



Friday 1st April 2022

Dear Parents / Carers,

This week we had a visit from the Ministry of Chocolate for all lower key stage two. Year 3 and 4 pupils learnt all about where chocolate comes from, how it is made and even got to make their own chocolate treats! What was most pleasing to hear was the feedback from our visitors. All the children were praised for their behaviour, this was great to hear and I am extremely proud of them.

Next week, we are building up to a busy end of term. We wish all of our year 6 children a fantastic time away on their residential visit to Marrick Priory. We are also very much looking forward to seeing all of the Easter competition entries... I egg-spect it will be a smashing end to the term.

I hope you enjoy a lovely weekend and I look forward to welcoming you on Monday for our final week of term.

Kind regards
Richard Grogan
Headteacher



Follow us on twitter
to see what the
children are up to on
a daily basis.

Easter Competitions

Please see page 5 for further details
about the Easter competitions
happening next week.

Pupil of the Week



Class	Pupil of the week
Nursery	Marley
Reception – Julia Donaldson	Jemima P
Class 1 – Oliver Jeffers	Paisley
Class 1/2 – Rachel Bright	Evie B
Class 2 – Anthony Browne	Hunter
Class 3 – David Walliams	Oliver D
Class 3/4 -Cressida Cowell	Harry S
Class 4 – Valerie Bloom	Ava D
Class 5 – Charlie Mackesy	Amelia H
Class 6 – Maya Angelou	Harrison
Deaf Resource	Jason S

Attendance

Class	Attendance This Week	Attendance This year so far
Nursery	86.5%	85.3 %
Reception	91%	92.4%
Year 1	67.1%	92.3%
Year 1/2	91%	95.6%
Year 2	98.5%	96.5%
Year 3	93.7%	96.0%
Year 3/4	95.4%	96.5%
Year 4	94.2	96.0%
Year 5	89.4%	97%
Year 6	90.7%	93.9%



Attendance this week
overall – 90.2%

Attendance this year
overall – 95.5%

Every second of every school day is vital for your child's attainment. Together we need to ensure your child attends school every day in order to achieve their maximum potential. We know children become ill but getting them back to school as soon as possible is vital, so that lost education is limited to a minimum. If your child is on medication, this can be administered by school. Just pop to reception and fill out a form and we will do the rest.

If for any reason you are having problems getting your child to school let us know, we are here to help.

On-Line Safety

Poppy Playtime

We have had a number of children talking about the above game in school. Although the game appears to have no age limit, the game is designed to appeal to young children however some of the imagery may be frightening to them and the style of gameplay could increase feelings of anxiety or stress.



Poppy Playtime is a [first-person survival horror](#) where the player plays as a former employee of Playtime Co. who returns to the abandoned toy factory of said company after receiving a letter from the staff who were thought to have disappeared 10 years ago. The protagonist discovers that Huggy Wuggy, a large humanoid figure that acts as the mascot of the company, is alive and is malicious towards them, along with other enemies throughout the factory. these chase the player through the abandoned factory.

If children search this game on YouTube to watch clips or search any of the characters, because they are based on soft toys or children's toys, filters allow a lot more material through, some of which is very inappropriate for children.

Please be mindful of what your child is playing and watching and set the filters on devices at the appropriate level.

There is a good video on YouTube for parents explaining more about this game. We will put the link on our school dojo page.

[Is Poppy Playtime safe for Kids? | Online Safety Briefing - YouTube](#)



Roblox

Roblox has in game characters based on Peppa Pig. This character and add-on to the game is similar to Poppy Playtime and is designed as a survival horror game with the characters who chase and jump scare the player causing anxiety and increased fear.

Office Updates



Uniform Bank Appeal

We are in the process of setting up a school uniform bank and are appealing to our parents for your support.

We are looking for donations of any school uniform that your child may have outgrown that is clean and in good condition.

Please bring these to your class teacher as soon as possible.

This would be greatly appreciated.

More details to follow when we have a good stock of uniform.



Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is extremely popular this year. Places **must therefore be booked through the MCAS app** – this can be done through the “wraparound care” option. **We can only allow children to attend if places are booked.** To enable registration places must be booked before 4pm the previous day, and for Mondays places must be booked before 4pm on the Friday beforehand.

School Car Park

The school car park is for staff only, disabled access, children who have school transport and taxis. Parents must not use the car park for pick up and drop offs as this is preventing access for those who require use of the car park.



