



## The Acorn Partnership

Marston Montgomery Primary School  
Lung Lane C of E Primary School

### Newsletter – July 2025

Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of another school year, I want to take a moment to celebrate and say thank you. This year has been filled with many moments to be proud of — from achievements in the classroom to the children's creativity, resilience, and kindness. We've seen fantastic learning, wonderful trips, and special memories made across both of our schools.

This is also an opportunity to thank our parents and families for your support. Thank you for everything you do — attending events, supporting learning at home and working in partnership with us.

#### **September Staffing Update**

There are some changes to our teaching assistants in September. Details of this is shared below.

LLPS Garden Class – Mrs Forman for three days and Miss Dale for two days

LLPS Meadow Class – Miss Walters for five days

MMPS Garden Class – Miss Dale for three days

MMPS Meadow Class – Mrs Coppen for five days

#### **National College – Water Safety**

Attached to the email is a poster to share with your children to help them think about how to be safe around water.

#### **BC and ASC**

Please continue to make sure you have booked sessions for BC and ASC on the Parent Pay app.

Please also email Mrs Lovett and Mrs Bosley with the dates / times you have booked so that we can ensure staff know the sessions have been booked and can inform staff.

If you are having difficulty using Parent Pay please contact Mrs Lovett and she will get back to you.

Please remember that **places need to be booked seven days in advance**, so that we can ensure we have staff for each session, for example if you need a session on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> it needs to be booked on Monday 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

#### **Social Media Friend Requests**

Some staff are receiving friend requests from pupils on social media, for example FaceBook. If appropriate, please remind your children that staff are not able to be friends with pupils. Thank you



JULY 26<sup>TH</sup> - AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>

# THE ASHBOURNE GINGERBREAD TRAIL

ALL THINGS  
@ASHBOURNE

Spot the gingerbread biscuits in windows across town, solve the puzzle, and claim your treat!  
Trail maps are available from Betty's Sewing Box,  
Handmade Design & Cornerstone Cafe

Did you know? Gingerbread has been part of  
Ashbourne's story for generations!



### **KiddiActiv at Marston Montgomery Village Hall**

We are pleased to announce that Primary Stars are continuing to run a KiddiActiv Session in collaboration with us. Sessions will continue after the half term holiday and are open to all children under 5. Please share with all your friends with under 5s. These sessions are free to attend.



A promotional poster for KiddiActiv Pre-School Provision. The poster has a blue background with a large yellow star at the top left. The text 'KiddiActiv' is in white, with 'PRE-SCHOOL PROVISION' in smaller white letters below it. Below this, 'PRE-SCHOOL CLASS AT MARSTON MONTGOMERY' is written in yellow and white. A dark blue box contains the text 'FREE SESSIONS' in yellow. Below that, 'THURSDAYS 9.15-10.15AM' is in white, and 'GYMNASTICS & MOVEMENT TODDLER GROUP, FOR CHILDREN UP TO 5 YEARS OLD' is in yellow. At the bottom, 'CONTACT MARSTON MONTGOMERY PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICE' is in white. There are two contact options: a phone icon with '01889 590373' and an email icon with 'info@marstonmontgomery.derbyshire.sch.uk'. On the right side, there are three circular inset photos showing children and adults in a play area. At the bottom right is the Marston Montgomery Primary School logo, which features a tree and the school's name.

### **Partnership – Events in Summer 2 2025**

#### **Bike Ability Level 2 (11/06/25)**

The Year 6 children took part in two sessions of Bikeability across the year. They learnt how to perform an ABC check on their bikes. Then learnt how to safely travel on roads. The staff from RDSSP who delivered the sessions were thoroughly impressed. Well done Year 6!



### **Primary Stars: Sports Day 10/06/25**

Both Garden Classes took part in the Primary Stars Sports Day at Ashbourne Recreation Ground, joining pupils from other local schools for a morning of sport and teamwork.

Children participated in a variety of traditional sports day events, including the sack race, egg and spoon, sprints and relays, and bean bag throwing.

The event provided a great opportunity for pupils to work together, develop their skills, and enjoy some healthy competition in a supportive environment. Well done to all the children for their effort and enthusiasm throughout the day.



### **Garden Class trip to Haddon Hall 12/06/25**

Garden Class spent the day at Haddon Hall where they took part in Tudor dancing, dressed up in Tudor costumes and had a tour of Haddon Hall. It was a fantastic day and brought their history learning to life.



### **RDSSP: KS1 Athletics 24/06/25**

The children had a fabulous time at QEGS. We took part in a range of activities. We ran around the full length of a track, saw how many times we could jump over a line in 1 minute, took part in a long jump and practised throwing into targets. The children really enjoyed this event and tried their hardest. Well done Garden Class!



