

Marnar Newsletter

Friday 11th September 2026



Dear Marnar Families,

We have had another busy and positive week at Marnar, with children continuing to settle brilliantly into their classes and routines.

It has been lovely to see so many families joining us for events and meetings, and to see children beginning to take on new opportunities across the school.

Belonging at Marnar

Our theme of belonging has continued this week.

In assemblies, we have been introducing our Rights Respecting programme of study – “Me in My World” and thinking together about what it means to belong to a class, a school, a community and the wider world.

At Marnar, belonging means that every child should feel known, included, valued and proud to be part of our community. It also means understanding that we all have rights, but that we have responsibilities towards one another too.

We want our children to understand that their voice matters, that they can contribute to their community and that they can make a positive difference.

We have also been learning about **Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year**. Children have been thinking about some of its important themes, including reflection, new beginnings, hope and looking forward to the year ahead – ideas which connect beautifully with the start of our own new school year.



Pupil Voice and Democracy

Next week we will also be marking the International Day of Democracy and beginning the process of establishing our new Pupil Council.

Our Pupil Council is an important part of ensuring that children have a meaningful voice in school life. Children will have opportunities to put themselves forward, share ideas and represent the views of their classmates.

Please have a conversation with your child over the weekend about whether this might be something they would like to get involved in.



We want our children to know that leadership is not simply about having a badge or title – it is about listening, representing others, taking responsibility and helping to make Marnar even better.



Meet the Teacher 🙋

Thank you to everyone who has attended our Meet the Teacher meetings so far. We hope you have found them useful and that they have given you an opportunity to meet your child's teacher and teaching team and hear more about the year ahead.

A reminder that:

📅 Friday 11th September at 2:45pm – Year 1

Meetings take place in children's classrooms, with the exception of the Year 6 meeting, which is held as a whole-year-group meeting in the hall.

Please enter through the main office, where staff will be available to show you where to go.

⚠️ The Year 3 Strength Class meeting will be rearranged. Please look out for the new date on ClassDojo.

Thank you for working in partnership with us.



Our Autumn What's On Guide

Don't forget to have a look at our Autumn Term What's On Guide, available on ClassDojo and the school website.

It includes the key dates for the term, with further information about individual events coming nearer the time.

There is lots to look forward to, including:

- 🎤 Class Assemblies
- 🎨 Parent Workshops
- 🏮 Our Lantern Parade
- 🎄 End of Term Shows
- ❄️ Our Winter Fair

Our Parent Meetings with Class

Teachers will take place on

Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday

4th November, from 3:30–6:00pm.

Please continue to check ClassDojo

regularly for updates about clubs,

coffee mornings and other opportunities

taking place across the school.



WHAT'S ON

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AUTUMN TERM DATES

Welcome to the Autumn Term! Coming up this term:

Autumn Term dates
 Autumn 1: **Wednesday 2nd September – Friday 16th October at 2pm**
 School closed for half term (2 weeks): Monday 19th – Friday 30th October
 Autumn 2: **Monday 2nd November – Friday 18th December at 2pm**
 Spring Term begins: **Monday 4th January at 8:45am**

Parent Workshops @ 9am
Power of Play Workshops for Early Years and Year 1:

- Thursday 1st October
- Thursday 8th October
- Thursday 15th October

More workshop dates to follow

Please keep checking Class Dojo for updates:

- After School Clubs start:** Monday 28th September
- SEND Coffee Mornings start:** Wednesday 23rd September
- SHINE on Saturday starts:** 3rd October

Parent Coffee Mornings take place every Friday @ 9am
Everyone welcome!

Class Assemblies

- Y5 Respect:** 18th November
- Y5 Justice:** 25th November
- Y5 Empower:** 2nd December

Parent Meetings with Class Teachers
 Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th November
 3:30–6pm

End of Term Shows @ 9:30am

- Y5 and 6:** Monday 14th December
- Y3 and 4:** Tuesday 15th December
- Y1 and 2:** Wednesday 16th December
- Early Years Nativity:** Thursday 17th December
- Bloom and Thrive:** Friday 18th December

Non-uniform days this term:

- Friday 16th October:** Show Racism the Red Card – **wear red**
- Friday 13th November:** Children In Need – **wear bright colours**
- Thursday 10th December:** Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day

Lantern Parade Thursday 12th November

Winter Fair Thursday 10th December

School Nurse Coffee Morning ☕

We hope those of you who were able to join us for our School Nurse Coffee Morning this morning found it useful.

These sessions are a great opportunity for families to speak directly to health professionals, ask questions about their child's health and wellbeing and find out where further advice and support may be available.

Thank you to everyone who came along.



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Shine School ★

We will shortly be talking to children and families about our Shine School and how children can sign up.

Shine gives children an additional opportunity to learn, build confidence, practise key skills and enjoy enriching activities in a supportive environment beyond the normal school week.

We are very proud of the opportunities that Shine provides for our children and will be sharing further information about places and how to register.

If you have any questions about Shine, please speak to Ms Doherty.

Keeping Everyone Safe Outside School 🚶

We need your support with an **important road-safety reminder.**

We completely understand that the roads around Marner can be busy and that parking at the beginning and end of the school day can be difficult. However, the safety of our children and families must always come first.

We are increasingly seeing adults and children crossing the road away from the designated crossing. Please use the crossing whenever possible and model safe road-crossing behaviour for our children.



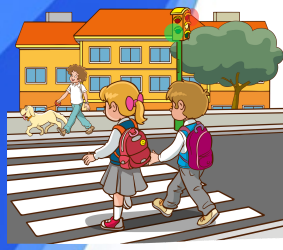
We are also seeing some vehicles stopping in the road outside the main school gate to allow children to get out. Please do not do this.

Stopping in moving traffic to drop off a child is unsafe for your own child, other children and families, as well as other road users. The area immediately outside the school gate must remain as safe and clear as possible.

We know mornings can be rushed, but we ask everyone to work with us by:

- using safe crossing points;
- parking safely and legally away from the gate;
- walking the final part of the journey where possible; and
- never stopping in moving traffic to let children out.





Children learn a huge amount from watching the adults around them. By modelling safe choices, we are helping them develop habits that may protect them for the rest of their lives.

Thank you for working with us to keep every member of our Marner community safe. **Cross with our wonderful Lollipop Crossing Person, Sharon or find a safe place to park / pull over.**



Lost Property

As we begin a new school year, with lots of lovely new uniform, please make sure that all uniform, coats, bags, water bottles and other belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name and year group.

We have already started to see our lost-property pile growing after just the first couple of weeks! Clearly labelling belongings makes it much easier for us to return items quickly to their owners. Please be aware that unclaimed lost property will be donated to a clothes bank at the end of each half term, so please check regularly if something has gone missing. **Thank you for your support.**



Thank you, as always, for your continued support and for everything you do to help make Marner such a strong community.

The sense of belonging that we want for every child is created through the partnership between children, families and staff – and it has been wonderful to see that partnership in action again this week.

Have a lovely weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone next week.

Sarah Bowmer

Headteacher

Marner Primary School

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YOU** ★ ★ ★

