

May 2024

Executive Headteacher: Mrs. S Hall

May

The summer term has continued with success at Marshland. We are constantly working hard to make progress and achieve the best we can and again, we have welcomed some new families in. We work really hard to plan the curriculum so that it is exciting and interesting for our children. However, sometimes things take us by surprise and it has been our resident nest of pied wagtails that has sparked the most interest these past few days. Please look at our Facebook page [\(5\) Facebook](#) for some lovely photographs.

As we prepare for the final half-term, we are hoping to plan some parents/ carer events to showcase the fabulous work our children have done.

Stars of the Week for May



Well done to the children who have won the Star of the Week throughout March. Please look at our Facebook page [\(5\) Facebook](#) X page (formerly Twitter) @MarshlandPrima1 to see the range of awards we share in our Celebration Assemblies.



Class	3.5.24	10.5.24	17.5.24	24.5.24
Mrs Edginton - FS2	All of FS2	Darbi	Isaac	Adalind
Miss Stewart - Y1	Archie	Ruby	Jorja	Ivy
Mrs Latham - Y2	River	Romie	Brooklyn	All of year 2
Mrs Speakman - Y3	Kyron	Leyton	Lucy	Bella
Miss Gardiner - Y4	Daisy	All of Year 4	All of Year 4	Caiden
Mrs Stables - Y5	Travis M	Harper	Harvey	Amelia
Mrs Chapman/ Mrs Marshall - Y6	Ruby-Anne	Keiralee	All of Year 6	Mustafa

Statutory Assessments

Every year, our children sit Statutory Assessment Tests in Year Six. It really is a tough week for them and is simply a measure of how they perform in a grammar, punctuation and spelling paper, a reading test and three maths papers. This year, our Year Six children tackled the tests with resilience and determination and we are all very proud of them. Regardless of the results, they have all achieved so much this year. As we start to prepare to send them onto their different Y7s, we are looking forward to filling their final half-term at Marshland with amazing memories.



The next half-term also sees statutory assessments for our Year One children as they have to sit a Phonics Screening Check. Year Four children have to take a Multiplication Tables Check. Both these assessments take place during the second week in June. We are doing everything we can, but your help would be really appreciated. Over the half-term make sure your child is reading and if they are in Y4, use every opportunity to practise their times tables.

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Educational Visits

Educational visits are such an important part of our curriculum offer and they help to create magical memories for our children. We have had a number of trips out since we returned after the Easter break and we've not even let the rain put us off! Y2 have just returned from Austerfield Study Centre—and the creatures came indoors out of the rain!

These trips are really important, and we appreciate all of your contributions towards the costs of these. After the break, we will look at different fund-raising activities to try and raise money so these trips can happen again next year.



Attendance

[Holidays During Term Time - City of Doncaster Council](#) This is the link to the Doncaster Council's page which contains the relevant information about holiday during term time. In September 2024, this will change and the process will become more thorough and the price of fines will increase. Please do not plan any holidays during term time—you will be fined. **We really do appreciate your support.**

Class	w.e. 3.5.24	w.e. 10.5.24	w.e. 24.5.24
Mrs Edginton - FS2	90.7%	88.3%	68.6%
Miss Stewart - Y1	89.0%	92.5%	84.0%
Mrs Latham - Y2	85.9%	89.8%	81.8%
Mrs Speakman - Y3	87.5%	93.0%	91.3%
Miss Gardiner - Y4	86.3%	92.1%	93.9%
Mrs Stables - Y5	94.4%	98.4%	93.8%
Mrs Chapman/ Mrs Marshall - Y6	93.8%	97.1%	90.4%
Whole School	89.5%	93.5%	86.4%

Building Work

You will have noticed the building site being set up on the playground!

As we are part of Venn Academy Trust, we have been able to access improvement funds for the building. The building is not energy efficient and we need a new boiler. Instead of replacing the existing boiler, we have been very lucky to be given the funds to have an underground heat pump. Not only is this more energy efficient, it is also more environmentally friendly and there are very few schools that have them. Marshland will be at the forefront of new technology, which is very exciting.

There will, of course, be some disruption and we will keep you up-dated. The first thing you will notice is that we will not be able to access the school field as this is where the pipes are being installed. However, the new installation future-proofs the building and we are really pleased that we were successful in getting the funding for this.

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Part of the community



As mentioned, our Year Six children had a week of formal assessments and to ensure they were 'fuelled' for the tests, we gave them breakfast every morning. The Thursday breakfast was extra-special as the children had bacon buns. Mrs Marshall had the help from her sister to cook them, and the bacon was kindly donated by **Chris Huby** the local butcher in Moorends.

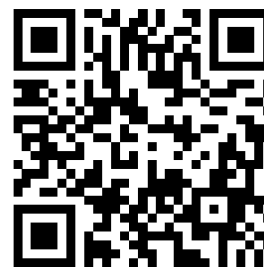
If you pop into the shop—please say thank you on our behalf ... the bacon was amazing!

Cyber-Bullying

Unfortunately, we have had to deal with some incidents that have involved children sending texts/ messages to each other that involves some unkind words.

On **Monday 8th July** at 9:00, we have a parent/ carer event delivered by the NSPCC. This looks at strategies to keep children safe online and is open to all parents/ carers. We will ensure that refreshments are available.

[Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying.pdf](#) This link provides very useful hints and tips for us as parents. It looks at the concept of cyber-bullying; what this is and how this can be reported. The QR Code also provides a link for Parent Guides on how to keep children safe online



scan the QR code with your phone's camera for Parent Guides on how to help keep your children safe online

Worried About a Child

We often have parents come to talk to us to say they have seen something that worries them. An example of this, is children playing outside, late on an evening, with no adult supervision. If you do have a worry or see something that worries you, please use this link [Contact Children's Services - City of Doncaster Council](#) which has a phone number and an online form to complete.

Facebook

Our new Facebook page is going well and we have over 70 followers in a couple of weeks. Can we please ask that you share this with any other friends and neighbours in Moorends. It would be great if we could get more people to see the great opportunities that the children have and make sure that Marshland is the place where everyone wants to send their children. Let's put us firmly on the map!

Useful Dates

Monday 3rd June—school re-opens

Monday 24th June—Marshland will be closed to all pupils

Monday 8th July—NSPCC event for parents and carers

We are at the end of May ... how did that happen? Have a fabulous half-term holiday with your children and we will see you on Monday 3rd June.

The Marshland Team

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South Yorkshire Autism Pre Diagnosis Support - What Matters to you?

We would like to hear from young people (5-18) and their families from South Yorkshire, who are currently awaiting an autism assessment or have under gone an assessment within the last 12 months. We would like to know what support you found beneficial or what could have been better for you.



Please scan the QR code from your mobile device to share your views



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Closing date 31st July 2024

