks now! All of the classes had a great time visiting the compound and watching the steel framework being put up this month. The two new classrooms will house Year 2 from September, with Year 1 being based in the current Year 2 classrooms and the new Pre-School classes going into where our Year 1 classes are now. If you have not confirmed your child's Nursery or Pre-School sessions for September yet please do contact myself, Mrs Jones or Mrs Tudor to ensure your child is booked in. Don't forget to see if you qualify for 30 hours funding by visiting [www.childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk)

Yours sincerely,  
Mrs. Siobhan Meredith

### Dates for Your Diary...

- 1<sup>st</sup> May: May Bank Holiday – No School**  
Week Beginning 1<sup>st</sup> May:  
Extra-Curricular Activities begin
- 2<sup>nd</sup> May: Reception Vision Screening**
- 4<sup>th</sup> May: Field Gun Assembly**
- 5<sup>th</sup> May: Year 2 Aspirations Day – Year 2 children to dress as what they would like to be when they are older!**
- 5<sup>th</sup> May: Years 4 and 5 Trip to Plymouth University Robotics Workshop**  
Week Beginning 8<sup>th</sup> May:  
Well-beeing Week
- 8<sup>th</sup> May: Classes 1AJ and 1MR Holiday Day – children to dress as though they are going on holiday!**
- 8<sup>th</sup> May: Class 2AF Trip to St Budeaux Library**
- 9<sup>th</sup> May: Reception Vision Screening**
- 10<sup>th</sup> May: Year 1 and Year 5 Trip to Kings Tamerton Woods**
- 10<sup>th</sup> May at 10:00am: Nursery Open Event**
- 10<sup>th</sup> May: Field Gun Club to start at lunchtimes – open to children from Years 4 and 5**
- 10<sup>th</sup> May: Class 2CB Trip to St Budeaux Library**
- 11<sup>th</sup> May at 2:00pm: Nursery Open Event**
- 11<sup>th</sup> May: Class 4SF Trip to St Budeaux Library**
- 12<sup>th</sup> May: Well-beeing Day**
- 12<sup>th</sup> May: Class 4LG Trip to St Budeaux Library**
- Week Beginning 15<sup>th</sup> May: Walk to School Week**
- 15<sup>th</sup> May: Class 1MR Trip to St Budeaux Library**
- 16<sup>th</sup> May: Reception Trip to Paignton Zoo**
- 17<sup>th</sup> May: Year 1 Trip to Cawsand Beach**
- 18<sup>th</sup> May at 2:30pm: Musicality Assembly for all Parents/Carers of children learning instruments with Mr Keates**

### Sainsbury's School Games

Children from Key Stage 2 have represented Marine Academy Primary in several sports competitions recently.



They have demonstrated fantastic sportsmanship and made the Primary very proud. Four children from Year 5 got through to the next rounds of an Archery competition to compete against schools across Devon and came third! There are still lots of events and competitions coming up including Rounders, Tennis and Bellboating as well as National Sports Week and our Sports Afternoons in July! Last year we achieved the Sainsbury's School Games Bronze Award and we are hoping that this year we will achieve Silver!

### Well-Beeing Week!

Well-Beeing Week 2017 is a Cross-Campus event running all week from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May.

The Primary and Nursery will have activities running in the afternoons with normal lessons during the mornings, except for on the Friday when we will have Well-Beeing Day and activities will run all day. These activities include Years 1 and 5 visiting the Woods, toasting marshmallows at the fire pit, Years 2 and 4 visiting St Budeaux Library, classes taking part in Yoga, children doing random acts of kindness, Miss Codner's dog Albert visiting the Academy and many more things. All of these activities will be really positive and are a great way for everyone to feel great about themselves!



### We have exciting news to share with you!

At the beginning of this term, just after we returned from the Easter Break, Miss Ridge had her baby! Both Miss Ridge and her new baby son are doing well. We all cannot wait to meet the gorgeous Rafe!

**EXCITING NEWS!**

**YAY! IT'S A BOY!**

### Scooting and Riding Bikes to the Academy

It is really lovely to see the children scooting and riding to the Academy every morning and then parking up at our Scooter Pods. Please can you make sure though that children are careful when coming around the side of the Primary building because there have been a few near misses as other Parents/Carers are walking their children into the Primary. Thank you very much in advance for this.

