



*Opportunities for all; Foundations for life*

## Marsh Gibbon Church of England School

Headteacher: Mrs Julie Hickey



**14<sup>th</sup> March 2014**

**Dear Parents**

**Class Assemblies this term are as follows:**

**Rabbits – 28<sup>th</sup> March**

Well done to Butterfly class for their very entertaining assembly all about various forms of transport.

**Class Awards**

The following children received awards this week;

**Butterflies:** Oscar Prowton for consistently setting a great example of carpet manners to his friends. Well done Oscar! Alexa Coleman for showing great care and concern for all the children in Butterfly class. Alexa always tries to ensure her friends are safe and happy. Well done Alexa!

**Owls:** 3 Owls this week! Harry Byrne, Charlie Weedon and Amelie White for wonderful descriptive writing on aliens. All three have been using their writing targets to help them and all have made great progress in their writing as a result.

**Dragons:** Rhianne Pullen for challenging herself in numeracy and succeeding. Rhianne works hard in all subjects and is an asset to the Dragon Class. William Lavin for a lovely contribution to our R.E./Geography discussion, also his writing in his book which developed his ideas further.

**Rabbits:**

**Hedgehogs:** Due to the Hedgitts trip to Roald Dahl Children's Gallery today there were no awards in assembly this week. We will announce the names of this week's awards in next week's newsletter.

**Thank You to Mr Turbe**

We would like to thank Mr Turbe (Owl class parent) for his kind donation of power bots

which the children will use in either DT or during our Science Week.

**Rag Bag**

The Rag Bag bin is getting pretty full again. We would like to empty the bin on **Weds 19<sup>th</sup> March** (weather permitting) at the start of the school day. We should be most grateful if some parents would be kind enough to help us with this. More hands make light work!

**Whole School Photos**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March is class photo day. Please ensure your child is looking their smartest for this special day. Photos will be taken in the morning!

**Sport Relief – 21<sup>st</sup> March**

The whole school will 'Wake & Shake' on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March in aid of Sport Relief. If you would like to send in a donation please do. We will not be dressing up as it is school photos!

**Funding for Year 5 & 6 Extension**

A meeting will take place on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March, at the start of the school day, for class reps and anyone who wishes to attend to discuss raising funds for the extension. If you have any ideas on how we can do this, please contact your class rep or come along to the meeting.

**Whole School Money Week**

We will be running a money week during the week commencing 24<sup>th</sup> March. There will be a lot of activities for the children during the week. They will be looking at ways to make, save and spend money! School have teamed up with Barclays Bank in Bicester who are sending some staff to us for a morning to present their Money Skills activities.





### **Maintenance Day**

Peter Ferens, our Governor in charge of Maintenance Day, would like to remind parents of the date – Sat 10<sup>th</sup> May, for the morning. The more people we have, the more odd jobs can be completed. It is also our main day for getting the pool area ready for the summer term's swimming. Please put the date in your diary and try to come along and help, even if it's only for an hour. Doughnuts and tea/coffee will be available to all our volunteers.

### **Jigsaw**

We have been sent a lovely 1000 piece jigsaw from the makers Ravensburger. The Breakfast Club have decided they would like to do the puzzle and need a jigsaw mat/tray that can be rolled up when not in use. Does anyone have such a mat that they no longer require and could donate to school?

### **Donations**

One of our parents has very kindly offered to make a regular donation (monthly) to the school to, and I quote, 'help with materials and consumables'. As a small school our funding is extremely limited and we have to be very frugal. We strive to ensure that staffing levels, resources etc are always available and of the very best quality. If any

parent/relative also wished to make such a generous gesture, please do get in touch with the office and we can make arrangements accordingly.

### **Breakfast Club**

Children can be brought to school from 8am, it is £3 per session, this includes breakfast (cereal, toast and a drink). We are now in the resources room, please come into school through the side gate.

### **Sainsbury's Vouchers**

Don't forget we are collecting the vouchers for new equipment. Please do ask for the vouchers when shopping in Sainsburys. Please also remind Grandparents and other relatives that their vouchers will help too!

### **Clubs This Term**

All clubs are open to all year groups & will run until Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr:

**Monday** – Relax Kids – Jean Ramsey

**Tuesday** – ICT/DT – Mr Davison & Mr Evans  
the DT will be construction equipment eg; Lego and children will have a choice of that or computer generated design.

**Wednesday** – Badminton skills – Mr Davison

### **Dates for this term**

**Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Mar** – Whole School Photos

**Week commencing 24<sup>th</sup> Mar** – School Money Week

**Sun 30<sup>th</sup> Mar** – Mothering Sunday Service at St Mary's Church

**Week commencing 31<sup>st</sup> Mar** – Last week for after school clubs

**Fri 4<sup>th</sup> Apr** – PTA Hot Lunch, Break up for Easter

**Tues 22<sup>nd</sup> Apr** – Inset Day **No School**

**Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr** – Back to school

**Sun 27<sup>th</sup> Apr** – St George's Day Service at St Mary's Church