



# Markeaton

## Primary School



### Newsletter

Friday 12th April 2019

The end of another term has arrived and I am entrusted with the task of picking out the highlights from the last seven weeks! With so many to choose from, this is never an easy challenge as I am sure you can appreciate but hopefully the rest of the termly newsletter gives you a flavour of what we have been up to!

The last few days is probably a good place to start with the children in Y1 and FS2 parading their homemade Easter Bonnets on the school playground. Over the years this has become an extremely well attended event and we have always been rather fortunate with the weather. Thank you to everyone who came and thank you for all your help with making the bonnets!

Indeed, it was a busy week for the Y1 children as we had parent/carer pop in on Wednesday morning. This was an opportunity for all the Y1 children to show off their work and talk to their parents/carers or other family members about what they have been learning.

And then, on top of all that, we had the Y2 VE Party, hosted by Miss Gaskin, Mrs Smith and the fantastic Y2 team (see one of the tables on the right). The children sang songs from the era (Vera Lynn always a favourite), danced and then had a picnic with their families. Again, thank you to everyone who attended, it was a great afternoon and everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy themselves.



In other news, we are proud to announce that we were successful in a Rolls Royce Wellbeing Grant application. Over the last few years, Rolls Royce has advertised to local schools that they have a wellbeing fund which they can apply for. As I am sure you imagine, lots of schools put forward their applications and Rolls Royce then have the tricky task of deciding which applications were best and how much money they should receive. Expertly supported by one of our kind parents, our bid was chosen and we will be shortly receiving a sum of money which can be used in school to help support the children's mental health – look out in the future for more details. In the last three years, that now brings our successful grant total to £26,000 (Lottery, Tesco etc). Not a bad day's work all in all and we have more plans for grants in the future!

And finally, another big thank you to everyone who has contributed to our 'Personal Care and Beauty Recycling Programme' so far (see page 7 in the newsletter). This is a very exciting opportunity for the school – not only do we help to save the planet and reduce plastics but there is also a good chance we might win a £10,000 playground!

What has really helped is a parent dropping off a huge box of used deodorant lids this morning! As it is all measured by weight, this will go a long way towards supporting our cause. Once the national league table is produced and we can track our progress I will let you know. You've got to be in it to win it!

Have a fantastic Easter break and I will see you on the gate on the 29th April.

Mr I. Johnson

## Six Streets Arts Trail Yarn Bombing!

Our Arts Reps would like to invite children, parents, carers and grandparents to take part in the Six Streets Arts Trail yarn bombing activity. Yarn bombing involves decorating a tree with handmade decorations made from knitting, crocheting or felt. The Arts Reps have chosen a tree outside 35 Bromley Street and have decided to dedicate the theme to 'Summer' which can include minibeasts, flowers, or anything that reminds you of summer. Please hand your finished decoration to Miss Gamble by Thursday 20th June. The Six Streets Arts Trail runs Saturday 22nd to Sunday 23rd June (our tree will remain decorated until Sunday 30th June).



Thank you to everyone who donated to Comic Relief this year. We managed to raise an amazing **£388.10**.



## Library Service Award

The Library Service gave special award to a child in KS2 today for being a runner-up in their reading competition. By runner-up, we mean for the **WHOLE** of Derbyshire! A big well done to you!



## Hobbycraft Easter Bonnet Competition

Our Art Reps have been busy decorating our fabulous Easter bonnet. Please pop along to Hobbycraft, Derby before **Sunday 20th April** to vote for our entry. There are three prizes to be won with 1st prize being a £100 Hobbycraft hamper!

Thank you for your support.



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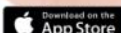
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## Spring Art Competition

Some fabulous Spring themed entries in our Spring Art Competition. Well done to the prize winners!



## Markeaton Basketball Team

Markeaton Basketball Team played incredibly well this half term, winning 3 out of the 4 matches they played! Their sportsmanship was second to none. What a proud moment for Markeaton.



## We are a nut free school

Due to children who attend Markeaton Primary School that have a severe allergy to nuts, we kindly request that you do not send your child to school with nuts, or products containing nuts, for their snacks or in their packed lunches.

*For some, contact with nuts could be life-threatening!*

Thank you for your co-operation in making our school environment safe for all.



## School Dinners

The cost of school dinners for half term Monday 29th April to Friday 22nd May is **£41.80**. Payment can be made half-terminly or weekly and is due in advance. The cost of a school dinner is £2.20 per day/£11 per week.

Please refer to our School Dinners - Payment and Arrears Policy on our website.



## Markeaton Football Team

Great sportsmanship from our Y5/6 Football Team. With still a couple of matches to go, please see the league table below. Well done!

Derby Cluster League - Table

POS	Team	PLD	W	D	L	SF	SA	SD	PTS
1	Markeaton Primary School	2	2	0	0	10	1	9	6
2	Portway Junior School	1	1	0	0	10	0	10	3
3	Lawn Primary School	1	0	0	1	0	7	-7	0
4	St Mary's	2	0	0	2	1	13	-12	0

W - Games Won, L - Games Lost, D - Games Drawn  
 POS - League Position, SD - Score Difference, SF - Score For  
 SA - Score Against, PLD - Games Played, PTS - Points Earned

## Highlights from this Half Term

Another busy half term: an assembly with Leigh Timmins - world record holder for cycling across Europe, Parent Evenings, World Book Day, Music Celebration Assembly and FS2/KS1 Easter Bonnet Parade are just some of the things we have participated in during the past few weeks.

