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Message from the Senior Leadership Team

Dear Parents & Carers,

As we approach the end of another summer term at Marish Academy Trust, we would like to share with you some of the many successes we have achieved this year.

Both schools have exceeded national averages in the phonics screening check, multiplication tables check and the KS2 SATs results. This is a testament to the hard work of children, staff



and parents. However school is much more than the sum of our results. This year, we have forged new partnerships within both communities around Marish and Willow hosting several successful events from coffee mornings to parent workshops, winter fayre, multicultural day and summer fete. Not only have these events raised funds for the schools, they have provided an opportunity for celebration and bonding within both communities.

Next year we look forward to welcoming the children back on Wednesday, 3rd September 2025. Please note that from 1st September, we will be reinforcing strict uniform expectations so make sure you check the uniform list included in this newsletter.

Your child cannot make the most of their opportunities at Marish Academy Trust unless they attend school regularly. The Department for Education is enforcing penalties including fines and other sanctions on parents whose children's attendance is below 90%. If you are contacted by either school to attend an attendance meeting, please engage and try to work with us to resolve the issue. After all, we both havre your child's best interests at heart.

In the meantime, thank you for your partnership with us this year and we wish you all a restful and refreshing summer break.

Warm regards,

Mrs Denham and Miss Court

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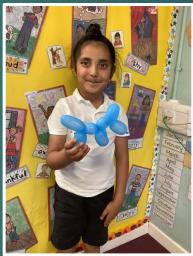
Nurture Activities











In Nurture, the children had a wonderful time making balloon dogs! It was a fun and engaging activity that everyone thoroughly enjoyed. A big thank you to Mrs Lesley for kindly providing the balloons!





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Reception Wellington Park Trip































The children in Reception enjoyed a wonderful trip to Wellington Country Park. The children had a delightful time exploring nature, enjoying the play areas, and spending quality time together outdoors. It was a fun-filled day packed with learning and adventure.

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Year 1 Iver Environment Centre Trip













The children in Year 1 had a wonderful time at Iver Nature Centre. They enjoyed exploring the natural environment, learning about plants and wildlife, and taking part in hands-on activities to deepen their understanding of plants. They were curious, enthusiastic, and beautifully represented our school with their excellent behaviour.

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Year 2 Bournemouth Trip













Year 2 visited Bournemouth seaside and had a wonderful time exploring the sea side, playing in the sand, and enjoying the fresh air. It was a memorable day filled with fun, laughter, and learning outside the classroom.

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Year 3 Hobbledown Heath Trip







Year 3 had an exciting trip to Hobbledown Heath, where they explored the adventure playgrounds and enjoyed time in nature. The day was full of energy, teamwork, and joyful memories.







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Year 5 Victorian Workshop





















Year 5 took part in an engaging Victorian workshop thev experienced where life what was like for children during the Victorian session brought The era. history to life and deepened their understanding through hands-on learning and role play.

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Year 6 Chessington Trip







Year 6 enjoyed an exciting trip to Chessington World of Adventures. The children had a fantastic time exploring the theme park, enjoying the rides, and celebrating the end of their primary school journey with friends and teachers.





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PGL













Year 6 had an incredible time at PGL Little Canada on the Isle of Wight! From thrilling high ropes courses to exciting team challenges, they created unforgettable memories and developed new skills in a stunning outdoor setting. The children showed great resilience, teamwork, and independence throughout the trip. The activities were full of fun and laughter, helping everyone bond and grow in confidence. It was a truly rewarding experience that they will remember for years.



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Summer Fete





















The Summer Fete at Marish was a huge success. Bringing families, staff and the local community together for an afternoon of fun and celebration. There were stalls, games and delicious treats – a wonderful way to mark the end of the school year.

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Willow Awards Night













Willow Primary School celebrated its Awards Night with pride and joy, recognising the achievements, progress, and efforts of our wonderful children. It was a heart warming evening shared with families and staff, celebrating hard work, growth, and success across the year.

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Marish Awards Night



















Marish hosted a special Awards Night to honour the dedication, progress, and accomplishments of our pupils. Families and staff came together for an inspiring evening, celebrating the children's efforts and successes throughout the year.

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Year 6 Production















Year 6 gave a brilliant performance of The Wizard of Oz, showcasing their talent, confidence, and teamwork. The production was filled with energy, colourful costumes, and impressive acting – a memorable way to end their primary school journey.

