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# Marine Academy Primary and Nursery Newsletter

## May 2020

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

STAY ALERT! CONTROL THE VIRUS SAVE LIVES

Dear Parents/Carers of Marine Academy Primary and Nursery pupils,  
 I hope that you have had a lovely half term break! This is a very strange half term for many as I am sure many of the children are in the routine of being at home now, rather than being at school and the staff have continued to work even more throughout this break, than they do normally. The sunny weather over the Bank Holiday weekend was lovely and it was wonderful to see all of the photos of what Primary and Nursery children did during this time! As always, thank you very much for sharing so much with us. It has been lovely to still feel that we are in touch with all of our families and it certainly brightens up the team's days when they see the smiley faces of your children!



On Thursday, we wrote to the Parents/Carers who are pre-approved Key Workers or indicated 'yes' on the surveys we previously sent out. The letter shared the precautionary measures that the Academy has put into place to help to mitigate any risks as the Primary and Nursery open wider. We are really looking forward to the day when we can invite all of our learners back to school and the Marine Academy family is complete again!



On behalf of the staff I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for all of the support and well wishes that we have received during these unprecedented times. The last few months have been incredibly challenging times for many families, but in true Marine Academy spirit the community has pulled together to support one another. As a team, we have thoroughly enjoyed seeing the children's enthusiasm and creativity in response to the Home Learning Packs but also the fantastic activities that all of the children have been completing at home in addition to these. We continue to be amazed at the range of skills that our children are learning at home during this time and know that even though this has been a really tricky period, everyone will ultimately become better people and more well-rounded for it.

Please do keep in touch with us and if you need the Academy for anything then please let us know.  
 Take care, stay safe and continue to be kind.

Yours sincerely,  
 Mrs. Siobhan Meredith

Dear Marine Academy Primary and Nursery children,

Well, what can I say? We miss you more every day and school continues to be a very bizarre place without seeing all five hundred of you each week! We continue to see what absolute superstars you are though when your parents send us photos of the amazing learning that you have been doing at home! We know that this is not always from your Home Learning Packs, which is ok as we can see the fabulous trips to the woods or beach that you have been taking, the great help you are being at home and the wonderful arts and crafts that you have been doing.

I read the poem below this week and it made me think of each and every one of you so I wanted to share it with you...

#### The Brave Children

The history books will talk of now,  
That time the world stood still.  
When every family stayed at home,  
Waved out from windowsills.  
At those they loved but could not hold,  
Because they loved them so.  
Yet, whilst they did they noticed all the flowers start to grow.  
They saw that people became ill,  
They knew the world was scared.  
But whilst the world stood still they saw,  
How much the whole world cared.  
They clapped on Thursdays from their doors,  
They cheered for the brave.  
For people who would risk their lives,  
So others could be saved.  
The schools closed down, they missed their friends,  
They missed their teachers so.  
Their Mums and Dads helped with their work,  
They helped their minds to grow.  
History books will talk of them,  
When adults, fully grown.  
Those little boys and girls back then,  
The ones who stayed at home.  
They'll tell you that they fixed this world,  
Of all they would fulfil.  
The brave children building dreams,  
They'd dreamed whilst time stood still.

Stay safe, keep smiling and please keep in touch. I look forward to the very day where we meet together again as the wonderful community of Marine Academy Primary and Nursery. Please remember: Work Hard, Be Kind and Amazing Things will Happen!

From Mrs Meredith :)

## Normalising Worries

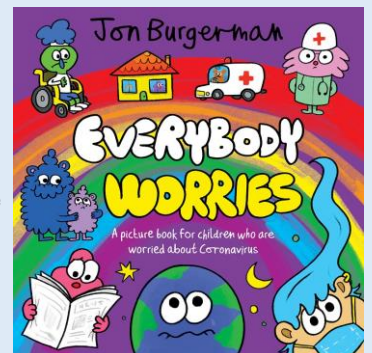
It is important to be aware that your children's behaviour and emotions may have changed or may change in response to the current state of uncertainty as they try to adapt to their new situation. They are unlikely to be able to see all of the people who are important to them and they may be experiencing a feeling of loss.

At times of change, young people may regress to earlier behaviours, for example, wanting to sleep with the light on or wetting the bed. This is normal and it is important to try and be as patient as possible. Children and young people thrive on predictability and routine in their lives. If they have experienced significant change, they can often find change or the loss of a routine difficult to manage. You may well be seeing changes in your child's behaviour as a result of this. Some children may become clingy, tearful and easily distressed, others might become more challenging, demanding or be displaying tantrums. Fear and worry can show itself in many different ways; interrupted sleep, having nightmares, disrupted appetite and some children may regress in their skills. All of these are understandable and a normal response to worries.

