



Marshbrook Cares



**PENK VALLEY  
ACADEMY TRUST**

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Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2026

Dear Parents, carers,

I would like to extend a warm welcome back to our children and their families as we begin this new academic year. I have no doubt that we will have an exciting and fantastic year ahead of us. The children settled back into school really well yesterday and those children new to our school blew me away with how quickly they understood the expectation of what it is to be a Marshbrook pupil. I would like to take this opportunity at the start of the year to give you some important updates.

### **Staffing**

Some parents will be aware that Mrs. Murray is on a temporary contract covering Miss Browning's maternity leave until December. I am really pleased to share that we have been able to appoint Mrs. Murray on a permanent contract so that she will continue as part of the team here at Marshbrook.

From January 2027, Miss Browning will return to teach our Reception class. Mrs. Caddick and Mrs. Murray will job share in Year 1. Mrs. Caddick will work Monday – Wednesday with Mrs. Murray working Wednesday – Friday. As part of this staffing arrangement, Mrs. Murray will also cover Miss Browning's planning time on a Wednesday morning in Reception Class. Miss Browning will continue to come into school regularly during the Autumn Term to ensure the transition in teachers is smooth for the children in Reception.

### **Curriculum**

The way we deliver our Maths Curriculum has changed this year. Previously the school was using Power Maths to deliver the Maths Curriculum, however we will now be using White Rose supplemented by other Maths resources – staff will have more freedom to plan exciting and engaging Maths lessons for your children. One of the biggest differences for the children will be that they will now have Maths Books to complete their work in, rather than the Power Maths Textbooks.

Due to feedback from children and families and taking into account staff workload and our capacity in school, we have taken the decision to reduce some of the home learning expected of the children.



- Triple M booklets for Maths will no longer be an expectation to complete, and they will not be tested in school. Children will have short daily fluency lessons in school to support their number fluency.
- Home spelling books will also not longer be an expectation. Children will be given one set of weekly spellings that will be expected to be practiced at home, and they will be tested on these in their classes at the end of the week.

Clarity on our Homework Expectation will be shared in the next few weeks along with important dates for our Autumn Term.

### **First Aid Procedures**

Children in Reception to Year 4 will no longer receive a first aid slip if they have received first aid in school. We are moving to a digital first aid log in school. Instead of a first aid slip, parents will receive a phone call or dojo message explaining if your child has had an accident and received first aid. Nursery children will continue to receive first aid slips.

Benedicts Law – There are now whole school allergy requirements which schools must abide by. I want to reassure parents that Marshbrook has ensured:

- All staff have had the appropriate allergy and anaphylaxis training.
- We have Emergency adrenaline auto-injectors (EpiPens or equivalent) on site.
- We have an up-to-date allergy/anaphylaxis policy published on our school website
- A designated Allergy Lead (Miss Gould)

These requirements are embedded within schools' statutory responsibilities and are an important aspect of pupil safety and safeguarding.

If you have any updated medical or allergy information for your child, please contact the school office.

A reminder that if you have any safeguarding concerns, please speak to either Mr Morgan (DSL) or Miss Gould/Mrs Griffiths (DDSL).

### **Behaviour**

We have 3 rules in school that we ask the children to follow, these are:

- Be Ready
- Be Respectful
- Be Safe

We are ensuring that through positive reinforcement this language is used regularly, you may also find that your child is awarded dojo points for demonstrating these rules.



## Extra-Curricular Clubs

These will start next week, please see the information below on how to book on these clubs. Sadly, due to staffing, the Tech Tigers club will now be in the second part of the Autumn Term not this half term.

| Day      | Times          | Club                                  | Year Groups  | How to Book                                                                     |
|----------|----------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Monday   | 3:15 – 4:15 pm | Football<br>Teach Sports              | All          | See attached Flyer                                                              |
| Monday   | 3:15 – 4:15 pm | Art<br>Miss Gould/<br>Mrs Murray      | Year 3 - 4   | <a href="#">Art Club – Fill out form</a><br>20 places – first come first served |
| Tuesday  | 3:15 – 4:00 pm | Multi Sports<br>Teach Sports          | Rec – Year 1 | See attached Flyer                                                              |
| Tuesday  | 3:15 – 4:00 pm | Choir<br>Miss Russell/<br>Mrs Maughan | Year 3 - 4   | Information to be shared via class dojo                                         |
| Thursday | 3:15 – 4:00 pm | Multi Sports<br>Teach Sports          | Year 2 - 4   | See attached Flyer                                                              |
| Friday   | 3:15 – 4:00 pm | Dance<br>Mr Bishop                    | Year 3 – 4   | Parent Pay                                                                      |

If you have any further questions or would like to discuss anything in this letter, please contact the school office to arrange a meeting with myself.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Morgan



# MARSHBROOK AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

PROVIDED BY TEACH SPORTS

| FOOTBALL<br>WHOLE SCHOOL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | MULTI-SPORTS<br>RECEPTION & YEAR 1                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | MULTI-SPORTS<br>YEARS 2, 3 & 4                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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|  <b>START DATE:</b><br>Monday 7th Sep<br><b>END DATE:</b><br>Monday 19th Oct<br> <b>TIME:</b><br>3:15pm – 4:15pm<br> <b>PRICE:</b><br>£35 (7 Sessions) |  <b>START DATE:</b><br>Tuesday 8th Sep<br><b>END DATE:</b><br>Tuesday 20th Oct<br> <b>TIME:</b><br>3:15pm – 4:00pm<br> <b>PRICE:</b><br>£28 (7 Sessions) |  <b>START DATE:</b><br>Thursday 10th Sep<br><b>END DATE:</b><br>Thursday 22nd Oct<br> <b>TIME:</b><br>3:15pm – 4:00pm<br> <b>PRICE:</b><br>£28 (7 Sessions) |

Teach Sports will be running a series of after school football sessions and Multisports, the sessions will differ throughout the term with children partaking in a variety of skills.

## MULTISPORT TIMETABLE:

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| <br><b>WEEK 1:</b><br>Cricket | <br><b>WEEK 2:</b><br>Dodgeball | <br><b>WEEK 3:</b><br>Hockey | <br><b>WEEK 4:</b><br>Tag Rugby | <br><b>WEEK 5:</b><br>Multi Fitness | <br><b>WEEK 6:</b><br>Futsal | <br><b>WEEK 7:</b><br>Handball |
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### SUMMARY OF THE COURSES:



All children are catered for, regardless of their ability. (Girls & Boys)



The children will be coached by F.A and NGB Qualified coaches- all of which are fully DBS checked.



Both indoor and outdoor facilities are available.

### TO BOOK ONTO ANY OF OUR MARSHBROOK COURSES



PLEASE SCAN THE QR CODE OR FOLLOW THE LINK:

<https://teach-sports.classforkids.io>

(You will need to create an account before)

### ANY PROBLEMS WITH THE BOOKING SYSTEM?



07530868512



[teachsports@outlook.com](mailto:teachsports@outlook.com)

**PAYMENT FOR CLUBS CANNOT BE MADE VIA THE PLATFORM, ONLY PAID VIA BACS**

### PAYMENT DETAILS FOR CLUBS



**SORT CODE:**  
20-08-64

**ACCOUNT NUMBER:**  
13212254

**ACCOUNT NAME:**  
Teach Sports

**REFERENCE:**  
Childs Name

