

17th September 2021

Executive Headteacher: Mrs. S Hall

### 'Back to School'

What a start it has been! I am so very proud of the children and how they have returned to Marshland. They are happy, willing to learn and look very smart in their new uniform. And they all seem so much taller! Thank you for making sure Marshland children are smart in their uniform—the children are a credit to you all!

### Celebration Assembly

We have started with our whole school assemblies again and I admit to feeling quite emotional when we first came together; it has been eighteen months since we did this. This Thursday saw our first Celebration Assembly, which we are calling The Greatest Show. This is an opportunity to celebrate everything that has happened in the past week.

Name	Class
Jose	Mrs Aston - FS2
Denver-Wray	Miss Farrar - Y1
Oscar	Mrs Latham - Y2
Skyla	Miss Clegg - Y3
Keiralee	Mrs Marshall - Y4
Maddison	Mrs Stables - Y5
Children at PGL	



- Well done to the children who were rewarded with our new 'Star of the Week' certificates and gold star badges.
- Congratulations to Mason who was given a Headteacher's Award and a special badge for his writing.
- Happy Birthday to Chloe, Niamh and Leah who have all had birthdays since we have been back at school.

### Attendance

Our attendance for the first week back at Marshland was over 99% - imagine if we could keep that going every single week! Ms Casson and I selected Y4 to win the attendance award this week as last year, as this is the first time for many months that the group has had 100% attendance. Their prize is ice lollies (which I am sure will be very welcomed in the September sunshine). Thank you to all our parents and carers for supporting our attendance drive; all I can ask is that you keep this up.

### Keeping in Touch

When the school had a clearout during August, we seemed to throw so much paper away and I am mindful of the amount of waste this is and also, the amount of money this must cost. With this in mind, newsletters will be sent to you electronically, as a link in a text message. If you would like a printed copy, then please let Mrs Casson know in the office and she will make sure your child(ren) brings a copy home in their backpack every week.

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### FareShare Shop

Please remember that every Thursday afternoon we have a shop at Marshland, run by Mrs Taylor. I have met with our Stronger Communities Officer and also our PCSO and we are hoping we can get a regular visitor to attend our shop so that there is an offer of advice and guidance. I am also hoping to offer tea and coffee (and possibly biscuits or cake) so that it becomes a social event for the community.

### Reading

Your child should have now brought their brand new reading book and reading record home which they can keep in their back pack. It is very important they bring their book to school **every day**. It is an expectation that all children read at home **three times a week**. Being able to read independently gives children a flying start in life and helps them become lifelong readers. Children will receive dojos for having their book in school and reading at home regularly. We will also make it priority that they read with an adult regularly in school.

Although there is still some caution needed with regards Covid, it is exciting to consider getting back to normal at Marshland!

Mrs Latham—English Leader

### Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for Parent Governor here at Marshland Primary Academy. Becoming a School Governor will allow you the opportunity to use your skills to have a positive impact on the education of the children in our school. You will be able to develop and learn new skills, take on different challenges and work as part of an established and successful governing body. If you are interested, or would like to discuss this role further, please contact Mrs Casson in the school office.

### Upcoming dates

\_19th October 2021 — School Photographs

22nd October 2021— School closes for half term

### ... and finally!

As mentioned earlier, it has been a great start to the term. Thank you for your continued support

Mrs Sarah Hall