

Much Marcle News

24th October 2008

School Council Elections

Yesterday the whole school went election crazy! Every child and every member of staff voted for the candidates. Those children who were elected were:

Year 2	Sarah Admans
Year 3	Poppy Park
Year 4	Rose Walters
Year 5	Imogen Massey
Year 6	Lucy Scull

The candidates were welcomed into their roles in front of the whole school. The cheering was so loud that the reception children had their hands on their ears! I am certain that this year's council will work together for the benefit of everyone in school.

Website

While the elections were progressing, the "old" school council judged the competition for the staff website. We had a difficult task as the quality of the entries was so high. Rory, Lucy, Rose and Poppy and myself spent a great deal of time considering the entries. We are pleased to announce that the following children's work has been chosen:

Mrs Gleaves and	
Mrs Jenkins	Adelayde Vine
Mrs Smith	Mollie Heath
Mrs Tattum	Louisa Walker
Miss Rider	Imogen Massey
Mrs Stevens	Lucinda Peck
Mr Greaves	Ed Taylor
Mrs Allard	Abi Leigh
Mrs Harrison and	
Mrs Park	Imogen Delafield

Their pictures will be appearing on the staff page of our new website which goes live on December 12th.

Football and Netball

The football and netball teams played against Ledbury and Colwall Primary Schools at Ledbury on Tuesday 14th October. The results were as follows:

Football:

Ledbury 0 Much Marcle 0
Colwall 1 Much Marcle 2

Netball:

Ledbury 3 Much Marcle 4
Colwall 2 Much Marcle 1

As we would expect, our children played their best and behaved impeccably. Thank you to Mrs Park and Mr Greaves for their time and support of the teams.

Harvest Festival

Thank you to everybody for your contributions to the Harvest Festival. I felt it was a particularly enjoyable event this year. I do hope you enjoyed it too. Your gifts were very well received at the Women's Refuge in Hereford.

Dance

Suzi Anderson has been working with Class 3 and 4 this half term. The children and staff have really enjoyed learning Salsa and Bollywood dancing. I am sure we will be repeating this experience in the future.

Hot Lunches

Thank you to those parents who have made suggestions about new suppliers for our hot lunches. The governors have a contact list and I am hopeful that we will have hot lunches in January.

Two parents have approached me to cook our Christmas lunch as this is a very special event for all of the children. I am really grateful to them and I will keep you informed about progress.

Crucial Crew

The Year 6 children attended their health, safety and first aid training event at Bosbury on October 17th. They had a very exciting time which included a real first aid emergency. Something you really can't plan for. I am sure they are looking forward to the next session in the spring term.

Operation Christmas Child

A big thank you to the three children who have already got their Christmas boxes into school. They each have had five house points. These boxes are sometimes the only Christmas present the children get. We look forward to seeing how many gifts we can send.

European Teachers

The European teachers will be visiting Much Marcle School on Monday November 10th. They will be working with the staff and visiting places of interest around the county during that week. It is the governors' intention to have a skittles event at The Royal Oak on Wednesday 12th November. Tickets will be £5. If you would like to join us for this event please return the attached slip before Wednesday 5th November.

Welcome

We have had two new families join our school this half term. Robert and Elizabeth Salusbury have joined year 6 and year 3. They have settled in very well. Wojciech and Anna Rudnik have joined year 2 and year R and we have all learned some Polish words to talk with them.

Class 3 Teacher

We are currently advertising for a Class 3 Teacher to start in the spring term. We have already had twenty-three requests for an application pack. I am certain we will be able to appoint exactly the right teacher for the children and our school. The closing date for applications is November 18th and we will be interviewing after that date.

Miss Pitman has agreed to teach Class 3 during the spring term should the successful applicant be unable to take up their post until the second half of the spring term.

The staff and I hope you enjoy half term with your children. We look forward to seeing everyone on 3rd November.

Important Dates

November

- 3rd Return to school
- 4th Prospective Class 3 teachers to view school
- 5th Mrs Park first aid refresher training
- 6th KS1 visiting Awnells Farm & Westons
- 7th Class 3 visit Carlyeon **EARLY DEPARTURE 8.45AM**
- 10th Europeans visiting school
- 11th ACTS II
- 12th Skittle Evening at Royal Oak
- 14th **Collection Date for Christmas Boxes**
- 18th Closing date for Class 3 Teacher applications
- 25th Boys Football tournament at John Masfield High School
- 28th Book Fair in school