



# Marine Park First School Newsletter

## "Out of this World" Whitley Bay Carnival

Friday 24th May will see Whitley Bay begin three days of carnival glory. Children in Years 3 and 4, along with their families, will be making 'Out of this World' costumes ready for the big day.

The 'Out of this World' Carnival parade is on Saturday 25th May starting at Whitley Bay Metro at 11 a.m. and processing through the town to the sea front site by 12.

Please come along on the day and support Marine Park and the carnival.

Check out the website for information on the Carnival Ball and other exciting events.

[www.whitleybayscarnival.co.uk](http://www.whitleybayscarnival.co.uk)

Thank you to Mrs Campbell and Mrs Maier for coordinating Marine Park's involvement in the carnival.

## The Future of Paper Newsletters Decided

Many thanks to parents/carers that replied to the survey where we asked you if you support our proposal to stop sending out paper newsletters.

We had 138 replies. 3:1 (75%) were in favour of stopping sending out paper newsletters so this proposal has been actioned.

Instead of paper newsletters, we will send a text message link to the latest newsletter which is published (along with all previous newsletters) on the school website. We will also keep a limited number of paper copies of the latest newsletter at the main entrance and continue to replace the newsletter in the noticeboard in the yard.

## Music and Song Concerts

A reminder that parents/carers of pupils that have violin, recorder or clarinet lessons or sing in the choir are invited to attend one of two Music and Song Celebrations on Thursday 16th May at 6.15 p.m.-7.15 p.m. or Friday 17th May at 9.10 a.m.-10.10 a.m. Demand is often high for tickets (especially the evening event). Don't forget to bring your ticket with you and we hope you enjoy the concert!

## Super Skippers

You may recall watching (hopefully in awe) our amazing Y4 skippers perform before school during our "Daily Mile." Recently, they attended the Skipping Competition Finals where all of the heat winners competed. I am proud to inform you that the Marine Park pupils came in 1st place overall (the third year in a row this has been the case). Well done to the Year 4 pupils and thanks to Mr Harrison for training the pupils.

## Parental Questionnaire 2019

You will remember that we asked all parents/carers to complete a parental questionnaire when they came to the February Parents Evening. The Local Authority collected and collated the forms and we have been given the results (see attached).

We were pleased that the response rate was much higher from Marine Park parents/carers than the Local Authority and OFSTED Parent View average. The Marine Park First School response rate increased considerably this year so thank you for taking the time to complete the questionnaires.

We were also very pleased to note the high % of parents/carers that strongly agreed with the statements. This is consistently higher than the Local Authority and OFSTED Parent View totals. Further to this, it was extremely satisfying to note the very low number that disagreed to statements which are central to our ambition for children to make good progress, to be happy, safe, well looked after and taught and for parents/carer to feel they receive valuable information about their child's progress.

As is now the case every year, results for "This school deals effectively with bullying" and "The school responds well to any concerns I raise," were much more aligned with all schools in the Local Authority because a high number of parents/carers respond that they "Don't Know". This might suggest that parents have not had any need to raise a concern or no experience of bullying and that bullying is not prevalent. We have included a percentage figure in brackets where we have removed "Don't Know" from the figures. However, in response to this, it may be useful for you to know that the school has an anti-bullying policy which you can download from the Parentzone of the school website. The number of incidents of bullying are typically very low because pupils are overwhelmingly considerate towards one another. Incidents are always logged as are actions taken to ensure that patterns of bullying reduce. We conduct regular pupil discussions where we talk about welfare and bullying and pupils learn about bullying including cyber bullying and prejudice during assemblies, PHSE and family group sessions.

A summary of the questionnaire results is also available to view in the "Your Say" section of the website. We plan to include a summary of the written submissions we received and, where appropriate, a response from the school when Governors have reviewed these submissions at their next meeting.

## Forthcoming Events

- ☉ 15/5/19 Reception North Class Assembly 9.10 a.m.
- ☉ 16/5/19 Music and Song Concert 6.15 p.m. – 7.15 p.m.
- ☉ 17/5/19 Music and Song Concert 9.10 a.m.-10.10 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
- ☉ 25/5/19 Out of this World Whitley Bay Carnival Parade 11 a.m.-12
- ☉ 3/6/19 Pupils return to school
- ☉ 12/6/19 Reception 2019-20 Information Tour @ 6 p.m. Meeting starts @ 7 p.m.
- ☉ 19/6/19 Nursery 2019-20 Information Tour @ 6 p.m. Meeting starts @ 7 p.m.
- ☉ 24/6/19 Y2 Sports Morning 9.30 a.m.
- ☉ 24/6/19 Y1 Sports Afternoon 1.30 p.m.
- ☉ 25/6/19 Y3 and Y4 Sports Afternoon @ Churchill Playing Fields 1.30 p.m.
- ☉ 26/6/19 Nursery Sports Morning 10.45 a.m.
- ☉ 26/6/19 Nursery Sports Afternoon 2.30 p.m.
- ☉ 27/6/19 Reception Sports Morning 9.30 a.m.
- ☉ 28/6/19 Report go out to parents/carers
- ☉ 30/6/19 Junior parkrun takeover - more details to follow
- ☉ 1/7/19 Year 3 2019-20 (Year 2 now) Parent/carer Information Meeting 2.30 p.m. then Year 2 bring up books
- ☉ 2/7/19 & 3/7/19 Y4 (current) Move-up days
- ☉ 2/7/19 Year 4 2019-20 (Year 3 now) Parent/carer Information Meeting 2.30 p.m. then Year 3 bring up books
- ☉ 3/7/19 Move up morning R-Y3
- ☉ 3/7/19 Year 1 2019-20 (Reception now) Parent/carer Information Meeting 2.30 p.m. then Reception bring up books
- ☉ 4/7/19 Year 2 2019-20 (Year 1 now) Parent/carer Information Meeting 2.30 p.m. then Year 1 bring up books
- ☉ 6/7/19 PTA Summer Fayre