One of the most important things we can do to support our children at this uncertain and ever changing time is contain their emotions by being steady for them – they take their lead from us. It is really important to answer their questions as honestly as you can at a level that won't increase their fear. It is fine to say, "I don't know the answer to that at the moment" if they ask a difficult question.

Children's fear rises more if they feel there is something we are hiding from them and this can lead them to imagine that what we are not saying is far worse than it actually is. It is also important we don't give them too much information. It can be helpful to have balance and focus on some of the more hopeful aspects such as recovery rates (92% of recorded cases), the number of cases that are mild (93%).

'The Worrysaurus' reviewed by Miss Couch later on in this Newsletter and the ebook 'Everybody Worries' are both brilliant books to share with children. ['Everybody Worries'](#) is Jon Burgerman's brand new picture book designed to support children who may be feeling worried about Coronavirus and in particular the everyday changes to their lifestyle that it has brought about. With colourful characters and rhyming text, this original picture is designed to reassure young children that their worries are valid and also includes practical ways to help them to process and articulate their emotions.



Hi Marine Academy Primary children!

So sorry I haven't had the chance to say a proper goodbye to everyone! As you may know, I decided to move to North Devon with my family after Easter and unfortunately wasn't there during the last few days of the spring term.

I want to say a massive thank you to Mrs Meredith and the whole team of amazing staff...it's a great school and there was never a dull moment!

I'd like to say thank you to the children there who have been in my classes, come to my clubs, shared a joke with me or just wished me good morning or afternoon - which is virtually everyone!

Class 6PB - you are a great bunch and I'm so sad not to be able to see you to wish you good luck for your secondary school adventure. There are so many talented footballers, gymnasts, artists, writers, mathematicians, comedians etc. etc amongst you and you can do anything you set your mind to.

Be good, be respectful, be ambitious and I look forward to hearing all about how you're getting on next year!

Best wishes,

Mr Pryce 😊



**If you need any help or support throughout the school closure then please do email the Primary Team on [primary@marineacademy.org.uk](mailto:primary@marineacademy.org.uk) and someone will get back to you as soon as possible. The Reception Desk is not always manned and therefore voicemails will not always be picked up as quickly as normal.**

**If you would like to liaise with a specific member of staff then please write 'FAO:' and their name in the subject of the email.**



## Forces Families

The Naval Children's Charity has been helping Naval Children since 1825, for nearly 200 years. If you serve or have served in the Naval Service (Royal Navy, Royal Marines, QARNNS, WRNS, Reserves or Royal Fleet Auxiliary) and you have a child/children there to support you. They help around 2000 children directly each year and many thousands more through our resources and work with communities and other organisations. Their website <https://www.navalchildrenscharity.org.uk> includes links for getting support, as well as to resources such as the book 'Zoe and the Time Rabbit' which is an ideal book for any child whose parent is going away for a long time. Beautifully and inventively illustrated, the story follows Zoe and her emotions over the time her Daddy is away until he returns to her. You can download the book from their website or you can email them for a free copy [book@navalchildrenscharity.org.uk](mailto:book@navalchildrenscharity.org.uk)



Do you know anyone with a child who will be 3 years old by 1st September 2020 that would like to come and join our family at Marine Academy Primary! The closing date for Pre-School admissions is 1st June to start in September. Please ask them to complete the application form online (<https://marineacademy.org.uk/nursery/apply-place>) or email [primary@marineacademy.org.uk](mailto:primary@marineacademy.org.uk) for further information. If your child already attends our Nursery - you need not apply as you will automatically receive a place.

## Free School Meals

If your child is currently eligible for Free School Meals, we are committed to help you to access this provision. A Free School Meal is a statutory benefit available to school children of families who receive other qualifying benefits. If your situation has changed recently and to see if your child is eligible to receive free school meals please click on this link: [Plymouth City Council Free School Meals](#). During the closure of our school we have made provision to ensure those in our school community who are eligible to receive free school meals continue to do so and have accessed the Government's FSM Voucher Scheme. These vouchers are allocated per family, based upon the number of children in the family who are of school age, and do not include Universal Infant Free School Meals, which all Reception, Year 1 and 2 families are eligible for. We are providing these vouchers for a number of reasons, in addition to all children who are eligible to Free School Meals (not Universal Infant Free School Meals), we have also provided vouchers to children who have had recent Social Care involvement, those who were previously eligible for Free School Meals, families who receive food hampers and have had a Foodbank voucher. If you need additional support as your circumstances have recently changed then please contact us and we will try our best to help you in any way that we can!