**FS2** enjoyed a trip to Rosliston Forestry Centre where the children learned about hibernation and took part in Teddy's Bushcraft where they were able to toast marshmallows on a campfire. The children were also very excited to take part in the East Bonnet Parade this Thursday, showing off their masterpieces!

**Y1** invited their parents to come and join them in some open phonics sessions this half term - we hope you found these useful? The children have also been active, taking part in some Soccerstar taster sessions and searching for the first signs of Spring in our Outdoor Learning Area. We've even been measuring and recording the daily rainfall!

**Y2's** World War II topic came to a grand finale earlier this week with their VE Day Celebration Party. We hope the parents enjoyed our singing and dancing? In addition to learning our songs and dances for the VE Day Celebration Party, we've also managed to squeeze in some drum workshops and science experiments to establish the difference between handling bread with gloves and handling it with dirty hands. See our Twitter feed for the results!

The 'Ancient Egypt' theme continues in **Y3** this half term - the children have been making 'death masks' and moving mummies using pneumatics. This week in RE, we've been looking at the Christian celebration of Easter and making our own decorative crosses.

The highlight of this half term for **Y4** has to be Condoover Hall residential! The children had great fun joining in team-building activities such as rope climbing, laser conquest and tunnelling. This half term, we've also been coding using 'Scratch', creating our amazing Egyptian newspapers and utilising our outdoor learning area to learn about fairytale settings.

**Y5** have been creative this half term, producing some amazing artwork inspired by William Morris and making some felt animals in needlework lessons. The children from Y5/6 also enjoyed a trip to Yorkshire Wildlife Park as part of their 'Planet Earth' topic, where they were able to learn about the different animal habitats.

**Y6** have spent 12 weeks of hard work collecting examples of palm oil products. Palm oil is in 50% of all packaged products, including soap, shampoo and food. We have encouraged four major companies to stop using dirty palm oil. An amazing achievement; hopefully more will follow! Also, as part of our ongoing Mental Wellbeing lessons, Year 6 have been discussing negative thoughts that sometimes worry us or get us overthinking. We are exploring ways to think more positively when faced with difficult challenges.



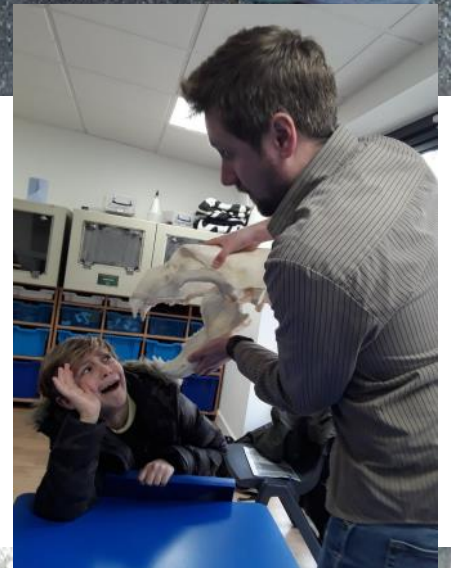
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Highlights From This Half Term





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# PERSONAL CARE AND BEAUTY RECYCLING PROGRAMME

## ACCEPTED WASTE

All brands are accepted!

Flexible single use mask packaging and the blue plastic film put on top of the tissue mask (used for personal care and beauty products)



Flexible plastic wipes packaging (used for personal care and beauty products)



Personal care and beauty product packaging caps, pumps and trigger sprays (rigid plastic bottles are not accepted)



Plastic pots and flexible plastic tubes (used for personal care and beauty products)



Hair colourant kits (except rigid plastic bottles and cardboard packaging)



Plastic roll-on deodorants (aerosols are not accepted)



## Personal Care and Beauty Programme

### WASTE THAT IS NOT ACCEPTED

- Rigid plastic bottles (used for shampoo, conditioner, hair serum, hair colouring, skin care, sun protection and body care packaging)
- Plastic pots and flexible plastic tubes not used for personal care and beauty products (such as food pots and tubes, grout tubes and glue tubes)
- Cardboard packaging
- Aerosols
- Flexible plastic wipes packaging not used for personal care and beauty products (such as surface cleaning wipes packaging ; baby wipes packaging ; window wipes packaging)



**DRUMMING LESSONS ARE STARTING AT  
MARKEATON PRIMARY SCHOOL  
NEXT HALF TERM!**



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£38.50 per half term for six 20 minute lessons

Lessons are run in small groups of 2-6 children, during school time,  
on a weekly basis

Please enrol by 26th April for your child to secure their place.

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If you would like your child to have drumming lessons, please visit our  
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Lessons will start week commencing 29th April

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## YMCA Wrap-Around-Care

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In partnership with Markeaton Primary School we provide a safe and friendly environment for your child that provides lots of exciting activities before and after school, including: problem solving, arts and crafts, a range of sports, help with homework and much more. Our wide range of activities will support children's natural stages of development and interests alongside ensuring healthy and nutritious food is provided.

We support daily routines to enable children to become alert and ready for the school day and then offer time for homework and fun and games after the school day so children go home relaxed.

The Breakfast Club includes a nutritious breakfast and the After School Club includes a nutritious tea.

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