



# Marown Primary School

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## Welcome

I would like to wish a warm welcome back to all our new pupils, especially our new Reception Class of 2025 and our other new starters. We also have a new staff member this year, Mr Chalk, who is teaching in Y6. Our diary is filling up fast with lots of exciting learning opportunities planned for our children. Half termly newsletters are emailed home by the end of the 2nd week back of each half term, do look out for key dates on the back of these. If, for whatever reason, a newsletter doesn't arrive home by the second week of each half term, there will always be spares at the school office or they can be found on the school website. <https://marown.sch.im>

Parents' Meeting appointments will be available later this half term to enable you to meet with your child's class teacher to see how they have settled into their new class. Do look out for correspondence a few weeks before to arrange your appointment. A Parent Questionnaire will also be passed to you during your meeting, we do appreciate honest feedback regarding our school community and look forward to hearing about your thoughts and suggestions. Below are some general reminders. Please remember if you ever have any concerns to contact your child's class teacher as a first point of call and do not hesitate to get in touch. Kind regards, Mrs Jackson.

## Autumn Term 1

### Adventure Playground:

We are so very excited about our new Adventure Playground / outdoor play equipment. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the MSA who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes to get this amazing area completed for our children. I extend a big thank you also to all of our sponsors and parents for your support in the fundraising that has taken place to fund this huge project, our children are very lucky. The children have had an assembly about safety and have also been shown how to safely use the equipment. It is important to note that out of school hours, the school will not be held responsible for anyone playing on the equipment and the playground will be out of use BEFORE school starts.

### Parking / Congestion:

We have had concerns raised by local residents of the dangers the queues of traffic building up near to the junction on the road outside school. I urge you to walk to school to drop off and collect your children if possible, to alleviate the traffic pressures outside.

When parking your cars outside, please be aware of the new railings that have been put up parallel to the school building at the back of the playground.

### Parent Helpers:

If you are able to give up any regular time to help in school to bake or hear readers etc., please contact your child's class teacher. We do expect all regular volunteers to have a police check.

### P.E. / Swimming (for Y3-Y6):

Please ensure that your child has his/her full P.E. kit in school every day. It will be sent home at the end of every half term to be washed and returned. Please make sure that **all items of clothing**, even pumps, are labelled. It is much easier to return jumpers when they are named.

There have been some changes to the swimming timetable and Marown will commence lessons in February. You will receive further information about swimming nearer the time. If you are able to help, please contact your child's class teacher. We do expect all regular volunteers to have a police check.

### Golden Time / Wet Play Games:

Classes are always on the lookout for games, books, colouring in books and lego to play with during the unstructured times of the day. If you have any that are in good condition, please do pass these to our class teachers.

### Holidays:

Should you require special holiday leave for exceptional circumstances, you are asked to complete the holiday form which can be found on our website. Please provide details of the reason and don't just put holiday.

### School Development Priorities:

Further information will be shared around our improvement priorities in the next newsletter.





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## Class Information Forecast:

You should all by now have received a class information sheet which contains more detail around the learning for your child's class this half term, do look out for this every half term.

## Class Topics:

We have a whole school focus this half term around Inclusion; celebrating each other, neurodiversity, our differences, unpicking our school's core values, developing positive relationships.

## After School Collection:

We have been made aware that some parents have been asking their children to wait at school for 10 extra minutes after the school day finishes until their parents can collect them. It is important that arrangements are made for the children to be collected on time and all children leave the premises. Staff are not able to supervise at this time and often have training / staff meetings to attend to. We also need to know who is in the school for Fire Regulation purposes. We expect that all KS1 children are collected by an adult.





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## Dates for the diary

Monday 15 September	Isle Listen in KS2
Monday 22 September	Isle Listen in KS2
Monday 22 September	Y6 Cycling Week
Thursday 2 October	Individual School Photographs
Monday 6 October	Isle Listen in KS2
Wednesday 15 October	Junior Achievement – Y6
Tuesday 21 & Wednesday 22 October	Parents' Evenings
Thursday 23 October	MSA Autumn Disco (not fancy dress)
Monday 3 November	Return to school Isle Listen in KS2
Wednesday 5 November	QE2 Open Evening Governors' Meeting
Monday 10 November	Isle Listen – KS2
Thursday 13 November	Y4 Scooter Training
Friday 14 November	Children in Need – dress down day
Monday 17 November	West Midland Theatre Panto Company
Friday 21 November	MSA Dress down day – bring a ..... TBC
Friday 28 November	MSA Dress down day – bring a ..... TBC
Thursday 4 December	MSA Christmas Fair – TBC
Tuesday 9 December	KS1 Christmas Performances
Wednesday 10 December	KS2 Christmas Performances
Thursday 18 December	Christmas Craft afternoon (a parent is welcome to come in for this) Christmas Jumper Day / Christmas Dinner
Friday 19 December	Break up for Christmas
Monday 5 January	New term starts today