### Pre-School Learning – Happily Ever After

All of the adults are so proud of all the amazing learning that the Pre-School children have completed throughout our topic 'Happily Ever After'. They have loved seeing all the photos of the different learning that has been completed including a great life size gingerbread man, Little Red Hen hand paintings, creating their own 'Three Little Pig' houses and retelling all of our fairy tale stories! We are so looking forward to seeing all the amazing learning they are going to do throughout our new topic 'Let's go to the Beach'. We miss you all very much and looking forward to seeing you soon!



### Year 4 Learning – The Vikings

This has been another amazing term full of some fantastic learning! In History, the children have been learning about the Vikings! We hope you have enjoyed reading the Guided Reading book as much as we have, a book about following dreams has been very appropriate at this time! In English, the children have started to read 'Gregory Cool' where they learn about visiting different locations and adjusting to the traditions. This term in Geography, the children will learn about Natural Resources and they will conclude with writing about how sustainable Natural Resources are. Please continue to send pictures of your work as Miss Gammage and Mr Wilson love to see them!



### Year 6 Learning – Twentieth Century Conflict

Hello Year 6! I am so very proud of all of you and the amazing learning you have been doing at home. We have finished reading Oranges in No Man's Land which has quite a sad ending and have moved on to reading Wonder. I love seeing how many of you are watching the YouTube videos and I hope that maybe we will be able to get some of you to record some to add to our collection soon! Your newspaper reports were exceptionally good and I have been thrilled to see copies of so many history essays! I am really looking forward to welcoming some of you back to the Academy super soon and although it will be a little bit different to what we are used to, seeing all your smiles will remind everyone how much happiness there is in the world still! Thank you for all being so big and strong at such a tricky time, you are all little superstars!

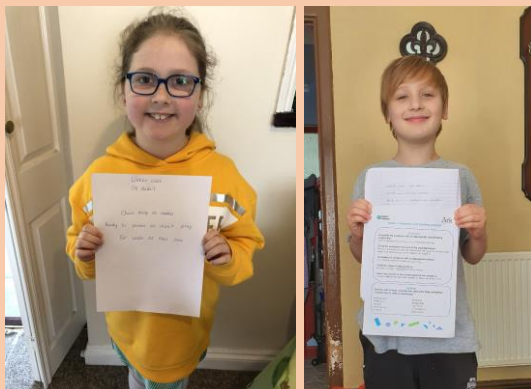


### Year 5 Learning – Middle East

Well done Year 5 for all of your awesome learning so far and although not in school, Miss McNicholas and Mr Druce have been really impressed with the learning they have seen. Keep continuing to send this in to them, as it really does cheer them up too!

Year 5 have completed their Guided Reading book 'Beowulf' by Michael Morpurgo and we hope they enjoyed the story and the videos by Miss McNicholas. This month, Year 5 completed learning to further their knowledge on decimals and fractions within Maths and in English, they completed their own far-away fiction story and started to look at personification in poetry. In addition, a lot of brilliant broader curriculum learning has taken place too.

We hope you are staying safe and we can't wait to see you all soon!



### Reception Learning – Splendid Safari



Miss Rowe and Mr Ferry have been very impressed with the super learning at home taking place this term for their topic 'Splendid Safari'. It has been delightful receiving pictures and hearing about all the wonderful activities that the Reception children have completed. We hope the children have enjoyed listening to a story linked to this theme every week and enjoyed learning about the amazing country Ghana!

We have also been impressed with the children's Maths and Phonics learning this term. It's been wonderful to see children engaging with their learning at home and logging into 'Bug Club' to do their weekly reading and playing the interactive games.

Our next topic will be 'Ready, Steady... Grow!'. This is such a lovely topic where the children will learn all about the wonderful world of nature. This topic explores the changes that take place in the animal and plant world which, links nicely to the change children will go through moving into Year 1!

Reception are looking forward to seeing the children again for their last term! It's been tough not seeing you all but we are very proud of all the brilliant learning you have done. We can't wait to see more amazing learning this term and hope this final topic will be one to remember!