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Children's University Graduation





















Marish Academy Trust held the Children's University Graduation Ceremony, celebrating pupils who took part in a wide range of learning experiences beyond the classroom. It was a proud moment recognising their commitment, curiosity, and love for learning.

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Amazing Achievement



We are incredibly proud to share that our staff member, Mr Greenhalgh, recently played a key role in leading the Philippines national rugby union team to victory, becoming champions of Asia! His dedication, teamwork, and leadership on the international stage have been truly inspiring. Well done, Mr Greenhalgh!

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Friendship Bench









School Councillors have set up a Friendship Bench in the KS2 playground. The children are on duty three times a week at lunchtime with Ms Bird in order to support pupils who need a friend or want to make new friends. The councillors have a range of games and equipment to use and the bench area has become very popular.

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Kindness Ambassador School

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Marish School Councillors have worked really hard all year to carry out a Kindness Project. The children have promoted kindness in a variety of ways including workshops, assemblies, certificates as well as setting up the Friendship Bench in the playground. We have now received accreditation and will continue to work on the project next year.

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Art Competition

ARTIST OF THE TERM



Lubaina Himid

Lubaina Himid is a British artist who was born in Zanzibar,
Tanzania. Her work focuses on identity and black creativity. She won the Turner Prize in 2017 and is a Professor of Modern Art.
Lubaina's mother was a textile designer and African patterns often feature in her work.





Create Week is celebrated in 2025 from 1st – 7th July. It promotes the need of creativity for all human beings, especially in order to support mental wellbeing.









This is your chance to create your own painting or collage inspired by the work of Lubaina Himid!

You may like think about the idea of producing work based on a portrait, a scene or a pattern. The artwork will be judged and there will be prizes for each year group in September, so you have the whole summer holidays to create something really special!

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MFL-BRETON





Now let's learn a few phrases...

Demat: Hello (formal) Brav eo an amzer: Hello (informal)

Penaos eo ar bed ganit?:

How are you?

Dreist, trugarez dit: Fine,

thank you

Kenavo ar wech all: Goodbye Kenavo: Goodbye (informal)

Ya: Yes Nann: No

Trugarez: Thank you

Da netra: You're welcome

1 – unan 2 – daou 3 – tri

4 – pevar

5 – pemp **6** – c'hwec'h International Language of the Month – Breton.

Facts about Brittany:

- Brittany is a region in north-western France known for its beautiful beaches, unique Celtic culture, and delicious food, especially crêpes and seafood.
- Brittany boasts a craggy coastline, sandy beaches, and charming villages, perfect for enjoying the outdoors.
- It's also home to ancient landmarks like the Carnac stones and has a fun, adventurous spirit, making it a great place for families to explore.
- Brittany is one of the Celtic nations, with a distinct culture that reflects its history.
- About one-quarter of the population speaks Breton, a Celtic language.
- Brittany is sometimes called "Little Britain" or "Lesser Britain" because of its strong connection to the ancient Celtic peoples.
- Its specialities include crêpes (pancakes) and moules frites (mussels and chips).

Breton is a unique Celtic language spoken in Brittany, France, making it the only surviving Celtic language spoken on the European mainland. About 200,000 people still speak Breton, and it's written using the Latin alphabet, like English. Breton is part of the Celtic language family, which also includes Irish, and Scottish Gaelic.

Breton has its own special sounds and words that are different from French.

"Hello" in Breton: The word for "hello"

in Breton is "Demat".

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Healthy Lifestyle

Activities to keep fit at home

Exercise: Train Like Black Panther

Players: 2 or more

Where to play? Indoor or Outdoors

How to play



1. Choose 1 person to pretend to be Cruz Ramirez and one to be

Lightning McQueen.

- 2. Cruz Ramirez shouts out moves like sit-ups, lunges and running on the spot. Lightning does each move for a count of 20 seconds.
- 3. After the 20 seconds are up, shout out a new move keep going until you've done 10 moves.
- 4. Now swap and let Cruz become Lightning.





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Healthy Lifestyle

TASTY VEGETARIAN CHILLI RECIPE

Preparation time – 10 mins Cooking time - 30 mins Serves - 4

Ingredients

- · 2 teaspoons vegetable oil
- · 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- 1 red chilli, deseeded and finely chopped
- 300g vegetarian mince
- 1 tin red kidney beans, in water (420g)
- 1 tin chopped tomatoes (400g)
- 200g rice (easy-cook long grain brown rice, if possible)

Method:

- 1. Heat the vegetable oil in a large saucepan and add the onion. Fry gently for 2 to 3 minutes, then add the carrot, garlic, red chilli and peppers and fry for 2 to 3 more minutes, stirring often.
- 2. Add the frozen mince, beans, tomatoes, tomato purée and stock. Bring to the boil, then reduce the heat and simmer, partially covered, for 25 to 30 minutes. At the same time, put the rice on to cook in plenty of gently boiling water it will take 25 to 30 minutes.
- 3. Season the chilli with pepper, then serve in warm bowls with the cooked, drained rice.



