



Marine Park First School Newsletter



Easter Holiday Homework- The Marine Park Spellathon

A final reminder about our plans for Easter Holiday homework aimed at making spelling exciting! We will be issuing Y1-4 pupils with year group spellings (with some really tricky ones too) to learn over the Easter holiday (and first week back). We will test the children on our Spellathon Day at the end of the first week back after Easter (26/4/19). We will be rewarding children who have improved scores the most (we will know this by having an unsighted test on some of the words before Easter) as well as those with high scores. All pupils that increase their score will receive a family credit! We hope your child enjoys the challenge!

Wonderful Walk to School Week

Many thanks to all that participated and helped make the Walk to School Week a success.



Thanks to the Junior Apprentices for leading the Wake and Shake on the yard. We will be seeing more of the apprentices again during a second Walk to School Week which coincides with Sports' Days at the end of June.

Thanks also to staff, parents and pupils that came along for our mass Walk to School event. We have put a copy of the quiz (and answers) on the parentzone of our website. The event attracted some media interest. You can watch a short clip by [clicking here](#) (also available in the gallery section of the website).

Remember, we have established two sites where Marine Park parents (that drive their children to school) can park on a morning before walking the last part of the journey to the school gate with their child- they are the Spanish City and Bournemouth Gardens car parks.



Well done to the Green Emeralds

Well done to the green emeralds! They won this term's family group prize; a trip to the Jam Jar Cinema to watch a mystery U certificate film on Monday 1st April. Many thanks to the PTA for funding this trip! Over 17000 credits were given out this term! What a lot of good deeds and work!!

Daily Mile and Junior Parkrun

Take your marks again!

We will be participating in the Local Authority Daily Mile Initiative on Thursday 25th April. We will kick the day off at 8.50 with our amazing Y4 skippers showing you a routine on the yard! During the show day, pupils will run a Mile Run on our playground track.

An early invite to join us at Whitley Bay Junior Parkrun on 30/6/19. We will provide more details nearer the time. For the last two years, our involvement has broken the record for the number of participants at this event so we hope to do the same again.

Thanks Mrs Proctor

Mrs. Proctor has decided to step down as the Out of School Club Manager at the end of the Easter term. Mrs. Proctor joined Marine Park First School in 2002, as a playworker, and in 2006 became the manager of the Out of School Club. She has overseen lots of changes during this time; she has developed and expanded the club into the popular, successful and happy place it is today. School leaders are both indebted and extremely grateful to Mrs. Proctor for leading and managing the Out of School Club; I am sure you feel the same and would join me in wishing Mrs. Proctor well for the future.

Fortunately, Mrs. Proctor will continue to work in the Out of School Club as a playworker; she will work predominantly in the breakfast club. We are very pleased to retain her experience, knowledge and expertise. Further to this, we have appointed Mrs. Hancock as the new Out of School Club Manager. Mrs. Hancock will work closely with Mrs. Proctor, Mrs. Brooks (Deputy Manager) and Mrs. Nicholson (Deputy Head) so I am certain there will be a smooth transition to the new arrangements and that the Out of School Club will continue to develop and provide excellent care and experiences for children and their families.

Happy Easter Holidays

School breaks up for Easter at normal time on Thursday 4th of April 2019. School is closed for pupils on Friday 5th April and, due to the Easter Bank Holiday on Monday 22nd of April, reopens for the summer term on Tuesday 23rd of April 2019. Have a wonderful Easter break.



Forthcoming Events

- ☉ 1/4/19 3 North Class Assembly 9.10 a.m.
- ☉ 1/4/19 Family Group Prize- Jam Jar Cinema Mystery U VIP Screening
- ☉ 3/4/19 1 South Class Assembly 9.10 a.m.
- ☉ 4/4/19 (Thursday) Pupils break up for the Easter holidays
- ☉ 5/4/19 (Friday) Training Day- School Closed for Pupils
- ☉ 16/4/19 [National Offer Day- Reception Places 2019-20](#)
- ☉ 23/4/19 (Tuesday) Pupils return to school
- ☉ 25/4/19 Daily Mile @ Marine Park
- ☉ 26/4/19 Y1-4 Marine Park Spellathon
- ☉ 1/5/19 Reception East Class Assembly 9.10 a.m.
- ☉ 2/5/19 3 South Class Assembly 9.10 a.m.
- ☉ 6/5/19 May Bank Holiday
- ☉ 8/5/19 Reception South Class Assembly 9.10 a.m.
- ☉ 15/5/19 Reception North Class Assembly 9.10 a.m.
- ☉ 22/5/19 Nursery Class Assembly 10.30 a.m. or 2.30 p.m.
- ☉ 24/5/19 Pupils break up for the half term holidays
- ☉ 3/6/19 Pupils return to school
- ☉ 30/6/19 Junior parkrun takeover- more details to follow
- ☉ 6/7/19 PTA Summer Fayre

North Tyneside Writing Competition Award Winners

We are proud to inform you that two Marine Park pupils were commended and received awards in this year's North Tyneside Writing Competition. You can read the winning entries by [clicking here](#) or following the link in the gallery of the website.

2019 NT Writing Competition winning entries

Rose Glassbrook – KS2 Poetry 1st Place

James Hunt – KS2 Poetry Highly Commended

Head Boy and Girl Elections 2019

This week, we will send out a Head Boy/Girl invitation/application form to our Year 3 pupils. The closing date for entries is Wednesday 24th April.