### **Online Safety**

Each month, we will continue to share with you some advice to further support your child to be safe online. If you have any questions or queries then please do contact a member of the Primary Admin Team or email [primary@marineacademy.org.uk](mailto:primary@marineacademy.org.uk) to arrange a time to virtually meet with Mr Ferry our Computing and Online Safety Leader. He will always be more than happy to help you out!

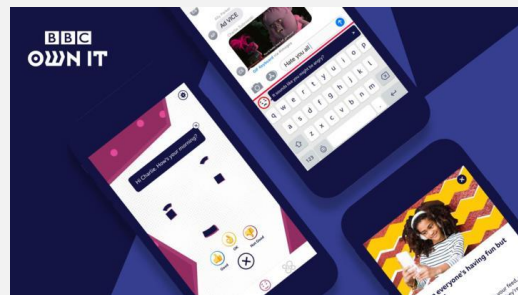


### **BBC Own It App**

The BBC's Own It app helps young people to manage their well-being, whilst empowering children to make smart choices, and helping them to lead a positive life online.

The Own It app and keyboard lets children:

- get advice whenever they type
- track their feelings
- win badges as they reflect
- find help when they need it
- taking quizzes to learn more about themselves



The app also includes a special keyboard to use which offers helpful tips and friendly advice to children when they need it. The app can be downloaded for free from the App Store or Google Play. Further information can be found here: <https://www.bbc.com/ownit/take-control/own-it-app>



### **Dance Move**

Here's a fun way to get your child thinking about computing or more specifically, creating a dance algorithm. Click the links below for instructions and movements cards to give you and your child some ideas in creating your own awesome dance routine. The activity is called 'Dance Move' and can be found by following this link:

<https://www.barefootcomputing.org/homelearning>

Lots of other fantastic computing based activities can be found on this website!

### **Blocking In-App Purchases on Apple Devices**

A major risk for Apps with In-App Purchases is users, particularly children, making In-App Purchases accidentally, or without the knowledge that they are making an In-App Purchase for real world money. To turn off the ability to make in-app purchases, you can follow these instructions on an Apple device such as an iPhone or iPad.

Step 1

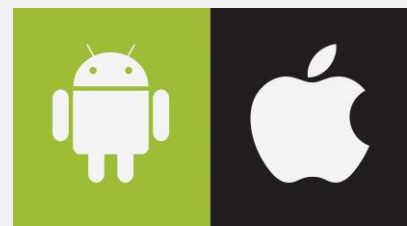
Go into Settings > Screen Time > Content and Privacy Restrictions. Enter your passcode if asked.

Step 2

Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases.

Step 3

Choose a setting (for example, in-app purchases) and set to Don't allow.



### **Restricting Purchases on Android Devices**

To restrict the ability to make in-app purchases on an Android device, you can follow the steps below:

Step 1

Open the Play Store and tap the 3-lines button in the top left.

Step 2

Select Settings > Require authentication for purchases > For all purchases through Google Play on this device.

## Nursery Learning

The Marine Academy Nursery team have really enjoyed seeing photos of the fantastic learning and activities that the children have been doing at home over the last month! They were particularly excited to see the children doing some of the themed activities that they have suggested and seeing the children taking part in the VE Day celebrations!



# 38 Things

More children are completing some of their 38 things this month, we have had children performing a dance, planting bulbs, cooking, playing pool sticks and much more- remember to check the list of activities for your child's year group because many of the wonderful things that you have been doing are included on the list of 38 things. This month, it would be fabulous if we could see some 'stargazers' which are on the list for Reception, Years 5 and 6 (although fun for any year group). Here are some top tips for stargazing:

### 1 Prepare

A clear and cloudless night is every Stargazer's dream but that can also mean it gets pretty chilly. Make sure you get cosy with warm blankets, hats, scarves and gloves. Torches are a great addition to help you get to your stargazing location safely.

**TOP TIP:** Red filtered torches provide light whilst not spoiling the view. If you haven't got a fancy one, using a rear red bike light or placing a red sock over a normal torch should do the job.

