



## New Marston Year One Newsletter – Term 4



### Welcome Back!

Welcome back, we hope you all had a lovely break! The children have continued to make excellent progress last term, Ms Wilkinson (Beverly) and Miss Middleton were blown away with their resilience, growth and grit.

### Pick Up and Drop Off

Our school day **begins at 8.40 am**, and we expect children to arrive at that time. Our main gate to the garden will be **closed at 8.50 am**.

This is in order to allow the children the necessary time to get ready for the day, do the register and start moving to phonics just after 9am.

Pick up is at 3.10 pm, we will be **closing the gate at 3.20** and the children will then be taken to the office.

### PE

PE will still be on **Tuesday - Rugby** (*outdoors*) and **Thursday - Gymnastics** (*indoors*). This term we will be on the field so please do pack extra socks! If you have football/rugby boots at home your child is more than welcome to bring them into school on Tuesday and we will change into them for PE!

The children may come to school in their PE kit. As the weather is still unpredictable joggers and a long sleeved top are preferable. Please ensure your child has trainers on, we have had a few trips due to children having the wrong footwear.

### Lunches and Snacks

Meals will continue to be booked through School Grid. If you need any support accessing the website please speak to the office.

Every child should have a water bottle, every day. It is vital for them to hydrate during the school day, and they are given many opportunities to do so. If your child is not drinking water during the day please reiterate to them that they can do this at break, lunchtimes and transitions between lessons.

If you are giving your child a snack for break time please ensure that it is healthy, in line with our school policy. The children are very mindful of what is healthy and what we would class as a treat. Children should not be given lollipops, crisps or sweets at all, these are fine for home but the children are aware they cannot have them in school.

## Homework

Homework will be assigned through Dojo where you will receive a termly home learning menu. Children can select one piece of homework to complete each week from the selection given. As well as this, each week the children will receive a reading book to practice at home, we are still awaiting our Reading Records but it is vital the children read nightly. If you add it to their night time routine of bath/shower, then a book and bed it can really help build the habit of reading.

## Dates for your Diary

| Date          | Event  |
|---------------|--|
| 19th February | Start of Term 4                                    |
| 5th March     | Parent/Carer consultations                         |
| 7th March     | <b>World Book Day</b> & Parent/Carer consultations |
| 18th March    | PTA Easter Egg Hunt                                |
| 27th March    | Electives  |
| 28th March    | <b>End of Term 4 - 1.15 - 1.30pm Collection</b>    |
| 15th April    | Start of Term 5                                    |

*Unfortunately, Didcot Railway Centre have not come back to us with a date, so we may not be able to do this trip but we may do a Science workshop about plants instead.*

*Please check Class Dojo regularly to see additional dates that may be added during the course of the term.*

From The Year 1 Team,

*Ms Wilkins and Miss Middleton*