



Marine Academy Primary and Nursery Newsletter

November 2016

'Where Stars Shine Brighter.'

...providing an outstanding education that ensures all pupils reach their greatest potential and live by life's highest values.

Dear Parents/Carers of Marine Academy Primary and Nursery pupils,
I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for your immense support when fundraising for Children in Need this year. The Primary and Nursery did an amazing job and raised a total of over **£1700.00!** This is an immense achievement and we are so proud of all of the children who took part in the Sponsored Sign and Sing! We hope that you enjoyed the coverage on BBC Spotlight and thank you to all Parents/Carers for bringing your children in slightly earlier to have their faces painted and for making them look truly spotacular! The children learnt about why we raise money for Children in Need and showed a great deal of empathy; there was a really fantastic atmosphere throughout the Academy on the day.

It is not long until the end of term so please make sure that your children have ordered a Christmas Lunch with their class teachers if they would like one on Thursday 15th December. I look forward to seeing you all in the coming weeks at the Nursery and Reception, Key Stage One and Key Stage Two Christmas Productions and also at the Christmas Jumper Day Carol Concert (in the MAP Sports Hall). Don't forget to don your Christmas jumpers too if you have one!

Yours sincerely,
Mrs. Siobhan Meredith

We raised £1706.67!



FORTHCOMING EVENTS...

Dates for Your Diary...

- 2nd December: Key Stage One and Two Children to watch a Dick Whittington Patomime in the Primary Hall**
- 5th December: Reception Trip to Reel Cinema to watch Finding Dory**
- 7th December: Year 1 Trip to the Oral Health Centre at Plymouth University**
- 8th December: Year 2 Trip to the Oral Health Centre at Plymouth University**
- 8th December: Year 1 Trip to the Theatre Royal to watch The Emperor's New Clothes**
- 8th December at 9:30am: Nursery and Reception Christmas Production**
- 8th December at 1:00pm: Class 4LG Singing at the Lord Mayor's Carol Concert at St. Andrew's Church**
- 8th December at 2:15pm: Key Stage One Christmas Production**
- 9th December: Due to the MAP Christmas Lunch there will be Grab Bags only for lunch today**
- 9th December at 9:30am: Key Stage One Christmas Production**
- 9th December at 2:15pm: Nursery and Reception Christmas Production**
- 9th December: Last Day of Extra-Curricular Activities**
- Week Beginning 12th December: No Extra-Curricular Activities**
- 14th December at 2:15pm: Key Stage Two Christmas Pantomime**
- 15th December: Primary and Nursery Christmas Lunch – children to wear muffin/party clothes to school**
- 15th December at 9:30am: Key Stage Two Christmas Pantomime**
- 16th December at 2:15pm in the MAP Sports Hall: Nursery and Primary Christmas Carol Concert**
- 16th December: Christmas Jumper Day for Save the Children – children to wear muffin with Christmas Jumpers/other jumpers**



Operation Christmas Child

In November, classes put together shoe boxes to be donated to the Samaritan's Christmas Shoe Box Appeal and we were overwhelmed with the number of shoe boxes that were made at home and brought into the Academy to be donated. Thank you very much for all of your donations and for the completed shoe boxes. The notes that children wrote for the boxes were excellent too.

We really appreciated your support and know that they are going to make children, living in poverty in another country, very happy on Christmas Day!



Key Stage Two Academy Council Representatives Visit London!

This week saw the Academy Council travel to London to visit the Houses of Parliament. This was a truly inspiring day and the children's behaviour was excellent; they were a real credit to the Academy. The children learnt about the different Houses that make up Parliament and had the opportunity to ask our local MP, Johnny Mercer, some questions including 'Do you want to be the Prime Minister one day?' and 'Is Theresa May nice?' Afterwards, they went on the London Eye and watched the sunset over Big Ben.

Here is a run down of the day... The Representatives had a very hectic start - due to a traffic hold-up in the morning and only just made the train to London! However, from then, on everything went like clockwork. The children were really sensible, particularly as we moved from Paddington Station to Westminster via the Tube; a brisk walk to Parliament and then two hours being taken around the buildings and having a role play session in the Education Centre. They then had a very quick walk to the London Eye which was a unique experience for everyone, made more special by the lights of London coming on, as it became dark.

A quick McDonald's and another journey on a Tube - which became increasingly busy as they got nearer Paddington. The train journey home passed without problem, apart from being a few minutes late. A huge thank you to the Parents/Carers who were all waiting to pick up their tired but excited children and a big thank you to all of the Representatives who made us so proud to be part of Marine Academy Primary! We hope to replicate this trip again later in the academic year for other children to attend!

After School Club! Marine Academy Primary has an After School Club that runs until 6:00pm every evening for £5.00. From this week onwards, children will have a choice of three different meals each evening, this includes some of the following: hot dogs, tomato soup and bread, ravioli, beans on toast and spaghetti bolognaise! If you would like your children to attend then please book them in with one of the Marine Academy Primary Admin Team.

Dates for Your Diary...

16th December: Last Day of Term 2

3rd January: INSET Day – Primary and Nursery Closed to Children

4th January: First Day of Term 3

4th January: Year 5 begin 3 weeks of Swimming Lessons at the Life Centre

5th January: New Extra-Curricular Activities Letters go home

5th January: School Nursing Service to complete Height and Weight Check with Reception Children

5th January: Assembly from Plymouth Raiders

5th January: Year 3 Trip to the Theatre Royal to watch the Pantomime, Snow White

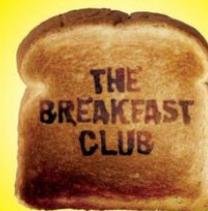
10th January: Extra-Curricular Activities Choices due in

11th January: Year 1 Trip to the Eden Project

13th January: Extra-Curricular Confirmation Letters go home

16th January: Tempest Photography taking Primary Class Photos

Week Beginning 16th January: Extra-Curricular Activities begin



AVAILABLE FROM 7:30AM INCLUDING WAKE AND SHAKE!