

Marfields Newsletter

7th October, 2022

SCHOOL DRIVEWAY

Please note that the school driveway is not a thoroughfare. Please use the walking gate entrances further up Waggs Road and from The Westlands to access the playground.

We would also like to remind parents that the Car Park is for staff only. Please do not use the Car Park when bringing your child to school, use the side streets or West Street Car Park.

PARKING

When parking, consider the neighbours, are they able to access their driveways? Are you inconveniencing them? We all need to get on and be kind to each other. Consider these questions when you park up.

SOWING TO SUPPORT THE HARVEST FOR 2023

Autumn can be a busy and costly time with all the various celebrations. With this in mind, we are celebrating Harvest Festival in a unique way this year. We are turning the tables!

Instead of asking you to bring in items, we will be sending your child home with an item.

We hope you will join in with our theme this year - **'Sowing the Harvest'**.

We will be joining together to celebrate the meaning of Harvest Festival and how once a year in the autumn we celebrate farmers bringing in their crops. They harvest the crops that they have sown during the year and tended to, to give the best results.

This year to celebrate we will be asking the eldest child of each family to bring home a wildflower seed ball. As a family we ask that you all work together to find a place to plant this. You will then be joining with our community knowing that during the next year all our seed ball wherever they have been placed will grow and support farmers to produce our food from the land.

You may be asking



Where do we plant this?

Plant anywhere you enjoy, your garden, a member of the families garden, a plant pot, the local park, on one of the walks you may enjoy together – basically, anywhere!

Please take a photo of your child(ren) doing this and e-mail it to Mrs Yoxall telling us where you have sown the seeds. E-mail to: admin@marfields.cheshire.sch.uk She will then add to next weeks' newsletter to share with everyone.

We hope that by turning the tables and celebrating Harvest this way we are not asking you as families to constantly send things into us - giving back to you for your constant support to us on events during the year.

We love the environment and need learn to both appreciate and contribute to it's well-being. Some of the sourced wildflower seed bombs will be planted in school by the

classes after our Harvest Festival assembly next week.

We look forward to you sending us your photos where we can see that we have spread our love of the natural world beyond our school building.

NATIONAL TEACHERS DAY

National Teachers Day was on Wednesday of this week.

The theme for World Teachers' Day 2022 was **"The transformation of education begins with teachers"**.

This is a day to celebrate the transformative and critical role that teachers play in growing learners' potential. To help our staff feel appreciated we gave them all a Chocolate Orange – which was gratefully received and swiftly demolished by all! Happy staff, happy children.

FREE SCHOOL MEALS

The criteria for claiming Free School Meals has changed, making it available to more families.

Claiming for FSM means your child gets a free hot meal each day.

You should also apply for them even though your child is already in receipt of the Universal Infant Free School Meal as it also brings extra funding into school to better support your child whilst at school.

To check if you may now be able to claim FSM, please contact **Cheshire East Council** on **0300 123 5012**.

FOOTBALL REPORT



Yesterday (Thursday) was the turn of the Boys Football Team to play a series of matches against other Congleton schools. The boys played three fantastic games, winning two of them. Well done boys we are all extremely proud of you all, thank you for representing Marlfields with such excellent sportsmanship.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

We are sure that you will join with us in wishing Mr Rowe a very **HAPPY BIRTHDAY**.

This week he celebrated a very special milestone birthday.

He even remembered his twin brother's birthday too!



NATIONAL POETRY DAY

Thursday was National Poetry Day. The theme this year was about The Environment. The children were asked to write a poem about what they would change or praise about the environment.

Here is a poem by **Elliot Rosson** in **Year 3** on this subject.

TREE

*In Springtime, I wake and listen,
My amber crystal eyes see the birds nesting
in my arms,
I watch weddings cheer under my blossom.*

*In Summer, I hear the cockrel squark in the
morning sunshine.*

*I look at the cattle basking in the green,
flowering fields.*

I breath in the mossy, juicy breeze.

*In Autumn, I watch my golden leaves fly
around in the air.*

*I hear the sparrows chirping in the cold,
crisp breeze.*

*I see the frost grasp over my crunchy,
crispy leaves.*

*I watch the children Trick or Treat and light
the street with Jack O'Lanterns.*

*In Winter I see children making snowmen.
I listen to the robins tweeting in the snowy,
icy air.*

*I hear the bells chiming and giving presents
and climbing through chimneys, as the
children sleep in their beds.*

WOW! Superb poem Elliot. Well done