



Marish Academy Trust Newsletter

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Head teachers' letter

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have had an enjoyable summer break and would like to welcome you all back to another exciting academic year at Marish Academy Trust. For those families who are joining us for the first time, we warmly welcome you to our Trust and look forward to working with you in what we hope to be a 'normal' year.

After the sad news yesterday, we are united in grief as we mourn the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Despite the personal and national challenges that she faced during her 70 year reign, Queen Elizabeth was resilient and ruled with grace, dignity and faith. She was a great role model who worked until the end, devoted to her duty, her country and her people.

So, let's focus on the great example the Queen showed in her long life of service and be grateful for the many blessings we have even during this difficult time. If you find yourself needing support in any way, no matter how small, please do not hesitate to ask us for help. At Marish Academy Trust, we pride ourselves on doing whatever it takes to support our families.



Over the next few weeks, all parents will have the opportunity to meet their child's class teacher at our Meet the Teacher events. These will be able to take place 'face to face' again and you will receive more information about this soon.

As well as this, you will also find reminders about school start times, uniform and PE kit, ParentPay, clubs and attendance in this newsletter. Members of SLT are on the gates in the mornings and afternoons should you have any other queries.

Thank you as always for your cooperation and continued support. We look forward to strengthening our partnership into 2023 by working together for our children and our community in the hope that a better future is just around the corner.

Miss Court and Mrs Denham

Back to School





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Parent Notices

→ Timings of the school day

Soft start is from 8am for all year groups.

Resource Base: same times as this year

Nursery: 8.00 – 11.00am and 12.00 – 3.00pm

Reception: 8.30am – 2.45pm

Year 1 and Year 2: 8.20am – 2.50pm

Year 3 and Year 4: 8.20am – 2.55pm

Year 5 and Year 6: 8.20am – 3pm



→ School Grounds



Please do not bring bikes or scooters of any kind onto the school grounds at any time. Dogs are not allowed on site.



→ Water Bottles



Children should bring in a water bottle every day, with their name clearly labelled on the bottle.

→ No Peanuts

Please do not bring peanuts of any kind into school, we are a nut free school.



Parent Notices

➡ School Uniform

Our Trust school uniform consists of:

- Red/Green sweatshirt or cardigan (Red for Marish and Green for Willow)



- Navy blue trousers, shorts or skirt
- White shirt or polo shirt
- Black smart shoes (no boots, high heels or platforms)
- Nursery – the above with grey or black jogging bottoms
- PE Kit – red plain round neck T-shirt, black shorts or jogging bottoms
- A plain black tracksuit to wear over the PE kit for outdoor lessons in cold weather. Trainers/plimsolls will work for outside lessons
- Swimming is a part of the Year 4 curriculum and pupils are expected to have appropriate swim wear with a swimming hat

All items of clothing must be clearly labelled with the child's name.

The only jewellery allowed is one small stud in each ear, a watch and that which is a specific religious requirement. These must all be removed for PE.

The child must take full responsibility for looking after these items. the school will accept no responsibility for their loss or damage.

Autumn Clubs

Marish Autumn Term Clubs 2022-23

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning /After School Clubs £5 per child, per club	<p>Year 1&2 2:50pm - 3:55pm Dance Main Hall</p> <p>KS2 (INVITE ONLY) 3:00pm-4:00pm Sports Competitions Outside/Small Hall</p>	<p>Resource Base (INVITE ONLY) 3:00pm-4:00pm Social Skills RB1</p> <p>Year 6 3:00pm-4:00pm Math's Booster 6TW</p> <p>Year 5&6 3:00pm-4:00pm Spelling Bee 6M</p>	<p>KS2 7:30am-8:15am Boxercise Main Hall</p> <p>Year 1&2 2:45pm - 3:45pm Handwriting club 1B</p> <p>Year 3&4 2:55 pm - 3:55pm Astronomy Club 4N</p> <p>Year 5&6 3:00pm-4:00pm Debate Club 6M</p> <p>Year KS2 3:00 pm - 4:00pm Girl's Football Outside</p> <p>KS2 3:00pm-4:00pm Dance & Flexibility Main Hall</p> <p>Year 3 & 4 2:50pm - 3:55pm Makaton Spare 3/4 classroom</p> <p>Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 3:00-4:00 Judo (10 Weeks) £50 To book email mobertystars@gmail.com For more info visit http://mobertystars.com</p>	<p>Reception 2:45pm-3:45pm Art club RW</p> <p>Year 1 & 2 2:45-3:45 pm Multi skills (External coach) outside</p> <p>Year 3 & 4 2:55 pm - 3:45 pm Art Attack 2HO</p> <p>KS2 3:00 pm - 4:00pm Helping Hands Homework 6WT</p> <p>Resource Base (INVITE ONLY) 3:00pm-4:00pm Sensory Art club RB1</p> <p>Year 5 3:00pm-4:00pm Timetable Rockstar (INVITE ONLY) 5M</p> <p>Dance crew (INVITE ONLY) 3:00pm-4:00pm Dance Main Hall</p>	<p>KS2 Yoga and flexibility 7:30am-8:15am Main Hall</p> <p>KS2 3:00 pm - 4:00pm Outside Basketball (external coach)</p> <p>KS2 3:00 pm - 4:00pm Board games Spare 3/4 classroom</p>