### 2. Pick the Right Time

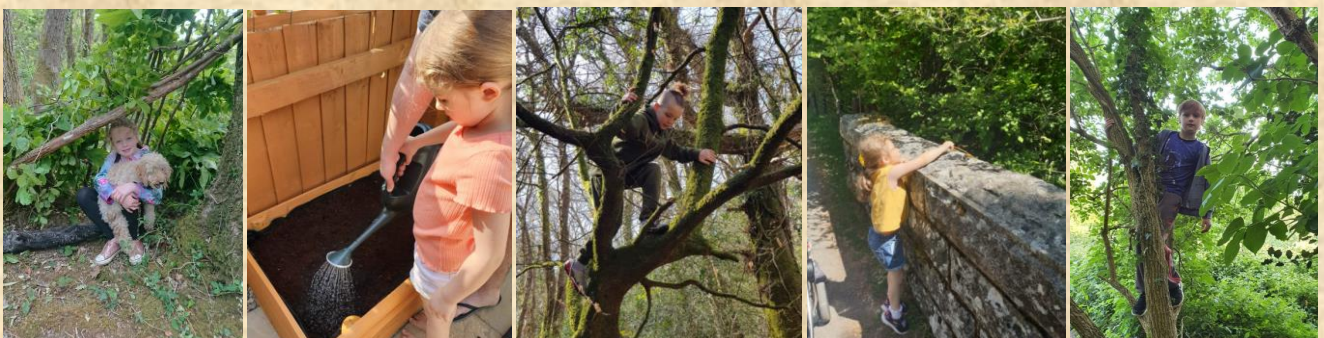
A crisp, clear evening is the best time to go stargazing, so make sure you keep an eye on the weather reports.

**TOP TIP:** Waiting until 30-45 minutes after sunset before heading outside will increase your chances of seeing the stars.

### 3. Have Fun!

The most important thing about stargazing is to enjoy it. Whether you're tracking down Ursa Major the Great Bear or just getting warm and snuggly under the stars, let the night sky inspire you.

Don't forget to send in your photos, we love to see them and cannot wait to celebrate any completed booklets later this term.



## Art and Music Learning

Art: Mr Clennel-White is looking forward to seeing all of the amazing pieces of Art produced over this last term, having seen the wonderful sketches and water colours produced by the children as they have worked through their ideas. If you have not already sent in a picture for him to see, please do so as he is keen to see how everyone's Lockdown Art has gone!

Music: The musical focus for this next term is all about singing, performing and making a glorious (tuneful!) noise to celebrate Summer! Stage shows, Pop songs, own compositions... all will be explored! West End theatres, here comes MAP!

### Year 2 Learning – World War II



All the adults in Year 2 are missing all of the children but we have been incredibly proud of all the fantastic learning that we have seen! We hope that you have been enjoying the home learning packs that we have been sending home to you. Please continue to read as much as you can at home and to complete quizzes on Accelerated Reader. You have some fantastic topics to learn about in the next term! Our new topic for the following term is "Our Food, Our World" and you will be learning all about what food we buy, where it comes from locally and how it might be sourced from the U.K and beyond! In Science we shall all become "Little Master Chefs" and we will be taking part in various exciting Science experiments, in which we will be observing the outcome and we will be gathering our own data. For our R.E learning we will be thinking about the question, "What does it mean to belong to a faith community?" this will involve thinking about all of the Religions that we have learnt about in the previous terms.

All of the adults in Year 2 hope you are keeping well and hope that we will see you all soon.

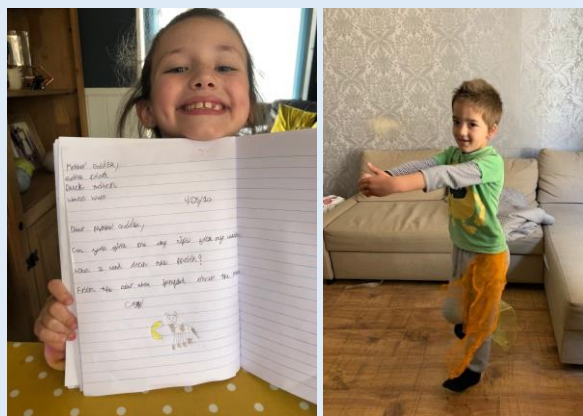
### Year 3 Learning – Ancient Greece

This month, Year 3 have been busy learning about money in Maths. Lots of children have raided their piggy banks and read receipts to gain further knowledge about money. The children finished listening to their Guided Reading story 'Operation Gadgetman'. We hope you really enjoyed this story, it was Miss Newell's favourite book that we have read so far! In English, the children have created their own non-fiction portfolio about a famous inventor, they now know lots about Louis Braille.



