

**Marton Primary
Academy and Nursery**
BRIGHT FUTURES EDUCATIONAL TRUST

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Dogs

Just a reminder that the only dogs allowed on site are our school dogs Marty and Murphy and guide dogs. We do have a parent who has a guide dog in training which is allowed on the school grounds. The guide dog in training is called Unity and we are encouraging the children not to approach Unity while she is in training.

Frequently Asked Questions

What should I do if my child develops COVID-19 symptoms?

The main symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- new continuous cough and/or
- fever (temperature of 37.8°C or higher)
- loss of or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

If your child develops any of these symptoms, you must arrange for them to have a PCR test as soon as possible. A PCR test can be arranged via the NHS UK (www.nhs.uk) website or by contacting NHS 119 via telephone if you do not have internet access.

Your child should self-isolate immediately and they should not attend school.

Please contact the school by phone to inform us your child has COVID-19 symptoms, and you are awaiting a COVID-19 test.

What should I do if my child has COVID-19 confirmed by PCR test?

Anyone with COVID-19 confirmed by PCR test should self-isolate until the latest of:

- 10 days after the onset of their symptoms, or
- 10 days after their test day if they are asymptomatic

Self-isolation means your child should not go to school, attend any out of school activities or visit a friend's house. They should not visit any public places, use public transport or go out to exercise. You should not have visitors into the home except for those providing essential care.

Please contact the school by phone and inform us your child has COVID-19 confirmed by PCR test. It is really important you let us know if your child has confirmed COVID-19 so we can monitor the number of children with COVID-19 across the school.

What should I do if my child is a contact of someone with COVID-19 confirmed by PCR test?

If your child is aged under 18 years and 6 months and does not have any symptoms of COVID-19 (high temperature, new continuous cough, loss of or change in, normal sense of taste or smell) they do not have to self-isolate as a contact of COVID-19.

They are advised to have a PCR test unless they have had a positive PCR test in the last 90 days.

Children aged 5 and under are not advised to take a PCR test unless the confirmed case is someone in their own household.

What should I do if my child has a positive result on a lateral flow device test?

If your child has a positive result on a lateral flow device test, they should self-isolate immediately and you should arrange a PCR test as soon as possible.

Other members of the household do not need to self-isolate whilst you await the PCR test result if they do not have symptoms and are aged under 18 years and 6 months or are fully vaccinated.



Thank you to all the children who entered their stamp design. Marton is part of a new Guinness World Record! Unfortunately, none of our children were shortlisted for the next stage but I'm sure you will appreciate that the standard was incredibly high. We are delighted to announce details of the 120 children who have made it to the regional finalist stage of the Heroes Stamp Design Competition. An incredible 606,049 entries were received from children across the UK, with an amazing 7,479 schools taking part. Congratulations to all 606,049 children who entered, as their designs contributed towards a GUINNESS WORLD RECORD title for the largest postage stamp design competition.



Reception Gazette Photographs



On Thursday, 30th September the Gazette will be coming into school to take a photograph of our reception children which will appear in the local newspaper.



Blackpool Teaching Hospitals have enhanced the consent process by transforming a previously paper process into a streamlined electronic form accessible anywhere. Previously receiving consent for a child's vaccine was reliant on school staff handing the paper forms out and getting them home to their parents/guardians, increasing the potential for the form being lost. Now the child's school will email or text the link to the consent form (also unique school code) to the parents/guardians so that they can easily and quickly complete the consent form via mobile device, tablet or computer. This will save parent/carers time and free up school staff time. Once your child has been vaccinated you will also be notified by text ensuring that you are up to date with the child's vaccinations. The vaccination team will be in school in October.

Filling out the Consent Form:

You will be required to provide your Child's NHS number. Please click the following link if you do not know your child's NHS number: [Link](#)

1. Please click the following link to access the online consent form: [Link](#)
2. Please quote the unique school code. The code for your school is **BP141867**



We now have spaces available for two and three year olds in our Marton Minis. If you or someone you know requires a place please contact Mrs Thorpe as soon as possible.



