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Marsh Gibbon Church of England School

Headteacher: Mrs Julie Hickey



17th January 2014

Dear Parents

Class Assemblies this term are as follows:

Butterflies – 14th March

Owls – 7th February

Dragons – 28th February

Rabbits – 28th March

Hedgehogs – 7th March

Class Awards

The following children received awards this week:

Butterflies: Cian Ross for being very kind and caring towards our new Butterfly, helping him to find toys and explore the Butterfly classroom. William Hands for working exceptionally hard during phonics and now moving onto reading books! Well done.

Owls: Francisco Howitt for great effort in writing and using his finger spacer effectively. Johnny Stratton for fantastic instructions. Johnny included a heading, numbering and bossy words!

Dragons: Dorina Vikor-Barcza for beautiful joined up writing which was very tidy, great job! William Kent for working independently in numeracy. William completed the work set for him and went on to complete the challenge work too. Well done William.

Rabbits: James White for singing every word beautifully and clearly at the Young Voices. Theo Biggs for the energy he put into every action at the Young Voices concert.

Hedgehogs: George Kent for fantastic independent writing in literacy. Peter Slingsby for great character interpretation in role playing and drama.

Inset Day

Please be aware that school is closed on Friday January 24th as we have an Inset day.

Food Containers and Plates

Any containers from the Christmas party not collected today will be disposed of on Monday 20th January 2014.

Young Voices

I must give a special mention to the children who went to Birmingham to take part in 'Young Voices'. For me it was one of those occasions that you remember all your life and not least because the children were 'phenomenal'. It was a long day and we got back very late but behaviour was impeccable and they performed beautifully. The children kept going – singing, dancing and actions during an extensive rehearsal and then the performance. We haven't had very much feedback from the parents who attended but I hope it was equally special for them. Thank you to the staff who gave up their time to make this possible, especially Mrs Moncrieff, who taught the children so well and made this event possible.

Health and Safety

One of the conditions of us having the climbing equipment in the playground is that children are only allowed to use it supervised by staff. Please don't allow your children, including pre-school children to use the equipment after school. I know it is very tempting but please don't allow your child to scoot down the slope from the 'bike shed'. With about 100 children, siblings and parents leaving via the car park it is an accident waiting to happen.





Christingle Service

This year's Christingle service will take place at St Mary's Church on Sunday 2nd February at 9.30am. More details will follow nearer the time but please put the date in your diary.

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club is now up and running and numbers are gradually increasing. Parents can bring their child/children to school from 8am, the cost is £3 per session which includes breakfast (cereal, toast and a drink). If you would like to use this service please let us know indicating which days you would like your child to attend. When working out your costs and requirements, please remember the inset day on Fri 24th Jan. We would prefer half-termly payments but if you wish to pay weekly we can accommodate that too.

Parents Evenings

Parents evenings will be on Wednesday 12th and Thursday 13th February from 3.30pm – 7pm. A separate letter and appointment request will be sent out nearer the date.

Uniform

We have a number of school fleeces which have been reduced from £17 to £5. They are lovely and warm on these colder days and can be worn in class instead of/ with a jumper/sweatshirt. We also have a few reversible coats which have been reduced from £20 to £10. Please see Mrs Andrews if you would like to purchase one.

After School Clubs

There are still places available for the after school clubs. If you would like a place for your child, please contact Mrs Andrews in the office.

Clubs for this Term

Mon - Until 10/2/14	German Games	Y2, 3 & 4 EY, Y1 & 2	Miss Davison Mr Davison
Tues Until 11/2/14	Music ICT	Y2, 3 & 4 - 3 & 4 will be given priority EY, Y1 & 2	Mrs Moncrieff Mr Evans & Mr Davison
Weds Until 12/2/14	Hockey skills	Y1 –Y4	Mr Davison

Dates for this term

Friday 24th Jan – INSET Day – NO SCHOOL

Thursday 30th Jan – Governors meeting

Sunday 2nd Feb – Christingle Service at St Mary's Church, 9.30am

Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th Feb – Parents Evenings

Friday 14th Feb – PTA Hot Lunch, Break up for half term, Valentine's Disco after school

Monday 24th Feb – Back to school