

School Newsletter



Welcome Back

Welcome Back :) We hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable week.

Click on the phone to read the NSPCC and Vodafone's 'Phone safety for your family' Toolkit

Click here to watch 'Swiped- The School that Banned Smartphones'



Our Proud Podium

Please remember to share your child's successes outside school with us via Class Dojo or emailing enquiries@marshlane.derbyshire.sch.uk

We are proud of you!



Team Points

957

Brownlee

#ItsTheRight ThingToDo

1005

Dame Sarah Storey

1058

Jessica Ennis Hill

1106

James Kirton

The winning team will have a movie afternoon to celebrate.



Attendance

Attend Today!
Achieve Tomorrow!

Headline facts and figures - 2024/2025

National

Overall absence rate

6.6%

academic year 2024/25 to date

Authorised absence rate

4.4%

academic year 2024/25 to date

Unauthorised absence rate

2.1%

academic year 2024/25 to date

Persistent absence rate

18.7%

academic year 2024/25 to date

MLPS

Your overall absence

4.9%

Your authorised absence

3.6%

Your unauthorised absence

1.3%

Your persistent absence

11.3%

Change of School Hours Consultation- some comments so far



"After School Care needs to run until 6pm to be successful. 5pm is not late enough for working parents."

At the moment our uptake for after-school care has increased but numbers are still low and often we are struggling to cover the cost of staffing and snacks/drinks. We could trial after-school care running later but there would need to be enough children using this service. Currently our caretaker is contracted to work until 5.30pm and so this would mean a potential change of hours/ contract to a 6pm finish.

"The 5-minute staggered finish time is not enough to alleviate any parking issues and you haven't considered a staggered start in the morning."

We take this on board and are conscious of parents of KS1 and KS2 children having to wait for a long period of time before picking up their older child. Please note this is a proposed change and we are open to changing this.

"Marsh Lane Under 5s finish at 3.15pm two days a week and so parents can't be in two places at once."

We are in discussions with Marsh Lane Under 5's Preschool regarding negotiating school finish times. We understand that parents can't be in two places at once and will make sure this does not happen.

"Removal of Afternoon break is not a good idea. Our children need time away from learning to socialise and to have a brain break."

We still have a 15-minute morning break and 1 hour dinner break which is longer than some other local schools, who have shortened their dinner to 40 minutes with no afternoon break. We only recently introduced afternoon break, having never had it previously. We have however reflected on this and discovered there is a loss of learning time during this transition and an increased in accidents and behavioural incidents during this afternoon break. A large part of our philosophy of education here at Marsh Lane is surrounding collaborative learning. This involves using many KAGAN structures which encourage active participation, cooperative work and opportunities for children to be out of their seat with increased oxygen to the brain.

Key Dates

March

Monday 3rd March - Monday 3rd March- Ramadan whole school assembly

Monday 3rd March -Change of School Hours Consultation Meeting -2.30pm

Thursday 6th March- World Book Day- The Day the Crayons Quit.

Friday 7th March - International Women's Day Assembly

Tuesday 18th March - World Recycling Day

Wednesday 19th March - Y4/5 NHS Visit- Managing Worries

Thursday 20th March- Y3/4 Visit to Green Lawns- Bingo

Friday 21st March- Red Nose Day

Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th March- Parents' Evening Consultations

Wednesday 26th March- Whole School RE Day

Wednesday 26th March- Mother's Day Tea party

Friday 28th March -KS1 Scootability

Friday 4th April- Break up for Easter

Summer Term

Monday 2nd June- Inset Day

Friday 25th July- Break up for Summer Holidays

Inset Days 25/26

Thursday 4th September Friday 5th September Friday 24th October

Monday 1st June Thursday 23rd July

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