After School Clubs February – April

Places can still be booked via the MCAS app under the club’s section. Please note places are booked on a first come first served basis.

Club	Phase	Day
Football	KS2 Girls	Wednesday
Archery	KS2	Thursday
Art Club	KS2	Thursday
Young Voices	KS2	Thursday
Creative Writing	KS1	Thursday
Yoga	KS1	Thursday
Football	KS1	Thursday
Multi Skills	KS1/EYFS	Thursday

Music Lesson Timetable

Please make sure you send your child with their instrument on the days below:

Strings – Tuesday
Guitar - Wednesday
Keyboard - Wednesday
Brass - Wednesday
Woodwind – Wednesday

Music Tuition is now available to pay on MCAS.

This can be found under Products > Music Lessons. There is an option to pay in instalments if you wish to do so. If your child takes part in the above music lessons, please ensure the full amount is paid **before Friday 8th April 2022.**



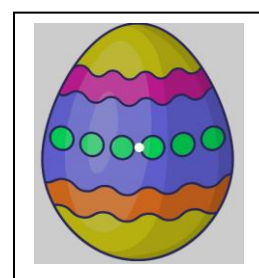


Next week we will be holding different competitions for the children to enter to celebrate Easter. We hope the children can all get involved in at least one of the below events. Winners will be decided on the last afternoon of this half term.

Egg Decorating Competition

(50p entry price towards the Buddy Bench)

Entries can be brought into school from Monday 4.4.22 and will be put on display in the Hall for all to see (Year 6's on Residential welcome to bring in entries when they return) – The eggs will be judged on Friday 8th April and a winner announced from each Key Stage (4 prizes)



Easter Bonnet Competition

Open to the whole school, we'd like everyone to get involved. Design and make your own Easter Bonnet and bring to school on Friday 8th April for the Easter Bonnet Parade which will be held on Friday afternoon. Prizes will be won for the best bonnet from each Key Stage (4 Prizes)

Easter Egg Race

(50p entry price towards Buddy Bench)

Design and make your own mode of transport for an egg to race in. The vehicle must hold the egg and must be homemade. You can use any materials that you think will make your vehicle go further (not mechanised). The vehicles will be launched from a ramp and the distance they travel will be measured. There will be prizes for the vehicle that travels the furthest and for the best design.



Week 1

Next weeks dinner menu is Week 1

'Green Earth Monday'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Wholemeal Margherita Pizza Slice with Jacket Wedges	Classic Pasta Bolognese & Garlic Bread	Easter Lunch Menu (see next page)	BBQ Pulled Pork Bun with Wedges	Crispy Breaded Fish Fingers (Pollock) & Chips
Thai green vegetable curry with mixed rice and naan	Veggie Mince Spaghetti Bolognese & Garlic Bread		Sticky Barbecue Vegetables & Noodles	Crispy Veggie Burger with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Green Beans Sweetcorn	Broccoli Roasted Summer Vegetables		Wok Bashed Vegetables Carrots/Mixed Salad	Baked Beans Garden Peas
Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans				
Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna	Sandwich: Ham, cheese or tuna
Orange & Banana Traybake	Apple Flapjack	Oaty Raisin Cookies with Watermelon Slice	Watermelon & Pineapple Slices	Chocolate Cookie

Week 2

'Green Earth Monday'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Wholemeal Margherita Pizza with Herby Diced Potatoes	Pork Sausage & Mash With a Rich Gravy	Roast of the Day Gammon with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Chicken & Sweetcorn Meatball Sub with Arrabiata Sauce & Baked Wedges	Crispy Breaded Fish Fingers (Pollock) & Chips
Veggie shepherds pie	Veg Sausage & Mash With a Rich Gravy	Roast Veggie Balls with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Gravy	Creamy Baked Macaroni Cheese	Veggie Hot Dog with Onions & Chips
Sweetcorn & Peppers Garden Peas	Green Beans Cauliflower	Carrots Savoy Cabbage	Broccoli Roasted Winter Vegetables	Baked Beans Garden Peas
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Oaty Raisin Cookies with Watermelon Slice	Cinnamon Pear Upside Down Cake with Chocolate Drizzle	Jam Tart & Custard	Lemon & Blueberry Yoghurt Cake	(Hidden) Beetroot Brownie