### Year 1 Learning – Significant Sport Stars

Year 1 have completed lots of excellent learning at home this month. Mr Andrews and Ms Bell have enjoyed seeing the pictures that have been sent in and examples of this learning. We hope the children have enjoyed learning about the history of the Olympic Games this term. You undertook some fantastic research when finding out facts about famous Olympians; you even taught Mr Andrews and Ms Bell some new facts! The children also used their imaginations brilliantly by creating their own home Olympics using household objects. Mr Andrews had a go at a few of these himself! A big well done to everyone who has been reading their books on 'Bug Club' - it is fantastic to see you all continue to enjoy reading!



The Year 1 team are looking forward to seeing many of you very soon so that we can spend our final term in Year 1 together. If you are not coming back to school then this is ok because we will still send Home Learning Packs to you each week and will be extra excited to see photos of what you are doing at home.

Stay safe and remember to work hard, be kind and amazing things will happen!

All of the staff at Marine Academy Primary and Nursery have really enjoyed looking at the huge range of learning and experiences that have been going on at home, please do keep sending photos and videos to [homelearning@marineacademy.org.uk](mailto:homelearning@marineacademy.org.uk)



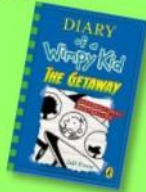
The total books and words read by all children on Accelerated Reader currently stands at...  
**8,924 books and 32,369,338 words!**

# We Are Readers



Some of this month's favourite books that children have quizzed and noted on include...

Diary of a Wimpy Kid by Jeff Kinney



The Owl Who Was Afraid of the Dark by Jill Tomlinson

The Midnight Gang by David Walliams



**Don't forget** that all children in Years 2 to 6 have a login for the online reading website, myON. It is run by the same company as Accelerated Reader and has thousands of books to read online, including picture books, graphic novels, long books, short books, fiction, non-fiction and much more! Plus, most of them also have quizzes, so what are you waiting for?!

Visit [www.myon.co.uk](http://www.myon.co.uk). Your child's username is their first name and last name written together as one word with no gaps, and their password is abc.



## SHOUT OUTS!



A big shout out to these children who have all been reading so much that they have now passed over 100 quizzes so far this year! Amazing!

Isabelle  
2AG

Poppy  
2AG

Alice  
3JN

Sophia  
3LI

Amelia  
3LI

Ayda-Rose  
4AW



Another big well done to Isabelle and Amelia who have been enjoying reading lots on the myON website and between them, they have read for a total of 13 hours so far!  
 Well done to them both!

### READERS HALL OF FAME

These are children who have been reading and quizzing lots this month and have achieved an average score that's above 90%, well done them!

- Year 1 - **Tia** has passed 8 quizzes with an average score of **98.8%**
- 2AG - **Ellie-May** has passed 23 quizzes with an average score of **98.3%**
- 2AJ - **Charlie** has passed 11 quizzes with an average score of **98.2%**
- 3JN - **Alice** has passed 8 quizzes with an average score of **90%**
- 3LI - **Sophia** has passed 27 quizzes with an average score of **99.3%**
- 4AW - **Freya** has passed 5 quizzes with an average score of **98%**
- 4LG - **Jay** has passed 7 quizzes with an average score of **98.6%**
- 5AD - **Ava** has passed 9 quizzes with an average score of **95.6%**
- 5DM - **Toby** has passed 7 quizzes with an average score of **97.1%**
- 6IC - **Caitlin** has passed 5 quizzes with an average score of **96%**
- 6PB - **Jessica** has passed 2 quizzes with an average score of **100%**

### Top Ten Number of Words Read So Far:

- Ada (6IC) 2,672,051
- Harry (5DM) 1,412,588
- Jay (4LG) 1,370,969
- Ryan (4LG) 920,367
- Jacob (4AW) 764,963
- Ava (5AD) 738,746
- Daisy G (5DM) 711,594
- Santiago (6IC) 696,824
- Gabriel (5DM) 684,973
- Toby (5DM) 643,488

# I recommend...

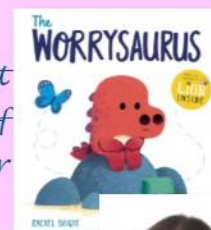


**This month, it's time for some recommendations from adults. Please let us know if you read any of these books and what you thought about them!**

## **The Worrysaurus by Rachel Bright**

*"I highly recommend this book, not just because it has a dinosaur in it but because it is the perfect book to help every anxious little dinosaur let go of their fears and feel happy in the moment. It is a gorgeous picture book for children, especially if they are feeling worried or anxious.*

