



# Maryport Church of England Primary School

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## **Newsletter 24<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

*Congratulations to the following children who have all excelled in class recently:*

*– Well done everyone!*

### **Return to school following lockdown**

The period of lockdown has been a very strange and anxious time for everyone. The Government's decision to reopen schools for limited groups of children with social distancing measure in place has been difficult to manage but on Monday we will be open for 9 'bubbles' which cater for children of critical workers, children with EHCPs and pupils from Years 6, 1 and Reception whose parents have chosen to have their child return.

The social distancing restriction, despite having been relaxed outdoors and within homes, are still in place in schools and therefore we still cannot open fully to the rest of the school. **As from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June we do not have the capacity to take in any more children** as all of our 'bubbles' are full and we have no more staff to create new ones. Everyone who has a place from Monday has been notified via email and should follow the instructions on there with regards to start and finish times.

I appreciate that this will be disappointing for some parents but I can assure you that staff will continue to set work each week which can be accessed via the website, Tapestry or Seesaw. If you need any more exercise books to use at home, these are available just inside the main entrance for collection. The latest Government announcements have said that all children should be able to return to school in September. Details of how this will work will be sent out at a later date.

### **End of Year Reports**

End of year reports will be available for collection during the week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> July. Each class will be text a day and time slot where they can come up and collect their report. We will of course put sibling reports together to save you coming up multiple times. If you then wish to discuss your child's report, you may contact your child's teacher via Seesaw or Tapestry and arrange a telephone call.

We would also ask that if you have any school reading books at home, these are brought up on this day – a box will be available to leave the books in. Thank you.

### **Class Teachers for next year**

Nursery – Miss Harrison

Reception – Mrs Brinicombe

Reception/Year 1 – Mrs Moore

Year 1 – Mrs Brown

Year 2 – Mrs Holliday

Year 3 – Mr Ward

Year 4 – Miss Huddart

Year 5 – Mrs Hurst and Mr Stockdale

Year 6 – Miss Dover

Miss Lockwood will continue to cover some classes 2 days per week.

We also welcome Mrs McCallig who is taking on the role as our Little Acorns 2 year old provision lead. Mrs McCallig is joining us having previously worked at Barnardos and a number of nurseries in the area.

We are also very sorry to say goodbye to Mrs Pape and Mrs Glover and wish them all the best in the future. Miss Pape will shortly be going on maternity leave and will return later in the year.

### **School meals**

Unfortunately, our meal provider has informed us that the cost of meals is increasing from September. The new cost will be £1.55 per nursery meal (£7.75 per week) and £2.40 for all other meals (£12 per week).

All meals should be pre-ordered via Lunchshop and can be ordered up to 2 weeks in advance.

For pupils currently in Year 2, the universal free school meal grant does not continue into year 3 and beyond. If you think you may be entitled to income related free meals, then please visit <https://cumbria.gov.uk/childrensservices/schoolsandlearning/freeschoolmeals.asp> to apply. Those in receipt of income related free school meals also get free breakfast club and the cost of trips subsidised.

### **Cashless System**

From September we will be operating a cashless payment system. This was trialled in the Spring term by a few classes and worked very well using Lunchshop to make payments for trips etc. It is therefore important that everyone has their Lunchshop account working. All new pupils will have account details sent out to them prior to the Autumn term starting and anyone who cannot access their account will need to contact the office at the start of the new term. Please do not contact the office before summer for this.

### **Year 6 leavers**

It is very disappointing that we cannot do all the usual events that normally happen for our Year 6 children before they go off to secondary school. Mrs Hurst and Miss Dover are however making the best of a difficult situation and are planning some smaller scale events. Please look out for details of these on Seesaw.

### **Little Acorns 2 year olds**

We currently still have a limited number of places available in our 2 year old provision which runs every afternoon. If you have, or know someone who has, a child turning 2 soon, please contact Mrs Penn on [admin@maryport.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:admin@maryport.cumbria.sch.uk) for further details. Applications are also being taken for starts throughout the year.

### **Nursery places**

We are also now accepting applications for places in our Nursery for January and April 2021. Again, please contact Mrs Penn for details of how to register your interest.