# Marden Primary Academy



# Newsletter 🕏



#### **Sports Day**

We took part in Sports Day on Monday 1st July. In the morning the children in Class 4 had organised some games for the rest of the school. The games were so much fun! We used lots of different skills. We threw balls at a target, we went through a water tunnel, we kicked a ball into a goal, we jumped over the hurdles and lots more! In the afternoon we took part in races. We could choose between a sprint race, a sack race and an egg and spoon race. The older children could choose between a sprint race, a long distance race, a sack race, an egg and spoon race and a skipping race. Reception and Years 1 and 2 also took part in an obstacle course and Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 took part in relay races. We all had a fantastic day!

#### By Class 1







Congratulations to this year's award winners.

Class 1 shield - Chloe Hughes

Class 2 shield – Vivi-Ana Staneva

Class 3 shield – Riley Morris

Class 4 shield – Leah-May Evans-Richards

Sports shield – Joshua Payne

Achievement cup - Emily Williams

Well done

### **School Sleepover**

On Thursday 20th June, Class 3 held a sleepover in school. First, we got changed and set-up our beds for the sleepover. The girls slept in Class 3 and the boys slept in Class 4. We also put all our things onto our sleeping mats. After that, our parents came to see where we were sleeping and we played a scavenger hunt with them where we had to find objects beginning with letters that spelt out 'Sleepover'. After the scavenger hunt we all played hide and seek with our parents where Nicole, Nojus and Sonny searched for the hiding students and parents. The parents left and we played a game of rounders without them. Once we'd played our games we went inside for our tea. We had fish and chips, jelly and ice cream for dessert and drank squash before putting on our coats and jumpers and returning outside. Then we were told stories and danced a funny dance to 'Singing in the Rain' around the fire that we had made. We came back inside and had hot chocolate with marshmallows, then put on our pyjamas and finally we were read a story before going to bed. We had a nice sleep, then in the morning, Mrs Plumridae made us breakfast from a choice of cereal, sausage, bacon, egg, beans and toast. We then got dressed ready for school the next day. We packed our bags from last night and put them in the hall ready for our parents to pick up. Lastly, before school started, we played a number and a shape game with Mrs Laverick. We really enjoyed the sleepover and would like to say thank you to Mrs Plumridge and Mrs Laverick for organising the event and appreciate the time they spent on us. We would love to do it again!!

#### By Class 3





## Class 4 Visit to Llansteffan

On Monday 17th June class 4 went to Hooke Court, Llansteffan for our residential trip. We stayed there for two nights and came back on Wednesday 19th June. On the first day, we met a man called Chris and then went to the woods and made dens in our groups. When we came back, we ate some delicious food! In the evening, we went on a night walk to the castle. We looked at their defences and we charged at the teachers! Before we went to bed, we had some hot chocolate and a story about a mermaid.

The next day, we went for a walk to the beach and saw lots of jellyfish and shells. When we ate our lunch, then we went back to do rock pooling. We caught some giant crabs and loads of other creatures! In the evening, we went to the beach again and had a campfire! Everyone in the class had to do a performance either in a group or alone to entertain everyone else. On the last day, we went to build some sand castles and do beach art. Everyone had to vote on which group they thought made the best one! Then we went on the bus and went back home. We had an amazing time at Llansteffan!







#### **Seaside Afternoon**

On Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July Classes 1 and 2 had a wonderful time outside for our seaside afternoon. We had 4 main activities:-

- Water play
- Sand play
- Punch and Judy craft
- Beach games.

We were with Mrs Laverick for the water play. We splashed the water with our feet and looked at the shells at the bottom of the pool.

Mr Rickman's group played in the sand and made sandcastles. Ben and Sofija made the biggest one!

We made a Punch and Judy wheel theatre with Mrs Flynn and enjoyed throwing beanbags through the Punch and Judy board.

Miss Rogers played beach games with us, we had balls flying everywhere!

When we had been to all the stations, Ms Evans brought out lemonade and Hokey-Pokeys for us and we all sat on the grass and enjoyed them.

We had a wonderful time!

By Class 2

## Spelling Bee and TT Rockstars

On Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July, classes 3 and 4 held a Spelling Bee. The first round entailed a written spelling test of 50 words from the children's own year group spellings. Anyone scoring over 40% in the written round progressed to the final. Certificates have been given to the top 4 children in each class.

The final was held out in the sunshine in the maze. Each child was asked to spell aloud more challenging words from their year group's spellings. As nerves set in, mistakes were made and the final group was whittled down to the last 3. Megan Smith tried so hard but was placed in third. Finley and Elisabeth battled hard for first place and the competition even went to a head to head. Elisabeth was finally victorious and given a huge round of applause for becoming our Spelling Bee Champion.

Due to the success of this event, Class 3 and 4 will be holding a Spelling Bee at the end of every half term.

Having successfully participated in the Times Table Rockstars Rock League and the Spelling Bee, the children of classes 3 and 4 asked if they could have a Times Table Championship. On the last morning of school, the challenge began. The children played in groups of 5 with a live results screening on the white board. The top 3 scorers from each group advanced to the next round. The rounds continued with the top 2 for each group progressing to a live final. Evelina and Leah held their nerves to reach the final. With excitement building, the final began. 60 seconds later our winner was revealed. Leah had become our champion for this half term. We will be holding a Times Table Rockstars Championship each half term next year. Keep practising to improve your rock speed and increase your chances of being our next TTRS champion.

Have a lovely Summer break and we will see you

on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September. Good luck to our year 6 children with their new schools.