## Happy Half Term Holidays!

**Pupils break up for half term on Friday 24th of May; the school opens for pupils on Monday the 3rd of June 2019.**

Have a wonderful holiday!



# Parent and Carer Questionnaire Summary Spring 2019

		Strongly agree		Agree		Disagree		Strongly disagree		Don't know	Not applicable or no answer	Strongly agree/agree combined	Strongly disagree/disagree combined			
1	My child is happy at this school	Marine Park First	200	78%	51	20%	3	1%	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%	98%	1%
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	451	71%	169	27%	8	1%	2	0%	2	0%	1	0%	98%	2%
2	My child feels safe at this school	Marine Park First	211	83%	41	16%	1	0%	1	0%	1	0%	0	0%	92%	8%
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	454	72%	167	26%	6	1%	2	0%	2	0%	2	0%	98%	1%
3	My child makes good progress at this school	Marine Park First	189	74%	64	25%	1	0%	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%	99%	1%
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	425	68%	193	31%	6	1%	2	0%	2	0%	5	1%	98%	1%
4	My child is well looked after at this school	Marine Park First	216	85%	37	15%	1	0%	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%	99%	1%
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	452	72%	163	26%	10	2%	2	0%	4	1%	2	0%	97%	2%
5	My child is well taught at this school	Marine Park First	217	85%	37	15%	0	0%	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%	100%	0%
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	443	71%	172	27%	7	1%	1	0%	5	1%	5	1%	97%	1%
6	My child receives appropriate homework for their age	Marine Park First	161	63%	75	29%	7	3%	4	2%	5	2%	3	1%	93%	4%
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	354	57%	226	36%	21	3%	6	1%	13	2%	13	2%	92%	4%
7	The school makes sure its pupils are well behaved	Marine Park First	180	71%	70	27%	1	0%	1	0%	1	0%	2	1%	98%	1%
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	359	57%	221	35%	16	3%	12	2%	20	3%	5	1%	92%	4%
8	This school deals effectively with bullying (% in brackets when "Don't know" removed from figures)	Marine Park First	107	42% (62%)	54	21% (31%)	5	2% (3%)	1	0% (1%)	83	33%	5	2%	63% (95%)	2% (3%)
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	265	42% (55%)	172	27% (36%)	28	4% (6%)	9	1% (2%)	152	24%	7	0%	70% (91%)	6% (8%)
9	The school is well led and managed	Marine Park First	186	73%	65	25%	0	0%	1	0%	3	1%	0	0%	98%	0%
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	391	62%	204	33%	11	2%	7	1%	13	2%	7	1%	94%	3%
10	The school responds well to any concerns I raise (% in brackets when "Don't know" removed from figures)	Marine Park First	164	64% (69%)	69	27% (29%)	0	0% (0%)	1	0% (0%)	16	6%	5	2%	91% (97%)	0% (0%)
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	378	60% (64%)	178	28% (30%)	23	4% (4%)	9	1% (2%)	38	6%	7	1%	88% (93%)	3% (5%)
11	I receive valuable information from school about my child's progress	Marine Park First	176	69%	75	29%	1	0%	1	0%	1	0%	1	0%	80%	15%
		Other North Tyneside Schools National Parent View	374	60%	220	35%	16	3%	9	1%	6	1%	8	1%	94%	4%
			47%	Yes	37%	10%	4%			1%	0%			84%	15%	
				No												
12	Would you recommend this school to another parent	Marine Park First		99%		0%								1%		
		North Tyneside Total National Parent View		95%		3%									2%	
				86%		14%										

Marine Park: 255 (49% return) so 1 respondent = approx 0.4%

North Tyneside: 888 (32% return) less MPFS 255 = 633 respondents so 1 respondent= approx 0.16% (10 Schools took part)

National Parent View: 369,032 submissions made to OFSTED Parent View Website between 8/1/18-7/1/19 (4.5% response rate)

Number of Respondents