

May 2023

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### What has been going on?

It has been a very successful start to the summer term and the learning opportunities we have planned have been exciting and memorable! Please look at the summer term plans for your child/ children's year groups on the academy website [Our Curriculum - Marshland Primary Academy](#) so you know what is happening when we come back after half-term. Please continue to support your child with their homework menu that look at the curriculum themes.

Nursery—'How Does Your Garden Grow?'

Reception—'Down on the Farm'

Year One—'Splash'

Year Two—'Let's Explore!'

Year Three—Gods and Mortals

Year Four—


Year Five—

Year Six—Digging Deep




One of the best parts of learning, and something the children always remember, is an educational visit. So far this year we have visited a number of places and we have more planned. We try and give you as much notice as possible as these trips do cost money. This term, we are going to try and do some fundraising events to try and reduce the costs, but we do rely heavily on parental contributions. **We are very grateful for your support.**

### Stars of the Week for May



Class	05.5.23	12.5.23	19.5.23	26.5.23
Mrs Aston - FS2	<b>Summer</b>	<b>Marnie</b>	<b>Rocco</b>	<b>Maya</b>
Miss Farrar - Y1	<b>Lottie-Mai</b>	<b>Theo</b>	<b>Carter</b>	<b>Grace</b>
Mrs Latham - Y2	<b>Savannah</b>	<b>Henry</b>	<b>Everyone!</b>	<b>George</b>
Mr Whitehead - Y3	<b>Lily</b>	<b>Caiden</b>	<b>Kaleb</b>	<b>Nigel</b>
Miss Gardiner - Y4	<b>Amelia</b>	<b>Tia</b>	<b>Everyone!</b>	<b>Mickey</b>
Mrs Stables - Y5	<b>Ameara-Jenny</b>	<b>Ollie</b>	<b>Ruby-Anne</b>	<b>Elliyarna</b>
Mrs Marshall - Y6	<b>Everyone!</b>	<b>Everyone!</b>	<b>Alisha</b>	<b>Alexandra</b>



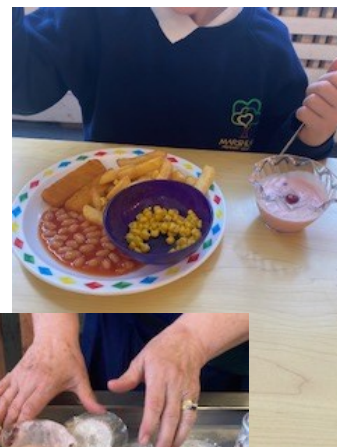
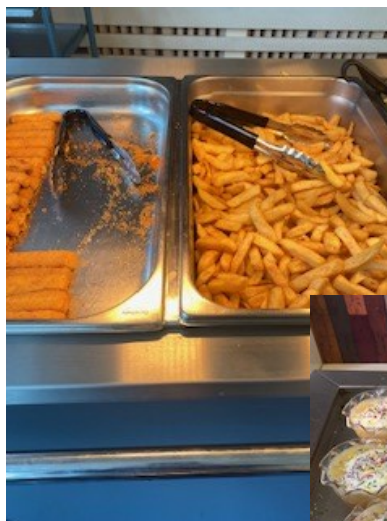
Well done to the children who have won the Star of the Week throughout May. The hot chocolate and marshmallows for children's efforts in home reading are going down really well. As always, we are very, very proud of our children.

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## School Lunches

The new providers for our hot meals (Venn) started when we returned after Easter and what a difference it has made! Not only has the cost gone down to £1.50 a meal, the children are eating from plates and bowls, rather than the plastic trays we have used in the past. The meals are of very high quality and each day, the children have access to a salad bar and also a varied choice of desserts. Friday is the most popular day, with it being 'fish and chip Friday'.



## Attendance

We have started to see a continued improvement in our attendance, especially in the number of children who have an attendance figure of less than 90%; those who are classed as persistent absentees. I have met with a number of parents and for some, this has been a very informative meeting as there has been a discussion about exactly how attendance impacts on learning. **We really do appreciate your support.**

Class	w.e. 5.5.23	w.e. 12.5.23	w.e. 19.5.23	w.e. 24.4.23
Mrs Jowitt - F1	80.4%	78.9%	86.9%	88.8%
Mrs Aston - FS2	96.5%	87.5%	95.0%	91.1%
Miss Farrar - Y1	87.5%	92.5%	97.0%	93.8%
Mrs Latham - Y2	87.5%	90.6%	96.3%	100%
Mr Whitehead - Y3	98.0%	92.6%	91.8%	88.2%
Miss Gardiner - Y4	93.3%	93.8%	96.3%	95.0%
Mrs Stables - Y5	90.9%	98.5%	97.2%	96.8%
Mrs Marshall - Y6	97.9%	98.6%	100%	94.1%
Whole School	91.4%	92.4%	95.5%	93.7%

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### Your Place

[YOUR FAMILY TRIAGE - POSTER \(All Areas\) \(1\).pdf](#)

Please find a link to a poster advertising Your Place. This is a service based at the Vermuyden Centre in Thorne that offers help for a wide range of issues you might be having as a family.

### A Right Royal Do!

The staff and children celebrated the Coronation in style. Mrs Marshall rolled out her red carpet (which is reserved especially for the Y6 Oscar Ceremony) and the children held a special assembly. As a keepsake, we purchased special badges and the day ended with ice creams. Our Friday assemblies are always very special occasions anyway, but adding the Coronation of King Charles to this event, made it extra-special. We always post on Twitter to share our Friday celebration news—please make sure you follow us on @Marshlandprima1



### Keeping the Site Safe

We do all we can to keep the site safe and clean. To help us do this, can I please ask that you do not bring dogs onto the site. There are signs up, but I thought it is worth reminding you in this newsletter. I have dogs myself, two very lazy, content dogs but I would be reluctant to bring them into the academy as I do not know how they would respond to crowds of children, especially when they are running around. We can't predict a dog's behaviour so it is therefore best they are kept away from the site. **Thank you for your co-operation.**



### Your Opinion Matters

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Your opinion matters at Marshland. Please complete the online survey using the link above.

### Year Four Times Tables Check

Learning time tables is part of the Marshland's improvement plan. Year Four have a statutory test in June and the children are getting great results. If you get any spare five minutes with your children over the Easter break, encourage them to practise their tables, saying them out loud. 'One times three is three, two times three is six, three times three is nine, etc.'

### Say Hello!

We have welcomed some new families into Marshland. Like I have said previously, when families and their children come and look round Marshland, they really like what they see. That's thank to your children; we are very proud! Have a fabulous half-term holiday—stay safe, especially if this sunshine continues!

Mrs Sarah Hall

*'At the heart of it all is the child'*