Willow Autumn Term Clubs 2022-23

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Morning /After School Clubs £5 per child, per club	<p>KS2 Chess Clubs 7:30am-8:15am Back of main hall</p>	<p>KS2 Morning Fitness 7:30am-8:15am Back of main hall/Quad</p> <p>KS2 3:00 pm - 4:00pm Basketball (external coach) Outside</p> <p>Year 3&4 2:50 pm - 3:50 pm Jigsaw puzzles 3J</p>	<p>KS2 Chess Clubs 7:30am-8:15am Back of main hall</p> <p>Reception 2:45pm - 3:54 pm Drawing Club RJB</p> <p>Year 3&4 2:50 pm - 3:50 pm Fun Art 3J</p> <p>Year 5&6 3:00 pm - 4:00pm Boy's Football Outside</p> <p>Year 5&6 3:00 pm - 4:00pm Girl's Football (external coach) Outside</p>	<p>KS2 Morning Fitness 7:30am-8:15am Back of main hall/Quad</p> <p>Year 5&6 2:50 pm - 3:50 pm Quilling art 4G</p>	<p>KS2 Yoga and flexibility 7:30am-8:15am Back of main hall</p> <p>Year KS2 (INVITE ONLY) 3:00pm-4:00pm Sports Competitions Outside/Main Hall</p> <p>Year 5 & 6 (INVITE ONLY) 3:00pm-4:00pm Willow school band Music Room</p>

E-Safety

Although online safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold children and teenagers about online safety with their children, should they feel it necessary. This guidance is an advisory document and is not intended to be a substitute for professional advice. For further guidance, advice and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about GOOGLE CHROMEBOOK

Google Chromebooks were first introduced in 2011 as a budget-friendly alternative to Windows laptops. They have a cloud-based desktop operating system created by Google that performs internet-based tasks simply and quickly. Although primarily optimised for Google apps – such as Gmail and Google Drive – newer devices also support Android apps and offer a range of parental controls via the Google Family Link tool. Nonetheless, whilst these tools are comprehensive, there are some limitations which means there are a number of risks trusted adults should be aware of.

SETTING UP

SET UP FAMILY LINK

To do this, first boot the "Google Family Link" app onto your smartphone to set up an account for your child. If you're setting up a new account, it's important you follow the setup process and sign in with your parent account, as this has access to special privileges. Once this is done, you can add your child's account to use Chromebooks.

DISABLE GUEST MODE

If "Guest mode" or the ability to add new users is available, your child may be able to bypass the Chromebook's parental controls. To disable this, sign into the Chromebook with your parent account, head to "Settings > Manage other people" and turn on "Lock first sign-in to the following users" – from there, you'll be able to turn off the "Guest browsing" feature.

SET UP PARENTAL CONTROLS

In your child's account, head to "Settings > People > Parental controls set up" to begin the process. This will confirm the child's account you want to enable parental controls for and will list the devices that can be protected. You'll then be asked to enter the email and password, before being prompted to ask your child to confirm the supervision via their password.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

ONLINE, ALL THE TIME

As "internet-first" devices, Google Chromebooks are built to connect with only limited support for offline limits. This means your child has access to the internet at all times, with an ongoing risk of being exposed to online harm, particularly as Family Link is only able to block most inappropriate content. Even if your child isn't searching for inappropriate websites and information, there's always the chance that they might see something that could upset them.

ADDICTIVE NATURE

Like most technology, laptops are addictive in nature, and you might find your child spending too long staring at their Chromebook – particularly given its support for Android apps, such as games and social media platforms. This could lead to irritability, mood swings and a loss of interest in more important tasks.

BEWARE OF MALWARE

Although Google's Chrome OS features a number of built-in security measures, that doesn't fully eliminate the risk of malware, which can be distributed onto the machine via phishing emails or from downloading malware-laced content. This should be a particular concern if your child is taking their laptop into school, as the malware could find itself entering the school's network and infecting other people's laptops.

Advice for Parents & Carers

There are a number of safety features that you can enable to keep your child safe while using Google Chromebook:

1. Disable guest mode and control who can sign into your child's Chromebook
2. Restrict or block access to apps from the Chrome Web Store and the Google Play Store
3. Disable Incognito Mode so you can always check what sites your child has been on
4. Manage the websites your children can visit on Chrome
5. Limit your child's ability to grant permissions to websites
6. Check Family Link to ensure the Chrome browser default is set to block sexually explicit and violent sites from being shown to children
7. Set bedtime, screen-time limits, and lock devices when not in use

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