

Dear Marner Community,

What a beautiful, sunny week we have had! It has been wonderful to see the children enjoying the fresh air and

making the most of their learning both indoors and outdoors.

Our **World Book Day** celebrations were amazing! This year's theme, 'Get Comfortable Reading,' was embraced by both staff and children, who came to school in pyjamas and comfy clothes—the perfect way to relax and enjoy a book!

One of the most exciting parts of the day was seeing the incredible door decorations created by staff, each one a stunning tribute to a different book. The children loved exploring the doors, and they were so beautifully designed that we will be turning them into displays in our school library! My personal favourite was 'The Iron Man' by Ted Hughes, designed by Mr. Lilon. It was a standout masterpiece!

Photographs of all the doors will be available on Class Dojo shortly—make sure to check them out!

A huge thank you to Ms. Ammana, our Reading Lead, for organising this spectacular day, and to all staff and children for making it so special. It was truly awesome!

Wacky Reading Competition – Join the Fun!

We also have an exciting competition—Wacky Places to Read!
Encourage your child to find a fun or unusual spot to enjoy their book! Once they've settled in, ask someone to snap a picture and send it to your child's class teacher on Class Dojo.

The best picture will be announced next Friday during our Celebration Assembly!
We can't wait to see all the creative and wacky reading spots—get snapping!



SHINE School is Back for Spring Term 2!

Our SHINE School returned this weekend with great enthusiasm, and the children enjoyed a thrilling, sunny Saturday! In the morning, children took part in fun Ramadan-themed activities, including:

- Making cards and banners
- Decorating beautiful patterns
- Solving Ramadan word searches



Our **ballet** students started to gather information to create a ballet book, sharing their experiences and knowledge of ballet. Children continued their **History of Marner project,** putting the finishing touches on their work.

The afternoon was filled with exciting outdoor activities, but the cooking session stole the show!

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The children showed dedication and enthusiasm for learning new recipes, and we were so impressed to hear that many are practising their Shine School recipes at home!

Last weekend, they baked delicious cookies, and we encourage families to let the children try their new skills at home! Cooking and baking are not just fun but valuable life skills.

Why not let your child take the lead in the kitchen this weekend? Let us know how they get on!





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Parent Conference Day – Your Feedback Matters!

Thank you to all the parents who took the time to complete our Parent Conference Day Survey. We are thrilled to share that an overwhelming 88% of parents rated the day as 'Good' or 'Excellent!' This feedback means so much to us, and we are committed to making further improvements based on your suggestions.

As part of our new school website, we will be launching a 'You Said, We Did' section to show how we are responding to your feedback. Your thoughts matter, and we want to ensure that your queries, ideas, and concerns turn into positive changes that benefit you and your children. Thank you for your valuable input!

We are delighted to announce that Marner Primary School has received a certificate for outstanding enthusiasm and participation in the **Jigsaw Voice Competition!**

What is Jigsaw?

Jigsaw is the PSHE (Personal, Social, Health, and Economic education) programme we use at school to support children's social and emotional learning. It helps children develop skills in empathy, emotional intelligence, and personal growth while exploring important topics such as friendship, kindness, and resilience.

The Jigsaw Voice Competition gave children across the school a platform to express their thoughts, ideas, and voices on PSHE topics, encouraging confidence and communication skills.

A Community Iftar – Coming Soon!

We are excited to share that we are meeting today to discuss the setup of a Community Iftar, where parents, children, and staff can come together to break fast during Ramadan. During the holy month of Ramadan, Muslims fast from dawn to sunset, refraining from food and drink during daylight hours. Iftar is the evening meal where families and communities come together to break their fast after sunset.