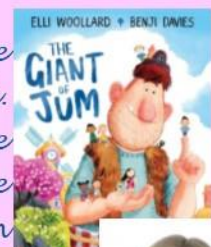
*I feel this book is especially important at this time with everything that is going on in the world right now. Help chase your worry butterflies away with The Worrysaurus!"*



- Miss Couch

## **The Giant of Jum by Elli Woollard**

*"I would highly recommend 'The Giant of Jum' for children aged 3-6. The author is Elli Woollard. If you like giants then you'll love this book. Although you'll need to watch out as I think he likes eating children! I love how this story has a twist at the end and it shows that not all giants have to be mean and scary. Without giving too much away, you might even notice a famous character in the story from another giant story that you know about. This story has beautiful pictures and there are opportunities to join in. Fee, Fi, Fo, Fum!"*



- Miss Rowe

## **Kensuke's Kingdom by Michael Morpurgo**

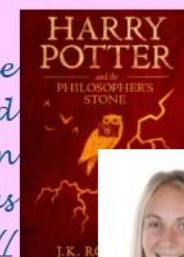
*"The book is about an eleven year old boy named Michael who loves sailing and his family decide to take a journey around the world. Sadly he falls overboard with his beloved black and white sheepdog. He washes up on an island and curls up to die until...I won't tell you anymore because I am sure, like me, you will find this book touching, emotional and tragic. It is quite sad but has some amazing vocabulary and I would hugely recommend it for children in Year 4 upwards. (If Year 4 children read it then you will be ahead as it's a text that you'll study when you're in Year 5!) I love the way that the author makes the characters strong and powerful yet interesting too. I really did get engrossed in this book and I hope you do too!"*



- Mrs Meredith

## **Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone by JK Rowling**

*"Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone: I adore losing myself in the magic of an entirely different world and this world of witchcraft and wizardry is the perfect getaway from the rest of the world! What's even better, chapters are being read aloud each week for free by famous individuals so you can enjoy it as an audio book too! Visit <https://www.wizardingworld.com/chapters/reading-the-boy-who-lived-to-listen/>"*



- Miss Brunning



If you like...

**Julia Donaldson**

try these...



If you like...

**Rainbow Magic**

try these...



**Branching out...**...have you been hooked in by a particular series or author but you're ready to branch out and try something new? Take a look at these suggestions and you might just find your new favourite book!



If you like...

**Tom Gates**

try these...

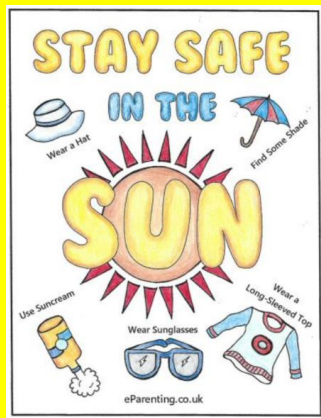


If you like...

**Harry Potter**

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## Sun Safety

We hope that you have been enjoying the sun in your gardens or when out on your daily exercise. CBeebies have shared some important tips for keeping children safe. You can also use the link or QR code to watch a short song with your child. Please remember that if your child is returning to school or Nursery they will need to come with a hat and sunscreen already applied. Please also supply a named bottle of sunscreen so that they can top themselves up.

### **1. Stay in the shade when possible**

It's a good idea to keep children in the shade in the middle of the day when the sun is at its strongest - try and get into the habit of heading indoors between 11am and 3pm, or use a parasol or a play tent to provide some shade.

### **2. Use a good sun cream**

Make sure your child wears sunscreen that covers any exposed skin - use plenty, and don't forget their shoulders, the back of their neck, the tops of their ears, nose and cheeks and the tops of their feet. Choose a sunscreen that has an SPF of at least 30SPF and at least 4 stars for UVA protection. Make sure the sunscreen is not past its expiry date. Most sunscreens have a shelf life of 2 to 3 years.

### **3. Keep topping up the sun cream**

Try and put sun cream on your child at least half an hour before heading out to play - remember that you'll need to put more on throughout the day, especially if they've been swimming or paddling.

### **4. Always pack a sunhat**

It's a good idea for children to wear a floppy sunhat that protects their face and neck whenever they're out in the sun.

