



## APRIL / MAY 2026 MARYPORT CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

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*Unbelievably, we are now into our 3rd and final term of the school year. Summer term is always a very busy one; the children are consolidating their learning across all subjects, there are formal assessments to be carried out, residentials to attend and our Y6 children will be preparing for the transition to secondary school.*

*Please keep an eye out on Facebook and Seesaw (Tapestry for EYFS) for updates on the many events happening.*

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## **New Staff**

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*We are delighted to welcome two new members of staff to our school family. Firstly, Mr Brian Telford is our new site supervisor. You may have seen him around before Easter working alongside Mr Ross to get to know the building. Mr Telford is very local to the school and has already made a great start to the job.*

*Secondly, we welcome Miss Olivia Patrikios to our teaching staff. Miss Patrikios is a former pupil who was inspired to go into teaching as a career from her days here and at Netherhall. Since qualifying as a teacher, Miss Patrikios has been teaching in London but has made the move back to sunny Maryport where we know she will be a fantastic addition to our team.*

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## **RESIDENTIAL VISITS**

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*Our residential visits for this year are as follows -*

<i>Y3 group 1 to Hawesend - 12-14 May</i>	<b>Meeting for parents to be held on 29/4/26 at 5.30</b>
<i>Y5 to York - 1-3 June</i>	<b>Meeting for parents to be held on 20/5/26 at 5.30</b>
<i>Y3 group 2 to Hawesend - 3-5 June</i>	<b>Meeting for parents to be held on 29/4/26 at 5.30</b>
<i>Y4 to Keppleway - 15-17 June</i>	<b>Meeting for parents to be held on 3/6/26 at 5.30</b>
<i>Y6 to London - 16-19 June</i>	<b>Meeting for parents to be held on 1/6/26 at 5.30</b>
<i>Y2 to Bassenfell - 2-3 July</i>	<b>Meeting for parents to be held on 10/6/26 at 5.30</b>

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## PLANNING AHEAD FOR Y6

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*As already mentioned, later in the term our Y6 children will be getting ready to move to secondary school. As part of this process, we have a number of transition days arranged with Netherhall where either the children will go down there or staff will come to visit us. Details of these days will be posted on Seesaw nearer the time.*

*Once SATs are out of the way and the London residential has happened, we will begin rehearsals for the Y6 end of year production. The date for this will be Tuesday 14th July. with performances in the afternoon and the evening - put the date in your diary!*

*Our Y6 Leavers' service at St Mary's Church will take place on Thursday 16th July at 9.45am. It would be lovely to see as many Y6 family members joining us as possible if you are able.*

*Finally, Mrs Penn will be in touch soon about ordering leavers' hoodies so look out for communication about that.*

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## OPAL

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*If, like me, you took advantage of the Easter break to do a bit of clearing out, it may be that you have things which would be great for our OPAL sessions. The OPAL team are currently looking for dolls and prams as well as any garden furniture - deckchairs etc.*

*If you have anything you think we could use, please drop it off at school or contact Mrs Bell.*

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## **Reading at home - STRIVE FOR FIVE !!**

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*The importance of reading and sharing books at home is well documented and the benefits go far beyond just being able to read the words on a page.*

*Our 'strive for five' initiative does not have to be a chore - 5-10 minutes a day sharing a book after tea, in the car, at bedtime or even waiting for an appointment can easily be fitted in to even the busiest of lifestyles.*

*Could we also politely ask that everyone check at home for any reading books which may not have been returned. Summer is our time to do a stock check and then order any additional books that may be needed.*

*Thank you.*

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## **Toys in school**

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*Please could all parents be reminded that children should not be bringing toys to school as these can get lost or broken and can often lead to fall outs or disruption in lessons.*

*Thank you.*

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## **CARS ON THE DRIVE**

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*For the safety of our children - please can all parents and carers not use the school driveway for drop off or pick up - at any time of the day and whatever the weather. Only those who have got permission from Mrs Ormond may use the drive.*

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## DIARY DATES

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*20 April - Y5/6 aerodynamics workshop*

*23 April - Y1 visit to the library*

*24 April - official opening of Little Acorns room*

*-Y2 visit to the library*

*28 April - silly Science workshops*

*29 April - Y3/4 tennis competition*

*30 April - Book bus visit*

*5 May - Y1 toys and games workshop*

*6 May - Y5/6 netball competition*

*11- 14 May - Y6 SATs*

*12 May - Y3 Hawse End group 1*

*13 May - Y3/4 hockey competition*

*18 May - Y1 visit to Stockswood*

*19 May - Y2 visit to Stockswood*

*20 May - cross country competition*

*25-29 May - half term*

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