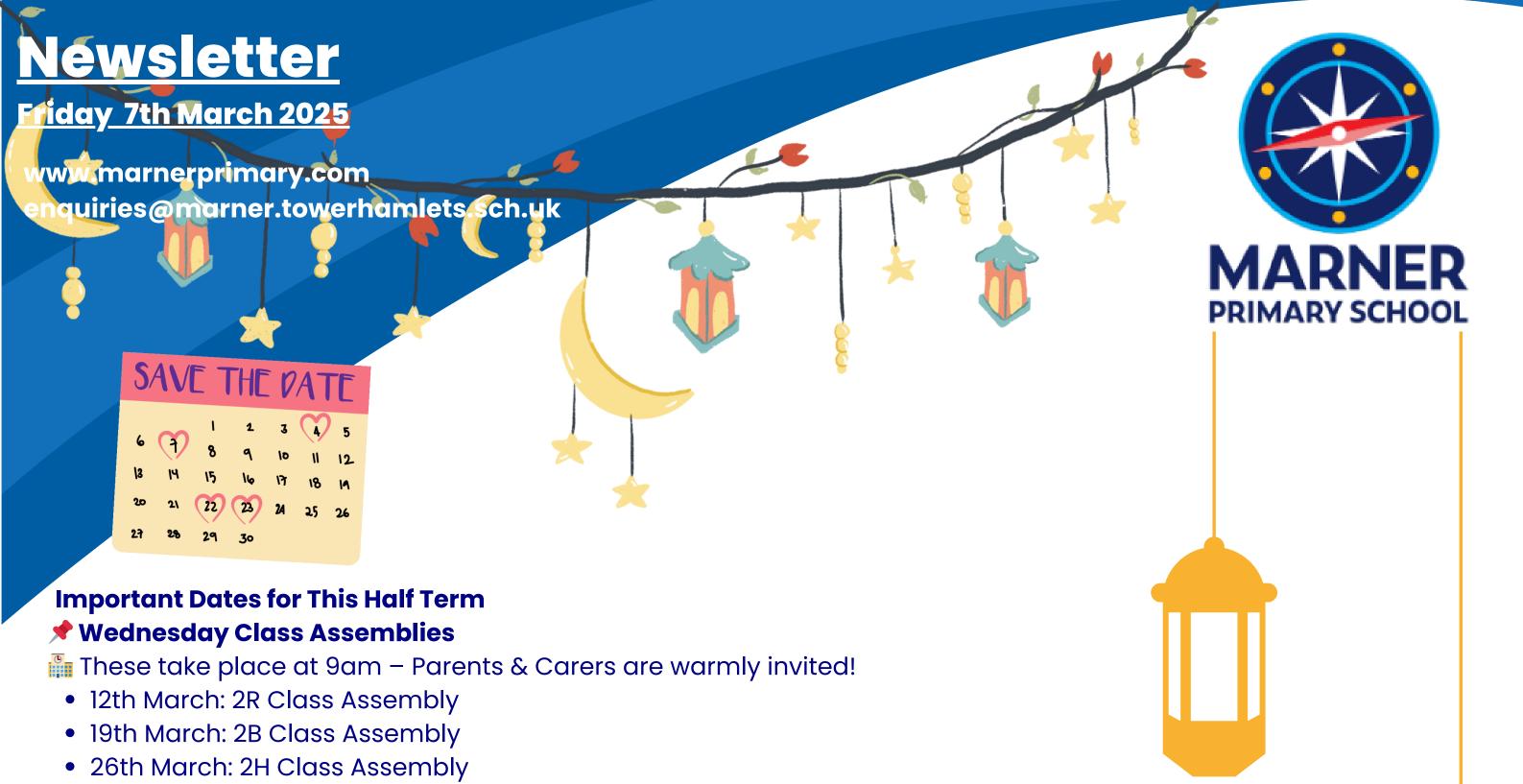
Traditionally, Iftar begins with dates and water, followed by a meal shared with loved ones. It is a time of reflection, gratitude, and togetherness, and in many cultures, people open their doors to friends and neighbours to celebrate the spirit of generosity and community.

At Marner Primary School, we are excited to explore the idea of a Community Iftar, where parents, children, and staff can come together to break fast and celebrate as a school family. We look forward to sharing more details with you soon!

Inclusion, Respect, and Celebrating Diversity at Marner

At Marner Primary School, we are committed to inclusion as well as education. Our school is a place where all religions, beliefs, and cultures are valued and respected. We believe that learning about and celebrating diversity enriches our entire community, helping our children grow into empathetic, respectful, and open-minded individuals. Our upcoming Community Iftar is just one example of how we strive to embrace and celebrate different cultures and traditions, and we are always looking for ways to do even more. If something is important to you and your child, it is important to us.

Do you have ideas on how we can better reflect and celebrate the diversity of our school community? We would love to hear from you! Please do not hesitate to share your thoughts, feedback, or suggestions on how we can make Marner even more inclusive and representative of all backgrounds. Your voice matters, and together, we can continue to create a school community that is welcoming for all.



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Spring Term Growth Mindset Workshops
We are excited to launch our Growth Mindset Workshops for parents and carers! These sessions will explore how you

can support your child in developing resilience, a love of learning, and a positive attitude towards challenges.

🏴 Please note: As shared during the Year 2 Parent Meetings, the dates for the Year 2 Class Assemblies have

★ Years 3 & 4 – Friday, 14th March

• 2nd April: 1K Class Assembly

- ★ Years 1 & 2 Friday, 21st March
- ≠ EYFS Friday, 28th March
- Come along and learn more about Growth Mindsets and how they can help your child thrive!

Whole School Events

- Friday, 21st March Red Nose Day & World Down Syndrome Day at Marner
- Monday, 31st March School Closed for Eid
- Thursday, 3rd April Eid Lunch & Party Day 🎉
- Friday, 4th April Break up for Easter at 2pm
- Monday, 7th Wednesday, 9th April (mornings only) Year 6 Easter Boosters for all pupils \u2206
- Tuesday, 22nd April Summer Term Begins (8:45am start)

As always, thank you for your continued support and for being a part of the Marner Primary School community. With temperatures set to reach 16°C, it's looking like a beautiful weekend ahead—Spring is here!

Have a wonderful, sunny weekend, and see you on Monday!

Best wishes,

Sarah Bowmer

Headteacher