Week 3

'Green Earth Monday'	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Veggie Meatballs with a Mediterranean Tomato Sauce & Fluffy Cous Cous	Traditional Toad in the Hole with Gravy	Roast of the Day Turkey with Stuffing & Gravy	Rich & Rustic Lamb & Root Vegetable Hotpot	Classic Friday Fish & Chips with Tomato Sauce
Wholemeal Margherita Pizza with a half portion of Baby Baked Potatoes	Autumn Vegetable & Wholewheat Tortilla 'Lasagne'	Quorn Roast with Stuffing, & Gravy	Creamy baked macaroni cheese	Mozzarella & Fresh Tomato Melt with Chips & Tomato Sauce
Mixed Vegetables Garden Salad	Green Beans Cauliflower	Wok Bashed Vegetables Carrots	Broccoli Sweetcorn	Baked Beans Garden Peas
Freshly Baked Jacket Potato with your Choice of Toppings: Tuna & Mayonnaise, Grated Cheese or Baked Beans				
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Chocolate Shortbread with Apple Smiles	Carrot Cake Cookie	Peach Shortcake Bar & Custard	Watermelon & Pineapple Slices	Lemon & Courgette Slice



EASTER LUNCH MENU

ROAST CHICKEN OR QUORN ROAST

WITH YORKSHIRE PUDDING. STUFFING. ROAST POTATOES. PEAS & CARROTS

CHOCOLATE EASTER EGG NEST CAKE

Dates for your diary

Monday 4 th – Wednesday 6 th April	Marrick Priory Year 6 Residential
Wednesday 6 th April	Zoolab visit to EYFS (contributions to be made via MCAS)
Thursday 7 th April	KS1 Class Celebration 2pm
Friday 8 th April	Easter Celebration and Easter egg competition
Friday 8 th April	Last day of school before April Half Term

Useful Contacts

Useful well-being and mental health information:

For children and young people:

WF- I-CAN

<https://wf-i-can.co.uk/>

Young Minds

<https://youngminds.org.uk/>

CAMHS Single point of access

01977 735865

<https://www.southwestyorkshire.nhs.uk/services/camhs-wakefield>

The screenshot shows the Childline website's 'Deaf Zone' page. The header is blue with the 'childline' logo, the tagline 'ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME', and contact information 'Call 0800 1111'. Navigation buttons include 'Info and advice', 'Get support', 'Toolbox', and 'Get involved'. A 'Your Locker' button with a 'Sign in' option is also present. The main content area is red and features the 'DEAF ZONE' title, a brief description of the service, and a video player for 'Deaf Zone BSL Video'. A search bar and utility buttons like 'HIDE PAGE' and 'SAVE PAGE' are visible on the right side.

Childline has an advice and support section with British Sign Language and ways to contact childline. Deaf zone | Childline

Young Minds

Young minds offer a lot of support for both children and also for parents to help their children.

Please visit the Young Minds Parent page on the website to find out more.

The screenshot shows the Young Minds website's parent support page. The header is blue with the 'YOUNGMINDS' logo and the tagline 'Lighting the way for young people's mental health'. The main content area is pink and features the question 'What do you need help with?' followed by five yellow buttons: 'My child's feelings and behaviour', 'Getting help for my child', 'Talking to my child', 'Parents Helpline and Webchat', and 'I don't know where to start'.

[Parents Mental Health Support | Advice for Your Child | YoungMinds](#)

For Adults:

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/health-care-and-advice/public-health/mental-health-wellbeing/mental-health-support>

Mind

<https://www.mind.org.uk/>

[Turning Point Talking Therapies](#)

01924 234860

<https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/health-care-and-advice/public-health/mental-health-wellbeing/mental-health-support>

School Uniform Stockists

Our School Uniform stockists are both still operating and orders can be made for school wear, book bags and PE kits.

Signature Retail, Ropergate, Pontefract

Signature Retail are operating a click and collect system as well as accepting orders online through their website www.signatureretail.co.uk

If you would like to make a purchase via phone, please telephone 01977 600324. Payments can be made over the phone and items can be collected at certain times.

Better and Bright Schoolwear

Better and Bright Schoolwear are currently taking orders through their website:

www.betterandbrightschoolwear.co.uk

Alternatively, you may purchase items by calling 07486 140776 or 07837 078981

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support