

25th November 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

Class Awards

Awards were given to the following children this week:

Butterflies – Clementine for working hard to sound out and blend words. William for trying hard to form his letters correctly.

Owls – Freddie for doing some fantastic maths independently, finding one more and one less. Ben for remembering to put his hand up to answer questions – well done!

Dragons – Ben and Emily for working really hard in maths this week, using multiplication and division knowledge to solve tricky word problems. George for thinking of excellent silly questions and remembering a question mark at the end. Well done!

Rabbits – William for excellent understanding and working really hard in Topic this week. Kaleb for challenging himself in telling the time in maths this week.

Hedgehogs – Matilda-May for challenging herself in maths. Hailey for moving up in 'Big Maths Beat That' by using her growth mindset.

Foxes – Jacob for fabulous multiplication skills this week. Fynlay, Marley, Ben, Max, Harry R, William T, William K, Harry H and Zachary for fabulous football yesterday, winning 13-0.

Eagles – The whole of the Eagle Class for working hard throughout all of our six first practice SATs this week.

Please see a list attached with dates for your calendar.

All dates are subject to change.

Collective Worship

We are continuing with the theme of "Prayer" with a focus on "Faith".

"So I tell you to ask for things in prayer. And if you believe that you have received those things, then they will be yours."

Mark 11:24

Shoe Box Appeal – Thank You

Thank you for all the beautifully decorated and filled shoe boxes and generous gifts you donated to the Operation Christmas Child appeal. All the donations have now left Marsh Gibbon and are on their way to offer some festive cheer to under privileged children around the world. Together we have contributed towards a record 370 shoe boxes being sent from Marsh Gibbon and the local community. Thank you for your continued support.

Christmas Tea for Senior Residents

We will be holding a Christmas Tea here at School, for Senior Residents of Marsh Gibbon on Friday 16th December, from 2pm. If you know of anyone who would like to attend, please do let them know.

Sunday at 4

Sunday 27 November 4pm-5.30pm at Grendon Underwood Village Hall

Sunday at 4 is for children of primary school age. This month we are thinking about Advent, the time we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus at Christmas. There will be Christmas craft activities with games, Bible Story, music, prayer and refreshments. Newcomers are always welcome to come along and see what we get up to!

It helps our planning if you can let us know if your children hope to attend.

With best wishes

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Fresh Start Hot Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 14 December

A reminder that if you would like your child to have a Hot Christmas Lunch you will need to log into Meal Manager and order before 6 December.

If you need ID and Passwords or require help to order, please contact Fresh Start directly - 01280 848261 or support@freshstartcatering.uk

School Governors

Our School Governors work very hard for your children and have made a remarkable difference to our School in the time I have been Head teacher. They are involved in spending decisions; agreeing a budget, expanding the school and appointing staff as well as a host of other important things. One very important area they are responsible for is drafting and monitoring our School Development Plan. Our School Development Plan is a very important document that sets priorities for the School over the next three years. Please look on our website for further information about the role of a Governor and consider whether you could support our School in this way.

After School Clubs

A reminder that there will be no after school clubs week commencing 19th December 2016. After School Clubs for next half term will begin from week commencing 9th January 2017. Details on clubs will be sent out soon.

Pick-up time

To avoid any accidents please do not allow your children to use our new ramp and steps as a play area. You may have noticed that I have been standing out there at pick-up time, this is because I have witnessed children running up the ramp and diving off the end or performing similar dangerous acts. Allowing your children to do this could cause an accident.

Please also don't allow children to use the playground equipment at this time. We are required to have a member of staff supervise children and restrict the number of children on the equipment at any one time. We can't enforce this at the end of the day, so must insist that children do not play on it at this time

Both of the above applies to pre-school children also. I know it sometimes feels like I am always spoiling children's fun, but keeping them safe and free from harm is paramount.

The Bicester Schools Football League Match Report 24th November 2016 -Marsh Gibbon v. Charlton on Otmoor

Marsh Gibbon's Year 5 and 6 football team took on Charlton on Otmoor School. Every single one of us played extremely well, because of this we won 13-0.

Lots of brilliant goals were scored. 9 players took part – Max, Ben, William T, William K, Harry R, Harry H, Fynlay, Marley and Zachary.

By Max, Foxes Class

[If you know anyone/company who could sponsor either our home, away or both of our school football kits, which is used for many different matches/tournaments/competitions throughout the year, please let us know!](#)