Please avoid parking on the yellow zigzag lines outside school. This week some parents have found it difficult driving around the turning circle due to parked cars being illegally parked. Safety is paramount and we ask that all parents are vigilant when parking, ensuring that the safety of our school community is not jeopardised. Please remember that the Coop are kindly letting parents park in their car park. Can we also kindly remind you not to park on Mooreview Court as this is private parking for residence only.



Congratulations

Star

Marton Suite – Gustav
Reception - Aleah
1A Tommie
1B Molly
2A Henry
3A Joshua
4A Poppy
5A Luke
5B Scarlett
6A Corey
6B Laila

Doobee

1A Harriette
1B Jaxon
2A Elizabeth
3A Hannah
4A Reece
5A Corey
5B Pauline
6A Bella
6B Reagan

Learning Power

1A Nikki
1B Harley-Rae
2A Haniel
3A Briega and Esmae
4A Kathleen
5A Everybody in 5A
5B Archie, Lexi and Hannah
6A Oliver
6B Shajan

Words of the Week

Rec real and miss

Year One precious and complete

Year Two blizzard and final

Year Three travel and base

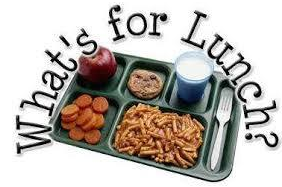
Year Four amend and jagged

Year Five halted and strive

Year Six evade and obsolete



Free School Meals



Schools receive a substantial sum of money for **every child** entitled to free school meals in their budget and this money is spent directly on supporting children's learning. However, for schools to receive this additional money, children who are entitled to free school meals **MUST** be registered before the **Schools' National Data Count** on 1st October 2021.

To enable our school to receive all the money we can to support our children's learning, we **urge you to register** as soon as possible if your child is entitled to free school meals, **even** if you want them to have a packed lunch or are in receipt of Universal Infant Free School Meals.

Who is eligible?

Your child/children may be eligible to receive free school meals if you are in receipt of **any** of the following:

- Income Support
- Income- based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part V1 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on-paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.
- Universal Credit

Please note if you are in receipt of Housing Benefit / Council Tax Benefit you may not have to fill in a form for Free School Meals. However, if you are unsure please ring the Assessment Team for advice on **01253 478940** or email **fsm@blackpool.gov.uk**

How do I apply for Free School Meals?

The application form can be completed online at www.blackpool.gov.uk. If you don't have access to the internet you are more than welcome to use school facilities, simply call at the school office to arrange an appropriate time. Alternatively, telephone the Assessment Team on **01253 478940** if you would prefer a paper form to be forwarded in the post.

What information do I need to submit when I apply for free school meals?

If you are in receipt of Income Support, Income Based Job Seekers Allowance, Guarantee Pension Credits or Income Related Employment Support Allowance you may need to provide a copy of your latest letter of entitlement. If you receive Child Tax Credits you may need to provide a copy of **ALL** of the pages from your latest entitlement letter. You will be informed if this information is needed when you phone.

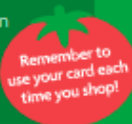
Morrisons Its Good to Grow

We are now all signed up for you to be able to collect tokens from Morrison's for us to receive free gardening equipment. Please download the Morrison's app and sign up. If you have any problems, please let me know. Thank you to the parents that have already signed up and have started collecting tokens.

Help us get FREE gardening equipment for our school

To take part, join MyMorrison's today and swipe each time you shop to collect **Grow Tokens**. One token for every £10 you spend between Monday 6th September and Sunday 24th October.

How do I get started?

- 1 Sign up to MyMorrison's today. Simply go to mymorrison.com or download the MyMorrison's app
- 2 Once registered you can collect **Grow Tokens** for any shopping you do online or in store 
- 3 On your first visit to MyMorrison's you'll be asked to select the school you'd like to donate your **Grow Tokens** to
- 4 Then after each shop log onto your MyMorrison's account and donate



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Dates for the Diary



Thursday, 30th September

Reception Class Photo

Wednesday 20th October

Parents' Evening

Thursday, 21st October 2021

School Closed for Half Term

Monday, 1st November 2021

School Re-opens

Thank you
Mrs Alice Coyle
Head of School

Mrs Ruth Coupe
Executive Principal