### **RDSSP: Orienteering Festival 26/06/25**

The children travelled to Darley Dale Primary School to partake in some orienteering activities. The children learnt map reading skills so that they could locate cones with letters on that were scattered across the field, they then enjoyed a picnic in the park.



### **Joint Day – Sports Day 11/07/25**

Sports day was a scorcher this year ☺. In the morning, children had a treat of an inflatable obstacle course. In the afternoon with lots of ice lollies and frozen baby wipes children took part in sports day. They showed great determination and sportsmanship with Team Daisy taking the trophy this year. Thank you to all the grown-ups for your cheering on of the children.



### **Open Centre Trip 14/07/25**

As part of our ongoing commitment to broadening children's understanding of different cultures and beliefs, pupils from across The Acorn Partnership took part in a fascinating visit to the *Open Centre* in Derby.

During the day, the children had the opportunity to explore three different places of worship: a Mosque, a Hindu temple, and a Sikh Gurdwara. This hands-on experience brought their classroom learning to life and deepened their appreciation for the diversity of faiths in our wider community.

We were incredibly proud of how engaged and respectful the children were throughout the visit. They asked thoughtful questions and confidently shared what they had already learned in school — demonstrating just how much their knowledge and understanding of world religions has grown.

It was a truly enriching experience for all involved, and one that supports our goal of nurturing respectful, informed, and open-minded individuals



### **Meadow Class trip to the Space Centre 18/07/25**

Meadow class enjoyed a trip to the space centre, they learnt all about our solar system which they had already learnt about in school. They got to experience the Sir Patrick Moore Planetarium and go up the rocket tower.

### **DT Days 21 &22/07/25**

The children enjoyed two days of DT. Our EYFS children based their learning on the book 'What the Ladybird heard at the Seaside'. In Years 1 and 2 our children built freestanding bridges using different techniques to strengthen them. In Years 3 and 4 our children made gift boxes using CAD design and our children in Years 5 and 6 made Anderson shelters.

I wish you all a restful and happy summer, and look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, ready for another exciting year ahead!

Warm regards

Teresa Bosley  
Executive Head Teacher



## Long Lane Church of England Primary School

### Long Lane – Events in Summer 2 2025

#### **Garden Class Forest School: Forest School Fun!**

We've had an amazing time at Forest School this term, making the most of the sunshine and getting stuck into nature! The children have been busy building dens. They have also been getting creative with clay, making all sorts of fantastic nature-inspired creations.

Our plant spotting skills are getting sharper by the week as we learn to identify different leaves and plants. The children especially enjoyed leaf and stick painting — who knew leaves could be so colourful?

And of course, with all this lovely weather, we couldn't resist a bit of water play! Whether it was splashing, pouring, or just cooling down, everyone had a blast.

It's been messy, muddy, and full of laughter — exactly how Forest School should be!

#### **Little Monkeys (06/06/25)**

For our final Little Monkeys session, we finished the term with a summer-themed afternoon. One of the most popular activities was designing and making ice cream sundaes, which the children really enjoyed.

In addition, we explored a range of seaside-themed activities, including sandcastle building and water play with sea creatures.

The weather was kind to us, which meant we could also make good use of the Early Years outdoor area, where children had the chance to explore the new equipment and resources. Thank you to everyone who attended *Little Monkeys* this year – we look forward to welcoming new faces in the future.



### **Father's Day Breakfast 13/06/25**

We thoroughly enjoyed welcoming our wonderful Dads and Grandads into school to share breakfast and play games with us all. Thank you to all our male relatives who attended, we hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did!



### **English Workshop 18/06/25**

Thankyou to everyone who attended our English workshop, we hope you enjoyed taking part in an English lesson with your children.

### **Summer Fair**

FOLL's Summer Fair was a great success and raised an amazing £421.63. Stalls ranged from the popular tombola, the barbeque, welly throwing and much more.

A huge thank you to FOLL for organising the event and to everyone who attended.

### **18/07/25 FOLL: End of Year Party**

The weather was perfect for the children's party. The children enjoyed playing on the park equipment and using the different games and activities FOLL had organised. Thank you once again to everyone who helped organise the event.

### **Long Lane – Dates for the Diary**

Date	Event	Time	Where / Who
<b>Summer Holiday – 25/07/25 to 03/09/25</b>			
Thursday 04/09/25	INSET Day – School closed to children		Whole Partnership
Friday 05/09/25	School reopens to children	8:55am	Whole school