**WEEKLY 'HEAD'-LINES** 

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#### Dear Parents and Carers,

We've had another fantastic week in school, with lots of exciting learning activities and I have continued to hear about the superb examples of home-learning through your emails and phone-calls. Thank you for your continued

This time of year, we would normally be welcoming the parents of children due to start Nursery and Reception into school to meet the other children in their class, the staff and become familiar with their new environment.

Due to the present circumstances, we are unfortunately unable to do that, however I will be sharing some Early Years information videos on Facebook every Tuesday and Thursday. Please look out for these, along with our EYFS transition tab on the school website. The video clips will explain how we teach children in Nursery and Reception and how you can support your child over the summer to get ready for their learning journey ahead!

Best wishes and take care.



## NOTICES

## Drop off/pick up Year 6 children:

Drop-off between 8:50- 9:00am. Pick-up between 2:50-3:00pm Please park your car and bring your child to the front right-hand SIDE GATE by Talbot class where Mr Paterson will collect your child. Please do not gather at the gate.

## Year 1 children:

Drop-off between 9:00am and 9:10am. Pick-up between 2:40pm and 2:50pm.

Please park your car and bring your child to the rear PLAYGROUND gate, where Mr Gillespie will collect your child. Please do not gather at the gate.

### Nursery and Reception children:

Drop-off between 9:10- 9:20am. Pick-up between 2:30 and 2:40pm. Please park your car and bring your child to the NURSERY gate, where Mrs Finch will collect your child from you. Please do not gather at the gate.

Children of keyworkers: Our provision for children of key workers will continue to operate between 8:45am and 3:10pm. Please use the hall door where Miss Thomas will collect your child. However, if your child is in EYFS, Year 1 or Year 6, than please use the required drop-off/collection point and procedure for that year group. This ensures that your child does not enter/exit through other classes and mix with other 'bubbles' of children. I will ensure that a member of staff is on these points at 8:45am to welcome your child into school.

## Robin Hood learning projects

STEM have created some great themed projects to do at home together. The website contains projects based around eight different themes, which cover many aspects of the National Curriculum. They aim to provide a broad and balanced learning experience for your children, whilst learning at home and are totally free. Why not have a browse and delve into something new? https://www.stem.org.uk/resources/colle ction/468110/robin-hood-mat-learningprojects

## **BBC Bitesize daily lessons**

The BBC website has been updated and you will find daily lessons for home schooling in Maths and English for every year group, as well as regular lessons in Science, History, Geography and more.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylesso

## **Read Write Inc phonics**

**Trust News** 

To help children learning to read at home during school closure, Read Write inc are streaming 7 phonics, reading and spelling lessons every weekday on our YouTube channel. Each lesson is ten to fifteen minutes long and available for 24 hours.

https://www.ruthmiskin.com/en/find-outmore/parents/

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## Mrs R Kaminski **Head of School**

## Headteacher's **Award**

Well done to all our children for their fantastic work! Please look out for our virtual Headteacher's assembly on our Facebook page, where I will announce this week's winners. I will also email parents to notify you individually.

Please continue to send their achievements to kaminski.r@mmat.com to be considered for next week's Headteacher's awards. Remember you can also share your home learning news with our school community in the pinned post on our Facebook page!

#### **Assemblies**

It is also great to see the introduction of some remote collective worship for primary school children, on You Tube, go to: https://www.youtube.com/channel/U CmEMvgYPXWx8qwOYpsrTaGQ every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 9:45am. The assemblies include a real life introduction, a song, a Bible story and, a reflective craft activity for pupils to complete afterwards.

Operation Encompass is now up and running in Shropshire and The Marches Academy Trust is part of this fantastic scheme. The initiative will see West Mercia Police working closely with schools and Shropshire Council to ensure the welfare of children who may have witnessed domestic abuse incidents. Members of school staff will receive special training enabling them to provide emotional and practical support for students experiencing domestic abuse. Full information regarding the initiative can be read in this article compiled by West Mercia Police - click here.

# Our very special gift

We have received a very kind donation from Mrs Everil Paterson whose great grandson Mr William Paterson works as a Key Stage 2 teacher at our school. Mrs Paterson will be turning 100 years old on the 23rd August this year, and to commemorate this wonderful milestone she wanted to donate something that the pupils could enjoy and would allow them to be taught outside during the summer months.

Mr William Paterson, UKS2 Teacher at the school said; "I discussed with my great grandmother what gift would most benefit the children and we found a large bell tent which would be able to fit a large group of pupils, it was even in the Tilstock colours. Our new tent will be a massive boost to our school and really benefit the children. Staff are already planning how we can use it for reading groups, circle time and even intervention groups during the summer months. The pupils that have tested it out so far were very excited and cannot wait to get back in their 'rainbow classroom'. We are very grateful to Mrs Paterson for her donation and hope she enjoys the pictures and letters the pupils have produced in gratitude'





For worship-related activities this week, visit: https://www.rootsontheweb.com/i-am-looking-for/public-copies/worshipathome31may

This webpage is updated weekly, with a different Bible story and activities for children based on the story.

# PE & Sports Apprentice

An exciting role has become available within The Marches Academy Trust for a PE & Sports Apprentice. The role will see the apprentice support both Lower Heath C of E Primary School and Tilstock C of E Primary School, with the possibility of travel to other schools within the Trust. For full details please click here. Applications close - 21/06/2020.

# WEBSITE QUICK LINKS



Please click on the following useful links to find out more.

 Home Learning Term Dates.



## USEFUL CONTACTS



# **FACEBOOK**

Please follow us on Facebook @tilstockprimaryschool for supplementary home learning ideas, news, competitions and feel good stories. We also encourage you to share your ideas and interact with our posts!

For news from across the Trust, why not also follow the @MarchesAcademyTrust page.



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