



# Marldon CofE (VA) Primary School

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## September 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very warm welcome back to the new school year especially to all our new families. We hope that everyone had a restful and enjoyable summer break. It is great to see the children back in school and so happy and ready to learn. As we start another year, I thought I would just remind you of a few things, let you know of some of the opportunities we will be offering this year and give you some key dates for the coming term.

### Staff:

We are very pleased to have Mrs. James and Mrs. Whittle join our staff this year and both are already settling into our school community well.

### Parent drop ins:

Attached to this newsletter is your child's class welcome letter. This includes all the important information you will need to know about your child's new class. We will also be holding an open evening on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September from 3.30-4.30 pm, which will be an opportunity to meet with your child's new class teacher and ask any questions you may have. Curriculum overviews, which will outline the areas of learning your child will be focusing on this term, will also be sent home at the start of next week.

### Exciting News:

Mrs North and her family are really pleased to share with you the news that Ada Mirri arrived on Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> September. Both Mum and Daughter are doing well and are looking forward to popping into school in the near future.

### Rights Respecting School:

As you will have read in Miss Cudlip's information sheet, Marldon Primary School is aiming to be a school where children's rights are at the heart of our ethos and culture, to improve well-being and to develop every child's talents and abilities to their full potential. As part of this plan we are working towards recognition as a 'Rights Respecting School', an award given to schools on behalf of Unicef UK.

If you require any further information about this or have any questions please don't hesitate to ask us.

### Clubs:

Please look out on Monday for our school clubs signup sheet. All teacher led clubs will start the week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> of September and will run until the week beginning 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Information about Achieve for All sports clubs, Performing Arts Club and Dance club have already been shared but if you require any further information please contact the school office.

### Application for a secondary School Place:

Applications for Secondary School Places For children in Year 6, please remember that applications for a place at secondary schools need to be submitted by 31st October 2019. To do this, you need to apply online at [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline) to ensure that your child gets their place.

### Music Lessons:

We continue to offer weekly music lessons in Guitar, Piano and Drumming. These take place within the school day at an additional cost. If you require any further information please call into the school office.

Illness and Medication:

If your child is unwell, please phone the school office by 9:30am to report their absence. If you are leaving a message, please leave clear details as to the nature of the illness. If your child has had sickness and/or diarrhoea, they need to stay at home for 48 hours after the last episode.

Please can we also ask that if your child needs any medication within the school day this is dropped off to the school office where you will be able to complete the necessary forms.

Dates:

September:	
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Parent Drop ins
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Teacher led clubs begin
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Venus Visual Screening
October:	
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Junior Life Skills
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Harvest Service
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Last day of Half Term
November:	
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	First day of new half term

Let me finish by saying that my door is always open – please do not hesitate to contact me about anything I may be able to help with. If you are unable to pop into school please ring or email me at [head@marldon.education](mailto:head@marldon.education)

**Kind regards**  
**Jon Arnold**  
**Head of School**