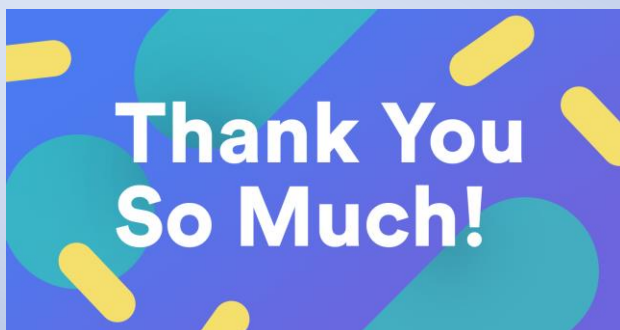
### **5. Drink lots of water**

Give your child access to water throughout the day, especially in warm weather. Encourage them to drink regularly - particularly when they've been running around.



<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/sun-safety-for-kids>

The Marine Academy Primary and Nursery teams are hugely appreciative of all of your kind words and support throughout this school closure period. Thank you very much!

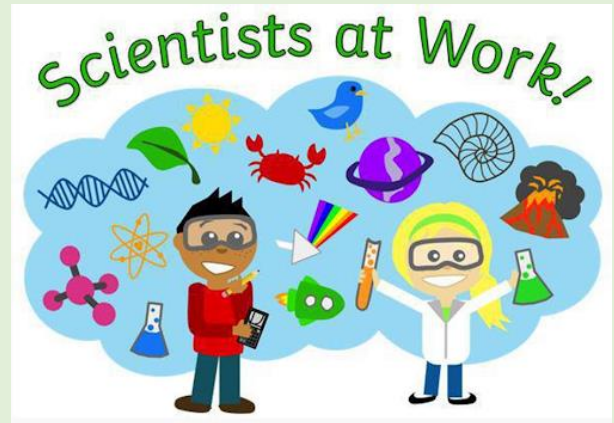


The lovely letters, pictures and gifts have put smiles on everyone's faces! We were even given a tree, with the most fantastic plaque, and everyone had pizza for lunch! The team massively appreciate this but also are just doing their jobs and working exceptionally hard to ensure that the Marine Academy families are still looked after and provided with a high quality education throughout such a surreal time.

We have seen lots of budding scientists at home over the last couple of months and we have a new experiment for you to try; ice cream in a bag! This uses products that you may already have in your house!

### Ingredients

- 1 cup of full fat milk or double cream
- 1.5 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- ice
- 1/4 cup salt
- Ziploc bags 1 Small, 1 Large



### Instructions

1. Pour 1 cup of half and half into a small Ziploc bag.



2. Add 1.5 teaspoons of vanilla extract and 1 tablespoon of sugar.



3. Seal the bag firmly and get any excess air out.



4. In the larger Ziploc bag, fill it about 1/2 way with ice. Add 1/4 cup of salt.



5. Then add your small bag and fill with extra ice on top. Seal the large bag.



6. Get gloves for shaking and shake for 6 minutes. \*Gloves are needed since the salt makes the ice extra cold - do not let this touch your skin.



7. Take the small bag out of the large bag and rinse the outside of the small bag with cold water. Make sure to rinse out the top part of the bag also (above the seal).

8. Once done rinsing, carefully open the small bag to not get any remaining salt from the outside of the bag inside the bag.

9. The ice cream will be a little icy looking to start. Use a spoon to mix it around and soften it up a bit. Scoop out and enjoy!



Make sure you send photos of the Science Experiment to [homelearning@marineacademy.org.uk](mailto:homelearning@marineacademy.org.uk)



## Learning Español at Marine Academy Primary

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 started successfully learning Español this academic year. Following Ms Bell and Miss Newell's trip to España, we have been developing the curriculum to include some new songs for the children to learn each term and some Cultural Heritage information about España.

During the next academic year, children will learn about the life of the famous writer Miguel Cervantes and his most famous novel Don Quijote. The story covers the adventures of a man who is going a little bit crazy as he (wrongly) believes he is a knight and tries to put the world to rights whilst causing lots of hilarious mayhem!



Children will have a lot of fun discovering the many different fiestas celebrated throughout España, such as San Fermin in Pamplona (where they allow bulls to run through the streets) and Las Fallas in Valencia (where they spend months crafting huge papier-mâché figures of politicians and famous places and parade them through the streets, before setting fire to them! Photographed). They will also look at geographical location and learn about the cultural differences between England and España. ¡Fantastico!



Your child can continue to learn Spanish at home by completing any Spanish lessons in the Home Learning Packs and by visiting Oak Academy and scrolling down to Español: <https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/year-3/foundation#subjects>