

Much More News

23rd March 2010

Dear Parents

With a real sense of spring in the air it is difficult to recall the snow which was such a feature of the beginning of this term. Thank you to all those families who sent in their snow pictures. We have all admired your snow sculptures. Despite the bad weather we managed to catch up with all our football and netball fixtures and as you will read further on we have had some successes.

ArtsMark

When ever we have visitors in school they are always complimentary about our art work. Because we recognise the importance and the quality of all our work in the creative arts we have applied for an arts mark award. The examiner came into school last Monday. She was very impressed with every thing she saw. Now we must wait for the final judgement which we will know in June.

Awnells Farm

Our partnership with Awnells Farm provides many opportunities for each class to experience and study a farm. This year class one have been invited to cultivate their own crops. They will visit the farm regularly over the coming weeks to plant tend and harvest their vegetables. We are very fortunate to have this 'out door classroom'.

Phonics Evening

The phonics evening arranged by Mrs Smith was a great success. Dawn Harwood one of the LA's literacy consultants explained very clearly the importance of teaching phonics and our approach. The parents were very interested in how to support their children at home. After some interesting practice sessions we were all convinced that any one who was struggling should be guided by their children!

Thank you to all those parents and the staff who came to support the evening and to Mrs Smith who arranged everything.

World Book Day

We all had a great deal of fun on world book day.

Every family makes a superb effort and it is very difficult to choose a favourite. This year our winners were

Year 6	Pippa Wollen
Year 5	Rose Walters
Year 4	Poppy Park
Year 3	Liberty Smith
Year 2	Merryn Jordan
Year 1	Ben Edwards
Reception	Bailey Smith

You can see their photographs on our web site.

When you come into school for the book fair all the children's photographs

are displayed on the notice board next to the books.

I know many parents particularly enjoy seeing the staff dressed as a favourite character. This year for the first time the children got to vote for the staff. Mrs Stevens who always looks unrecognisable won the children's vote as the Mad Hatter.

Swimming Triumph

Mrs Park, together with Janey Cotton, organised a team of swimmers to represent the school in the Herefordshire Primary Schools Swimming Gala on Saturday March 20th. The team won:

1 Gold (Joe Cotton 50m Backstroke)

4 Silver (Joe Cotton 50m Fly, Millie Park 50m Freestyle, Pippa Wollen 50m Backstroke, Poppy Park 25m Freestyle)

2 Bronze (Poppy Park 25m Fly, Girls Medley Relay Team (Millie, Pippa, Rose, Poppy). Combined with the efforts of Joel, Imogen, Oliver, Lawrence, Roma, Jessie and Evie, the team also won Best Small School Award.

Pyramid Prom

Our choir sang beautifully at John Masfield High School last night. They performed along with children from each of the pyramid primary schools.

This was an ideal opportunity to practise for their next performance at the Hereford Music Festival.

Hereford Music Festival

Pippa Wollen and Rose Walters were highly commended for their flute duet

on Sunday 21st March. Well done girls and thank you to their parents allowing them to perform on a Sunday after their busy day swimming the day before. You must all be exhausted!

Our choir performed today Tuesday and they were excellent. Out of 9 schools we believe our choir were in the top 3. We will ask for the adjudicators' marks to improve our performance for next year.

Football and Netball

We have had a very busy term with fixtures, results of which are listed below. On Thursday 24th March the Netball team is representing the Ledbury Cluster in the Herefordshire and Worcestershire High 5 Netball Finals at Stourport. On Friday 25th, both football and netball teams are in action at the Ledbury Cluster Football and Netball Tournament. Good luck to all taking part.

Football Matches and results

Much Marcle	8	v	Eastnor	0
Much Marcle	1	v	Ashperton	4
Much Marcle	1	v	Ledbury	0
Much Marcle	1	v	Cradley	1
Much Marcle	1	v	Colwall	1

Netball Matches and results

Much Marcle	8 v	Eastnor	3
Much Marcle	17 v	Ashperton	3
Much Marcle	16 v	Ledbury	2
Much Marcle 'B'	6 v	Ledbury 'B'	5
Much Marcle	23 v	Cradley	3
Much Marcle	1 v	Cradley	7
(Year 3/4 Teams)			
Much Marcle	11 v	Colwall	1
Much Marcle 'B'	8 v	Colwall 'B'	0

Royal Shakespeare Company

Our involvement in the RSC project has provided many opportunities for all the children. This term class three have been studying The Winters Tale. At the RSC regional festival next Tuesday March 30th they will be performing their interpretation of The Tale from the perspective of Hermione. Good luck children.

Easter Service

Our community Easter Service will be on Wednesday March 31st at 10.45am. Parents are invited into school after the service to see their children's work. The day will then continue as normal for the children.

Please note the change of time from afternoon to morning. This is because the inter schools cross country run will be in the afternoon.

Egg Hunt

Thank you to the PTA for organising an Easter egg hunt for the whole school on Thursday 1st April.

Important Dates

March

- 24th Nursery Easter event
- 25th Nursery Open Day
Netball Tournament Stourport
- 26th Football and Netball tournament
- 30th RSC regional festival day
- 31st Easter Service 10.45am

April

- 1st PTA egg hunt
Break up today

Summer term begins

April 19th at 8.55

Happy Easter to you all