This works brilliantly served over a jacket potato. Leftovers also go great heated up and added to a wrap with a spoonful of plain low-fat yoghurt and a small grating of lower-fat cheddar.

https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/tasty-vegetarian-chilli/



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Attendance

Marish

July 2025

Reception: 94.52%

Year 1: 91.13%

Year 2: 96.25%

Year 3: 94.30%

Year 4: 94.47%

Year 5: 93.59%

Year 6: 86.15%

Target: 96%

Willow

July 2025

Reception: 93.74%

Year 1: 93.73%

Year 2: 94.07%

Year 3: 96.27%

Year 4: 90.50%

Year 5: 95.17%

Year 6: 77.12%

Target: 96%



Last month's 100%
attendance
reward was a pack of
a biscuits!





Below 90% Serious Concern

Drastic effect on academic success

95- 90% Cause for Concern
Negatively affecting academic success

100%- 96% WELL DONE
Achieving full potential

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Parent Notices

Timings of the School Day from December

Soft start is from 8:15am to 8:30am for all year groups except Nursery.

SEN Unit: Doors open 8:15am to 8:45am and then at 3:00pm

Nursery: 8:00 – 11:00am and 12:00pm – 3:00pm

 Nursery full time (Marish)
 8:00am - 3:00pm

 Reception:
 8:30am - 3:15pm

 Year 1 and Year 2:
 8:30am - 3:15pm

 Year 3 and Year 4:
 8:30am - 3:25pm

 Year 5 and Year 6:
 8:30am - 3:25pm



Ensure that you drop your child off at the designated entrance. Do not leave them unsupervised on the school grounds.

Fees for Breakfast club and Meerkats

Meerkats	Before 4pm	After 4pm
	£2	£5
Breakfast Club	£1 per day	-
Late collection	£5 per 15 minutes	-

Full time only sessions, £2, parents still need to order and pay for school dinner in addition to this.

If you would like your child to attend Breakfast club or Meerkats you will need to apply for a space. For more information or an application form, enquire at the school office.

Please note, there is a different payment schedule for Pupil Premium/ Free School Meal pupils. Please contact the office before applying.

All pupils must be booked in advance otherwise they will not be allowed to attend. If your child attends Meerkats without a booking you will be charged the late fee.

Children must not attend Breakfast Club without a booking as numbers are limited. Please book a week in advance.

You are required to sign your child in to Breakfast Club and out of Meerkats each day.

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Parent Notices

Dear Parents/Carers,

We will be running a club during the Summer holidays for any children aged 5 and over. The Holiday Club will be open from Monday 21st July until Friday 8th August from 8.30am-3.45pm.

This club will run at Marish School.

The costs are:

£25.00 per day per child £35.00 per day for 2 children £45.00 per day for 3 children £55.00 per day for 4 children

Please provide your child with a packed lunch.

The numbers will be limited so please return the slip as soon as possible. It is important that the slip is returned with the days requested as we need to make sure that we have the correct staff to children ratio.

<u>Full payment must be paid on ParentPay by Monday 14th July and is non-refundable.</u>

The children will have lots of activities that they can participate in including cooking, art & craft, dance and fun sports.

If you have any questions, please ring the office number and ask for Mrs Beard.

Yours sincerely る Beard Sharon Beard Holiday Club Manager

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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.

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E-Safety

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MASKING DISTRESS OR HARM

NORMALISING RISKY BEHAVIOURS

GENERATIONAL MISCOMMUNICATION

SHIELDING BULLYING

RAPIDLY SHIFTING MEANINGS

Advice for Parents & Educators

LEARN THE LINGO

SLAYING

ASK, DON'T ASSUME

CREATE SAFE SPACES FOR DISCUSSION

PRIORITISE TRUST OVER SURVEILLANCE

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FREE online talk



Supporting Healthy Screen Use

Screens are here to stay. What are the potential harms and how can we reduce them?

To book your place go to the **PARENTS** page (facefamilyadvice.co.uk)



or drop the paper copy into any of the Family Hubs.

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