

Much Marcle News

15th June 2011

Dear Parents

Sports Day POSTPONED

We have decided to succumb to the weather and postpone Sports Day. The forecast for next week looks more hopeful so Sports Day will be on Friday June 24th. Races will start at 10.00am. Everyone is invited to stay for a family picnic afterwards.

SCHOOL MEALS will now be delivered as normal for those of you who have placed an order; any cancelled meals will be reinstated.

Year 6 Cycling Proficiency

The Year 6 children recently undertook their cycling proficiency in school. This prepares children to ride with some independence by demonstrating basic riding and road safety skills. The two instructors who came into school were really impressed with the children's attitude and behaviour. They said our children were the best group they had ever worked with.

KS1 Multi Skills

On Thursday 9th June, Years 1 and 2 took part in a Multi-Skills event at John Masefield High School. The children were thrilled to come second and came back to school with a lovely trophy and certificates.

Year 5 Day at John Masefield High School

The Year 5 day spent a day at John Masefield on Wednesday 8th June. This gave them a taste of what to expect at high school, as they took part in 4 different lessons, such as Science, Drama and French during the day. The children had a very enjoyable day and they thought it was a very positive experience in preparing them for high school.

Able Student Workshops

Next week, children from years 3-5 will be taking part in Able Student Workshops at John Masefield High School. Our children will join pupils from our pyramid schools for lessons in English, Maths, Art and Science.

The Wind In The Willows

Rehearsals are now underway for our summer production. The children are all working hard to learn their lines, dances and the songs that make up this lovely play. It is a very busy time!

If any parents would like to volunteer to help with the costumes or props for the play, then please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Park at the School Office.

Rounders Club

Miss Guest and Miss Evans are extremely pleased with the commitment that has been shown to this term's Rounders Club. On Thursday afternoons, 29 children take part. The children have learnt the complex rules and have shown developing skills in fielding and batting.

Crucial Crew

On Monday 6th June, Class 4 went to Hereford Racecourse to take part in Crucial Crew. The children took part in workshops given by the Police, the Fire Service, Road Safety, amongst others. Again, someone from outside the school commented on what a pleasure our children were to work with.

Helpers in School

If you are interested in hearing readers on a regular basis please contact Mrs Park who will compile a list for September. If you have any other skill you would like to share with the staff and children contact Mrs Park.

As we discuss our work for next term staff will make every effort to include workshops run by parents into their planning.

Transport

A number of parents have mentioned the cost of transport for school trips. They have expressed their gratitude to the school and to the PTA for supporting families by paying for coaches.

As a school we are always keen to participate in pyramid, sporting, and cultural activities. We are fortunate at this time that we do not have to ask parents to drive children to venues to save on costs, as many schools have to. Thank you to the PTA and to all your families because without their support every family would face increased bills for school events and trips.

Parking at school

On Tuesday morning there were a number of cars parked on the yellow lines outside school. Please remember that the school bus needs safe access to school at the beginning and end of the day.

This is a reminder to all parents and carers about parking at school.

- Do not stop or park on the yellow zig zag
- Do not park in the drop off zone*
- Do not block our neighbours' drives.
- Show respect to other road users
- Do not embarrass your children by ignoring these rules.
- *The drop off zone is from the pedestrian gate to the first telegraph pole.

PTA Event At Hellens

We are all looking forward to the Ploughman's and Promises Auction at Hellens on July 8th. There are some very generous promises from a range of contributors. I am sure this will be an enjoyable event for everyone.

Mrs Smith

Your children may have told you that Mrs Smith had an accident in the half term holiday. She has broken her wrist and suffered some injuries to her face. The children in class two have sent her a get well card and the staff have sent her flowers. Although we have told her to take time to get well Mrs Smith hopes to be back at school next week.

Mr Szortowski

Mr Szortowski has been visiting school on Tuesday afternoons to be part of our planning for next term. He will be in school all day on Moving Up Day to meet with his new class.

Mr Szortowski plans to be here to watch a performance of Wind in the Willows in July.

Important Dates

June

- 16th Kenneth Stevens - Poet in School
- 20th Year 5/6 Kwik Cricket
- 21st KS2 Forest Schools
- 21st Able Student Workshop - JMHS
- 23rd Able Student Workshop - JMHS
- 24th Sports Day
- 27th Janden Trophy - JMHS
- 28th KS2 Forest Schools
- 30th 'Moving Up' Day
Mr Szortowski in school

July

- 1st Year 3/4 'Chance to Shine' Cricket
- 5th ACTS II Assembly
- 5th KS2 Forest Schools
- 8th PTA Promises Auction - Hellens
- 11th School Play Dress Rehearsal
- 12th KS2 Forest Schools
- 12th School Play (Evening)
- 13th School Play (Evening)
- 19th Whole School Trip to Forest of Dean
- 21st Break up for Summer Holidays