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Our Christian Value of the Month is:

Responsibility

Responsibility is having to deal with or look after something or someone.

'For each will have to bear his own land.'

Galations 6:3

Caswell Bay

Last Friday we embarked on our whole school trip to Caswell Bay and an amazing day was had by all. Picture this: the sun beaming down on us as we all busily built sandcastles, went paddling and even braved a dip in the sea. The highlight was definitely the picnic on the beach - there's something special about eating sandwiches and crisps with the sound of waves in the background. Some of us also showed off our football skills, while others were on a mission to collect the prettiest shells and pebbles on the shore. And of course, we couldn't leave without treating ourselves to a delicious ice cream. It was a day filled with laughter, fun, and a real sense of togetherness.



Wind In The Willows

Our whole school play this year was a fantastic performance of Wind in the Willows. The children really brought the story to life with their amazing acting skills, and we had some incredible soloists who wowed the audience. There were lots of scene changes to navigate, but the children rose to the challenge and kept the show running smoothly. We all had a great time performing in front of a full house at both the matinee and evening performances. We are extremely proud of everyone involved in making the play a success and want to say a big thank you to all the parents, teachers, and friends who came to watch and support the children. Here's to many more memorable performances in the future!









Herefordshire Children's Help and Advice Team (CHAT)

This confidential service is open to all families living in Herefordshire, with a child or children aged 0 to 18 years, or up to 25 years old for those with special educational needs and disabilities.

They can offer support, advice and guidance for families and young people an any issues affecting your family.

You can contact the CHAT team on **01432 260261** (available Monday to Friday, 9am - 4.45pm) and speak to an experienced CHAT Advisor. END).

Much Marcle's Got Talent

Our whole school talent show was an incredible showcase of the amazing skills our children possess. The children captivated everyone with their musical talents, football skills, graceful dancing and beautiful singing. It was a lovely celebration of the diverse talents our children bring to the table, and a reminder of the creativity and passion that thrives within our school community.

Congratulations to Jacaio who won with his fantastic song!



Uniform Reminder

We would like to take this opportunity to remind all children and parents about the importance of adhering to the correct school uniform policy. Wearing the designated uniform is not only a requirement but also a reflection of our collective identity and pride in our school community.

Winter Uniform:

- Grey pleated pinafore, grey pleated skirt or grey school trousers
- Red sweatshirt with logo or cardigan with logo
- White polo shirt
- Grey or red tights
- White or grey socks
 Black shoes (not ballet pumps or trainers)

Please ensure long hair is tied back and hairbands are of school colours.

No jewellery should be worn, apart from watches in KS2 and small metal stud earrings. This should be removed on PE days.

Further information on school uniform can be found on our school website.

It is essential that all clothing items, including shoes and bags, are **clearly labelled with the child's name.** This will help prevent loss and ensure the swift return of misplaced belongings.

We appreciate your cooperation in upholding our school's uniform standards.

PE Kits in September

Thank you to those who took the time respond to recent PE kit survey. Your valuable feedback has been instrumental in helping to make important decisions regarding our school's uniform policy. Following your input, we are pleased to announce that starting from September, all children are required to come to school dressed in their PE kits, paired with their school jumper on their designated PE Days.

Class 1 - Tuesday

Class 2 - Tuesday & Wednesday Class 3 - Wednesday & Thursday

Class 4 - Monday & Thursday

Thank you to our community readers

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our dedicated volunteer readers who generously give up their time to make a significant difference to our children's reading experience. Your commitment to helping our children develop a love for books and promoting reading for pleasure is truly invaluable. Through your efforts, our children are not only improving their literacy skills but also discovering the joy and wonder that books can bring. Thank you for being champions of reading!

New ipads



We are incredibly grateful to the Clive Richardson Foundation for their generous grant of £6000, which has allowed us to enhance our education resources for IT significantly. Thanks to this funding we were able to purchase 20 new iPads and 3 lockable storage units. This investment will have a profound impact on the children at our school, providing them access to cutting-edge technology and promoting development of their IT skills.

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Making a Difference



Key Dates

September:

4th - Children return to school (Art Week)

11th - Parent Meet and Greet

16th - Class 4 Swimming (Two weeks)

Goodbye Mrs Griffiths

We want to take this opportunity to express our deepest gratitude for Mrs Griffiths' exceptional dedication and unwavering support as a teaching assistant. Her nurturing nature and willingness to go above and beyond have truly made a significant impact on both the children and staff alike.

Mrs Griffith's involvement in the extra-curricular clubs has not gone unnoticed, and her invaluable contribution in helping to create play costumes with her impressive sewing skills has been greatly appreciated.

Her kindness and hard work have touched us all, and we are truly grateful for everything she has done.

We wish her all the best in her new role.

E-Safety

Helping your child transition to secondary school

Is your child moving to secondary school in September?

Internet Matters have published lots of useful advice and resources to help you during this transition, including discussing if your child is ready for a smartphone and explaining the challenges they may face in secondary school:

https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/moving-to-secondary-schoolonline-safety-guide/

Online Bullying

It can be very easy online for children to behave in a way that they would not if they were face to face with each other. Talk to your child about how they speak to others online and encourage them to talk to people online with respect and kindness, like they would if they were face-to-face

How they act online should be how they behave on the school playground when they are following school rules. Here are some examples of what being unkind looks like online:

- Sending nasty or hurtful messages
- Leaving unkind comments
- Sharing photographs of somebody else without their permission
- Excluding somebody on purpose
- Telling/sharing lies

Further information can be found on:

- https://bulliesout.com/needsupport/be-kind-online/
- https://bekindonline.com/category/ cyber-safety-tips/

Friends of Much Marcle

We would like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful Friends of Much Marcle for organising Freeze Fridays. They raised a fantastic amount of £105. This now brings us to a grand total of £2276.67 raised since September 2023!

GOAL	
£8000	
£7000	
£6000	
£5000	
£4000	
£3000	
£2000	
£1000	
START	

ATTENDANCE

Class 1	95.4%
Class 2	95.2%
Class 3	96.7%
Class 4	96.8%

Our target is 95%

Red = Below Target
Green= Achieved Target
Blue= Above Target

Well done to Class 4 who have won the attendance cup for best attendance in Summer Term 2.

House Points Update

Pearmain	Pippin
2138	2364
Pomeroy	Russet
1771	2430

Thank you from Mrs Davies and Staff

We wish to thank all of our families for their kind gifts and wishes this week. Thank you for your support this year. The children have worked so extremely hard and we are proud of all of their achievements. We hope everyone has a fun and relaxing summer and we look forward to working with you all again in September.

Best wishes Mrs Davies and the staff