



**North Marston Church of England School
School Hill
North Marston
Bucks MK18 3PE**

Challenging each other to love learning and truly care.

05.05.23

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Cricket festival

Congratulations to the children in KS1 who took part in the cricket festival last week at the Sportsfield. They enjoyed learning new skills alongside children from other local schools.

Y5/6 Benchball

A group of year 5 and 6 pupils represented the school at a benchball tournament at AGS this week. This was a new event for us and the team did us proud and gave it their best.

PTA

Many thanks to the PTA for providing the funding of £1,565 for a new touchscreen in Y5/6 and £550 for the annual subscription to First News. There are some summer events being planned which will be shared with you in the near future.

Celebration Worship



All parents are welcome to join us for our time of worship on Friday afternoons at 2.40pm. If your child has achieved an award outside of school they are welcome to bring it into school to share their success with us at this time too. You will be notified the day before if your child is to receive a certificate, but they will not be told prior to the assembly. The classes will be sharing their learning on the following dates; 12.05.23-YR, 19.05.23-Y5/6, 09.06.23-Y3/4, 16.06.23-Y1, 23.06.23-Sports Day, 30.06.23-Y2, 07.07.23- YR, 14.07.23- Y5/6, 21.07.23-Leaver's service.

School Website

Please take a look at our school website www.northmarstonceschool.co.uk.

The calendar on the website is updated regularly so if you are unsure about events or activities please check this. There are also many documents and policies for you to access as parents including the school complaints procedure.

There are photos celebrating activities and events in the gallery.

Please use the website as your first port of call for dates and information of events.

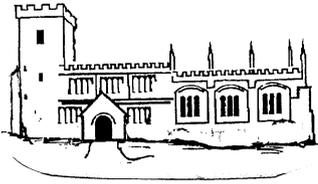
There is another area which has been added in the parents section which contains useful links to events and activities and other sources of local information.

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Second hand school uniform

Good quality second hand uniform is available for anyone to purchase at £1 per item. If you have any good quality uniform to donate please can you send it into the office but it must be clean and free from pet hair to make sure it is safe to sell on. A list of the available stock is regularly updated. Emily Betts coordinates this for us. Please contact her on dremilybetts@gmail.com, if you would like to buy any uniform.

Easy Fundraising

Please remember that if you are ordering online, many companies will donate a percentage of the cost to our school if you go through Easyfundraising. It is at no cost to you but benefits the school. Go to www.easyfundraising.org.uk and register to donate to North Marston C E School

Amazon wish list

We have added several more items to the wish list on Amazon of resources and books which we are in need of. Should you wish to, you can purchase some resources for the school. We would be really grateful for any help you feel you could give. Please use the link. Amazon.co.uk **We have been informed that the link does not always work so it is advisable to copy and paste this into the browser.**

The PTA is registered on Amazon Smile, so we can raise money with any items you buy on Amazon.

Food allergies

Please be mindful that we have children in school with nut and other food allergies.

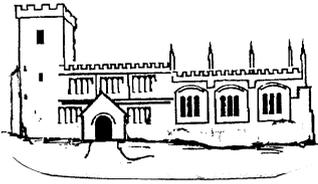
We ask that you do not put items with nuts or nut products such as peanut butter or Nutella into lunchboxes. Any break time snack which KS2 children bring must be fresh fruit or veg.

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Attendance

It is vital that your child attends school as much as possible and 96% attendance is the rate expected for a primary school child. The DfE monitor attendance in schools and any pupil with a rate of 90% or less is considered to be a persistent absentee. There are currently a number of children in this category at our school and this is a concern. The more school a child misses, the more likely they are to fall behind. We are aware that there have been some illnesses in school which have led to some children being unable to attend but please make every effort to help your child attend school and achieve the best outcomes possible.

Dates

Friday 5th May- Coronation celebrations, no celebration worship
Monday 8th May- Bank Holiday
Tuesday 9th May-Friday 12th May- Y6 SATs
Thursday 18th May- Y6 visit to Hazard Alley
Thursday 25th May- pupils break up for half term
Friday 26th May- Inset day
Monday 5th June- School reopens after half term break

Best Wishes,
Cathy Gouldstone and all the staff at North Marston School.

Our value for this term is *Courage*
How do we demonstrate *Courage* at school? We represent the school in activities and events

Please follow these links for advice and support on how to **keep your children safe online**.

[Home Learning \(barefootcomputing.org\)](http://barefootcomputing.org)

www.thinkuknow.co.uk

https://www.internetmatters.org/digital-matters/modules/?user_type=parent

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