

23rd September 2022

**Executive Headteacher: Mrs. S Hall**

### What has been going on?

It has been a busy and very successful start to the term as we approach the end of week three. We were all very sad about the passing of Queen Elizabeth and near the school library, we have displayed some royal art work and books as a tribute to this wonderful lady.

We have already had two visits out of Marshland. Our annual residential to PGL was very successful and involved our Year Six children swinging on a giant swing, canoeing on the lake and climbing towers to walk the 'high ropes'. The signal isn't great at Caythorpe, hence there were few images on Twitter, so Mrs Marshall will be holding a photo show for parents.



And some of our youngest children visited the local area. Mrs Aston took her class for a walk in the community, visiting the local shops. This is all work to make sure our curriculum is exciting, purposeful and builds children's skills and knowledge year-on-year.

### Star of the Week (for week beginning 12.9.22)

Name	Class
Lilli Marie	Mrs Aston - FS2
JJ	Miss Farrar - Y1
Laila Jade	Mrs Latham - Y2
Caiden	Miss Robnison - Y3
Skyla	Miss Gardiner - Y4
CJ	Mrs Stables - Y5
All of Year 6	Mrs Marshall - Y6



Well done to the children who have won the Star of the Week for this week—what a way to start! We have started to develop our Celebration Assemblies more so please make sure you keep reading to find out what has happened.

### Monday—PE Kit

Please support us making sure your child attends Marshland on a Monday wearing their PE kit. This should be black shorts/ leggings/ jogging bottoms and a plain white t-shirt. Please do not send children to the academy wearing slogans or wearing cropped-tops.

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### Assemblies

Last week, we continued to look at fundamental British values, with a focus on individual liberty. Looking ahead to next week, we are looking at 'harvest'. We will be collecting tins, packets, cartons of food and also any basic toiletries throughout the next two weeks. This will then be donated to the local foodbank. You are always very kind and supportive of initiatives such as these so I look forward to seeing the amazing donation we can make when we work together to help others.

### FareShare Shop

Please remember that every Thursday afternoon we have a shop at Marshland, run by Miss Ashton. We are keen to extend this further and now serve free tea, coffee and biscuits. The rising costs are something we are all aware of and if you want to come and sit, have a drink and catch up with other families then you are more than welcome. Over time, we are looking to put on light teas, such as jacket potatoes or soup, with the children being involved in running this service. If you have any suggestions about other ways we can help, then please let us know.

### Attendance

There is new guidelines out about attendance.

[Working together to improve school attendance \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://publishing.service.gov.uk) The Marshland curriculum is very well planned and every day matters. I'd like you to think about building a wall ... every day in school, the children are adding another brick to the wall in learning. But what happens if we have a brick missing? Or even five bricks missing because our child has taken a week off school?

In the academy, we have a system of rewards and the children receive prizes such as extra playtime, toast, milkshake and cookies. This is displayed in the corridor and we have gone for a pirate theme this year. Every Monday morning, the children will be told the prize for the week, so that they know attending every day for a full week will be rewarded with treats. Please support us with this—we can't do it without you!

**Attendance for week ending 16.9.22—Whole School Attendance for this week is 93.7%**

Class	Percentage	R A G
Mrs Jowitt - F1	97.3	Green
Mrs Aston - FS2	96.7	Green
Miss Farrar - Y1	91.2	Amber
Mrs Latham - Y2	98.8	*Winners*
Miss Robsinson - Y3	93.4	Amber
Miss Gardiner - Y4	92.9	Amber
Mrs Stables - Y5	94.1	Amber
Mrs Marshall - Y6	88.2	Red

Green is 96% and above, Amber is 90% - 95.9% and Red is below 90%

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### Reading

WE NEED YOUR HELP! We have weekly visits with leaders from Venn and this week we looked at reading books. There are some children who have made a really good start ... But then there are some children who have not picked a reading book up since we have returned. Your child will bring a reading book and a reading record home from Foundations Stage Two through to Year Six. This might be a 'colour band' book, a chosen book from the library or they might be a free reader. In addition to this, some children might have eBooks linked to our phonics scheme Little Wandle.



Reading is a life skill; something your children will do every day of their lives and we want them to be the very best they can be. We will do all we can at Marshland and we are planning different rewards and initiatives, but when they come home with a book at the end of the day, we need your support. Please sit and read to your child, let them read to you, share a book ... or if your child is more independent, just sign to say you know they have read to themselves. Working together, we can improve reading. And when Venn leaders are in again, I can show them exactly what we have done better!

### Mini Police



Following the success of this initiative last year, the children in Year Five are continuing their partnership with South Yorkshire Police. Meet out Mini Police!

The children had to apply and be interviewed for the role and have already taken a pledge and been issued their uniforms. Their first training session has been this week.

We want children at Marshland to grow up with the values we explore; ambition, kindness, enthusiasm, independence, respect and confidence.

Watch this space!

### Looking at the World

There are many aspects of the Marshland curriculum that promote children's thinking about life outside of Moorends, Doncaster and indeed the UK. We thought it would be a nice idea to link this thinking to the food we eat and look at how much of what we eat comes from other countries. We are looking for labels from food and packaging. These will be displayed in the dining hall with a world map. We look forward to seeing where our bread and butter comes from!

Thank you for your continued support  
Mrs Sarah Hall

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