



Friday 1st July 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a real privilege to join your school this week. You can be rightly proud of your children – they have demonstrated pride in the school and their work and have been happy to talk about their learning and share their thoughts.

I have been incredibly impressed with all the staff team here, my tour of the building and grounds with the site manager and business manager evidenced how much care and thought they have put into getting the best learning environment for your children, with some new improvements over the summer for the EYFS years to enjoy and some exciting new change for the whole community to benefit from.

Pupils at Oak Meadow are respectful and polite. I have seen doors being held open, happy “hello’s”, smiles and some great examples of pupils looking after each other and being very emotionally aware.

Your school community is a wonderful place to be and I thank everyone for giving me such a lovely welcome. I hope Mrs Hill has had as good an experience at The Marches as I have here.

Thank you
Alison Pearson Headteacher of The Marches School



July 2022

Monday 4th July	EYFS Sports day starting at 1pm
Monday 4th July– Wednesday 6th July	Scholastic Book Fair in School
Monday 4th July	Annual Pupil reports out
Tuesday 5th July	Year 3 Choral Day
Wednesday 6th July	KS2 Sports day starting at 12pm
Wednesday 6th July	Area Athletics 4pm London Road
Thursday 7th July	KS1 Sports day starting at 1pm
Friday 8th July	Seaside Day Year 1
Tuesday 12th July	Year 6 Leavers Breakfast
Tuesday 12th July– Tuesday 26th July	Move up fortnight
Wednesday 13th July	Year 6 Pioneer Trip
Wednesday 13th July	New Nursery Starters welcome meeting
Friday 15th July	Year 6 return from Pioneer Trip
Monday 18th July– Thursday 21st July	Year 6 Bikeability
Tuesday 19th July	Beautiful Bake Sale– 50p
Wednesday 20th July	Year 6 Leavers party
Friday 22nd July	Year 6 Leavers performance 2pm
Tuesday 26th July	Last day of term

REMINDER & NOTICES

- Please can we ask for donations of child coat hangers for our EYFS dressing up costumes. Please can these be dropped off at the school reception. Thank you, Mrs Griffiths.
- Reminder- KS2 children will need to be provided with a packed lunch on Wednesday 6th July for Sports day. If they are FSM a packed lunch will be provided from School.
- Scholastic Book Fair will be in school Monday 4th July- Wednesday 6th July. Please can parents enter via door A from 3.15pm.
- Please can we ask that children don't use the gym equipment or wooden climbing frame before or after school. Thank you.
- KS1 and KS2 Boys Shorts and Trousers from Second hand uniform will be on sale Monday 4th July from 2.45pm on the Playground.

Safer Schools

In 2016, our school was accredited a *Safer School*. This is a school security initiative created by West Mercia Police and supported by Shropshire Council. It includes the following.

1. Forming a *Safer School* group representing the school.
2. Implementing basic security measures applicable at all schools i.e. property marking, and visitor passes.
3. A pro-active approach to security/safety measures for the site/building and/or protecting assets.
4. Establishing a procedure for surveying perceived issues i.e. an unauthorised thoroughfare or, recording incidents i.e. anti-social behaviour, vandalism. Any recorded information is then analysed, and appropriate measures implemented.
5. If there are any projects to be undertaken, they are prioritised. Following the implementation of a project, its success is monitored.
6. PSHE or education of pupils as per the *Safer School* pack.

As part of the process, the school would appreciate your views. Please could you forward any views/concerns, including any positive observations, via the Microsoft Form link below by Friday 8th July 2022 so they may be considered at a Safer School meeting.

Microsoft Form Link:

<https://forms.office.com/r/pibNi5T57s>



Exotic Zoo visit:

On Friday 24th June, Years 2 and 4 were delighted to be joined by Telford Exotic Zoo last Friday. We met a variety of animals including Coral the Snake and Claire the Cockroach! It was fantastic to put our scientific knowledge to the test and we were able to ask Simon lots of interesting questions about the animals.

