

Much Marcle News

7th March 2012

Dear Parents

Young Shakespeare

Class 4 children visited Hellens Manor to watch a Young Shakespeare production of *A Midsummer Nights Dream*. This included plenty of audience participation including singing songs and joining in with important lines from the play, which was very much enjoyed by the children.

Places of Worship

In order to develop the children's understanding of places of worship, Class 1 visited St. Bartholomew's Church and their response is below:



Class 4 visited a Mosque in Gloucester and Class 2 are due to visit a local Synagogue shortly. Each class has created a wonderful display in the school hall to show four different places of worship.

Roald Dahl Literacy Project

Class 3 have been taking part in the Roald Dahl Literacy Project. This involved a series of drama workshops led by staff from The Courtyard Theatre in Hereford with the aim of improving the children's performance skills and the quality of their writing.

The project captured the imagination and creativity of the pupils and culminated in a special performance of the children's work at the theatre, based on the story of *Fantastic Mr Fox*. Photographs of this event can be found on our website.

Football and Netball - Cradley

Unfortunately this was not a successful night for the footballers or netballers. The children showed enthusiasm and team spirit; however both Cradley teams were stronger on the night resulting in a 3-0 defeat for the footballers and a 17-3 loss for the netballers.

Football and Netball - Eastnor

This was a triumphant night for both Netball and Football. The footballers showed great team spirit which was reflected in their 4-0 victory. This was mirrored in the Netball game where the girls won by a well deserved 7-5.

Ashperton Cross Country Run

Congratulations to all of the children who took part in the event on Tuesday 28th February. It was truly a team event where all points counted towards our well deserved 3rd place.

Swimming Gala

On Saturday 3rd March 14 children represented the school at the Herefordshire Swimming Gala. 21 teams took part and Much Marcle came a well deserved 2nd place in the small school section. The children were all a credit to the school and themselves in both behaviour and effort. They came away with 2 gold, 5 silver and 1 bronze medal. It was an excellent result and a fun filled afternoon. Molly Schofield broke the 25m freestyle record, set in 2008 and Poppy Park achieved a personal best in the 50m butterfly and the 50m freestyle events.

World Book Day

This year we celebrated World Book Day with an animal theme. All the children and staff dressed up as animals from stories. Everyone enjoyed sharing their books and animal characters with each other and book vouchers were given out as prizes for the most creative costumes.

Our prize winners are below:



Parents Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended our parents evening this week. Interim reports including your child's new targets for the summer term will be sent home prior to the Easter break.

Easter Egg Bingo

The PTA are organising an Easter Egg Bingo in the Village Hall at 3.30pm on Thursday 29th March.

This will be a fun activity for all the family. Prizes will be, you guessed, an Easter Egg for a line and a bigger Easter Egg for a full house. We look forward to seeing you there.

Easter Service

Our Easter service will take place at St. Bartholomew's Church at 2pm on the last day of term. Parents are invited into the school after the service, to see their children's work.

Important Dates

March

- 7th Class 3 swim
- 13th Forest School - Class 3 and 4
- 14th Class 3 swim
- 20th Forest School - Class 3 and 4
- 21st Class 3 swim
- 22nd St Briavels class 3
- 23rd St Briavels class 3
- 29th Easter Egg Bingo - 3.30pm at the Village Hall
- 30th Easter Service - 2pm at St. Bartholomew's Church
- 30th End of term

Easter Holiday

April 18th Summer term begins