### Family Learning Workshops and Courses

Every Friday Marine Academy Primary are hosting Family Learning Workshops and Courses. These include First Aid, Glass Painting, French, Button Jewellery and many more. For more information ask a member of the Primary Administration Team.

### ParentPay

Please ensure that lunch monies, Breakfast and After School Club are paid for in advance through ParentPay. If you are in debt then you will not be able to book any of these things. If you need help accessing ParentPay then please contact a member of the Primary Administration Team.



### Dates for Your Diary...

- 19<sup>th</sup> May: Children from Year 5 will go to a Bellboating Regatta
- 19<sup>th</sup> May: Outdoor Classroom Day – Parents/Carers will be invited for a picnic
- Week Beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> May: No Extra-Curricular Activities
- Week Beginning 22<sup>nd</sup> May: Parents/Carers Meetings
- 26<sup>th</sup> May: Last Day of Term 5
- 5<sup>th</sup> June: First Day of Term 6
- 5<sup>th</sup> June: Nursery Graduation Photos
- 6<sup>th</sup> June: Year 3 Trip to City College Plymouth STEM Centre
- 7<sup>th</sup> June: Year 1 Trip to Burrator for a Guided Walk
- 8<sup>th</sup> June: Years 1 and 2 Sessions with the RSPB
- 9<sup>th</sup> June: Academy Council Trip to London
- 12<sup>th</sup> June at 4:30pm: Induction Event for Children Joining Reception in September 2017
- 14<sup>th</sup> June: Year 4 to go Bellboating
- 14<sup>th</sup> June: Athletics Competition at Brickfields for some children from Key Stage 2
- 15<sup>th</sup> June at 2:15pm: Reception Father's Day Assembly – add dads and special men of Classes RCJ and RGS children invited
- 16<sup>th</sup> June: Oxfam Dressed by the Kids Day
- 23<sup>rd</sup> June: 12 children from Years 3 and 4 to go to Mount Batten with children from St Columb Major Primary School
- 26<sup>th</sup> June for 3 weeks: Year 2 Swimming Lessons at the Life Centre
- Week Beginning 26<sup>th</sup> June: National Sports Week
- 30<sup>th</sup> June: Whole School Stand Up Move More Sit Less Day
- 5<sup>th</sup> July to 7<sup>th</sup> July: Year 5 Residential
- 10<sup>th</sup> July: Class 3SM to go Rock Climbing at Hound Tor
- 10<sup>th</sup> July: Reception Trip to Dartmoor Otters and Buckfast Butterflies
- 11<sup>th</sup> July: Class 3IC to go Rock Climbing at Hound Tor
- 12<sup>th</sup> July at 1:00pm: Key Stage 2 Sports Afternoon
- 13<sup>th</sup> July at 1:00pm: Key Stage 1 Sports Afternoon
- 14<sup>th</sup> July: Year 2 to see author, Peter Bentley at Plymouth Guildhall
- 14<sup>th</sup> July: Year 4 to see author, Julian Clary at Plymouth Guildhall
- 14<sup>th</sup> July: Nursery and Reception Sports Afternoon
- 14<sup>th</sup> July: Extra-Curricular Activities end
- Week Beginning 17<sup>th</sup> July: Arts Week
- 19<sup>th</sup> July at 2:15pm: Key Stage 2 Summer Musical
- 19<sup>th</sup> July: Annual Reports go home
- 20<sup>th</sup> July at 9:15am: Key Stage 2 Summer Musical
- 20<sup>th</sup> July at 3:00pm: Parents/Carers invited to see Arts Week Learning and Children's Books
- 21<sup>st</sup> July at 9:15am: Nursery Graduation and Reception Assembly
- 21<sup>st</sup> July: End of Term 6

Are you looking for a Nursery place for September?

**WE HAVE AN OPEN DAY AND YOU'RE INVITED!**

Come and join us on  
Thursday 20 April at 4.30pm  
Wednesday 10 May at 10am  
Thursday 11 May at 2pm

For further information please email [primary@marineacademy.org.uk](mailto:primary@marineacademy.org.uk)  
Call us on 01752 213939 or visit [www.marineacademy.org.uk](http://www.marineacademy.org.uk)

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