

# Marsh Gibbon CE Primary School Newsletter

How can I say "I can't" when the Bible says: 'I can do everything through him who gives me strength.'  
Philippians 4:13

Once again we have had a very busy and productive week with both Owl Class and Dragon Class going on a school trip. I was very pleased when it was confirmed that extended care will definitely go ahead next academic year. Not only will this provide a vital service for those who need it, but it also means that all children will benefit from a greater variety of clubs that will run after school. My highlight was seeing the fun and enthusiasm the children showed when they began their swimming sessions this week. Next week I look forward to the official opening of Trudi's Library on Wednesday, and the Prayer Space which will take place throughout the week.



## Class Awards

Well done to you all!

## Swimming

It was great to see the children in the pool this week – lots of smiling faces!



## Outdoor Learning

The Owls had a fantastic trip to the woods on Wednesday this week! Trees were climbed, marshmallows were roasted, games were played, leaves were identified and printed, and the woodlands explored! A great day was had by all, and the sunshine was a real bonus!

### Dragon Class Trip

On Wednesday, Dragon Class visited the Natural History Museum in Tring. They had a wonderful time learning about the different animals and the habitats to which they are suited, focusing on their new topic of Africa. The children looked carefully at some of the animals and sketched the patterns they could see with their markings. They also completed a grouping and sorting activity with Nigel, thinking about the groups the animals belonged to and why. Everyone really enjoyed our day and the children's behaviour was excellent throughout.

### Trudi's Library

As part of our celebrations for the opening of Trudi's library, next Wednesday we are excited to welcome James Carter, a poet, to our school for a day of lively and engaging poetry performances and workshops which will inspire, engage and encourage children in their creative writing. At the end of the day, you are welcome to visit the library with your child, purchase a book from James Carter and also buy a red themed cake with the money raised going to the British Heart Foundation. More information can be found on the school website.

### Prayer Spaces

Next week we will be holding our annual Prayer Spaces meetings. These short sessions (approximately 30 minutes per group) will give the children, whether they have a faith or not, an opportunity to explore life questions, spirituality and faith in a safe and creative way. The volunteers running this year's Prayer Spaces are well known to the children as they are mainly parents and grandparents of our children and most attend our local church.

### Extended Care

From September, S4A will have an after school club running every day until 6pm. Please see the link below for timings, costings and what event will be running when.

<https://s4asports.co.uk/marsh-gibbon/>

### Marsh Gibbon Tennis Club

Marsh Gibbon Tennis Club invites you to their Open Day on **Sunday 9th June from 2.00pm - 5pm.**

Everyone is welcome and there will be free tennis and mini tennis for children and adults. There will also be demonstration coaching sessions with the club coach, a ball machine, racket stringing, and refreshments. You will receive a discount for family/adult membership when taken up on the day.

### Sunday at 4

Sunday 9 June 4pm-5.30pm at Charndon Community Centre

Sunday at 4 is for children of primary school age. We meet for fun, games, Bible stories, craft activities, music, prayer and refreshments. This month we'll be hearing about Moses and our activities will include bread-tasting, boats and bushes! 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.

Next month's meeting is on Sunday 7 July at Grendon Village Hall.

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### Key Dates

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Year 1 Phonic Assessment Week

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Prayer Spaces Week

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Opening of Trudi's Library

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June – Year 6 Residential

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June – New Parents' Evening 6pm – 7pm

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July – PTA Pig Roast

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Morning

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Reserve Sports Morning

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July – Fox Class & Eagle Class Production

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Leavers' Assembly

Please ensure you check the website calendar regularly as all dates can be found here.

<https://www.marshgibbon.bucks.sch.uk/calendar.html>