## Diary Dates



<u>October</u> Monday 30th -Return to school Tuesday 31st—Reception trip to Haigh Hall

November Monday 6th —Ancient Greece Workshop Thursday 16th—Governors Friday 24th—Non-uniform Day WC 27th—Parent's Meetings

<u>December</u> Friday 1st—Christmas Fayre Wednesday 6th—Carol Service at The Edge for the Choir Tuesday 12th—Reception to Smithills Farm Thursday 21st—Break Up for Christmas

\*\*Return to School Monday 8th January 2023\*\*





## **Achieve, Believe and Celebrate**

Thursday 19th October 2023

## **First Half Term**

As we come to the end of this half term, it is important to update you on Marsh Green's journey following the recent Ofsted inspection. As a school, we have implemented new and exciting changes. We have a new Spanish curriculum for our Key Stage 2 children (focusing on speaking and listening). The highlight this half terms has been children learning to sing in Spanish! We also have a new computing curriculum that will help prepare your child for life after primary school. We have been able to provide a range of enrichment opportunities for our children, including: Y5 Viking day, Y2-Y6 First Aid training and Y3 had a visit from a beekeeper! Reception and Year 1 have settled well into their new class-

rooms and routines too. They have their first trip of the year next half term.

Other changes, that you may have observed, are around our behaviour expectations. We have updated our behaviour policy, please see our school website for further details. At Marsh Green, the safety of your child and our staff are our priority We have a duty of care to keep your children safe and all of our staff. If you ever wish to discuss decisions that have been made, please make an appointment at the office and we would be happy to meet with you to share our behaviour policy.

It is important that we all treat everyone within our school community with respect.

If respect is not shown, we will take any action necessary to ensure everyone's safety. Sleep Support

At any given time up to 40% of adults and 50% of children (this rises to 80% with a SEND diagnosis) have difficulties with their sleep. Yet in a recent survey, almost 60% of adults felt there was a lack of support for sleep issues. Sleep problems can leave people feeling isolated and lonely.

Our free helpline is run by trained sleep advisors, many of whom are specialists in working with SEND. We can talk to young people directly, or parents (we can also talk to adults, including older people, about their sleep issues).

The helpline is open 5 times a week, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday evenings 7-9pm, and Monday, Wednesday mornings 9-11am. The number is 03303 530 541. You can read more here: https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/ national-sleep-helpline/

School Houses
At the start of term Mrs Leigh visited the classes with her special sorting Hat to organise all the children into one of our new four houses—Oak, Beech, Sycamore, Ash. Children earn house points for showing our school values. We are delighted that our very first winners this half term were from Beech House, who are allowed to come into school in their own clothes on the last day of the half term. Well done Beech House!

Parking and dropping off

Please be aware that we have a few children and a governor that are registered disabled. It is crucial that the disabled parking spots are kept clear for those members of our school that need these spaces. Thank you for your support with this. Please do not park and leave children to walk across the car park unsupervised.
Children must not leave cars without an adult, to ensure the safety of all. 

MacMillan Tea Party

Thank you so much for your support with the tea party. The children really enjoyed buying and eating cakes in class. Because of your support we raised the magnificent sum of £168.47 which has been sent off to the charity. This fits in well with the Give aspect of our 5 Ways to Wellbeing.

Parents in School
We have Parent's drop in on a Friday morning in the small hall. Please feel free to join us for a cup of tea or coffee between 9-10am. We have been pleased to welcome a range of different visitors to help with issues including; housing, MHST, health
We will also be holding Parent's Evening face-to-face

after half term—watch our for the letter to book your time.

Classes also welcome parents in on designated mornings to join their children with their start of the day activities. Please feel free to join one of these sessions.

Pre-loved Uniform and Clothing
In school we have a selection of good condition pre-loved uniform and items of clothing. This is a great way to recycle and reuse for a greener school.
We also will be holding a uniform swap session soon. If you need any items of clothing or shoes just ask and we will see if we have what you need in the right size.
We know how frustrating it can be to lose an item of clothing. Please make sure your child's name is in every clothing. Please make sure your child's name is in every item of clothing so that anything lost can easily be returned to its owner.