



Marsh Hill Newsletter

March 11th 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well.

Covid – 19

With regard to Covid-19, Marsh Hill will continue to respond to and follow the latest guidance from the Department for Education (DfE) which we all hope will be the beginning of a period of less disruption in schools. From Monday 14th March we will no longer be in 'bubbles' and school closing times will return to pre-Pandemic arrangements:

EYFS – 3.10 pm

Key stage 1 – 3.10 pm

Key stage 2 – 3.15 pm

While it is encouraging that Covid cases across the region continue to fall, it is still important that we ensure good hygiene, cleaning and ventilation at school. It is also necessary to note that, in the event of an outbreak, we may be advised to reintroduce some or all of the previous measures. I would like to thank parents, carers and pupils for their continued patience and support during this time.

Mother's Day Raffle



The Marsh Hill Heroes have put together a hamper of goodies that one lucky winner will receive for Mother's Day. Raffle tickets cost £1 per strip and tickets are on sale in the minor hall at breaktime and after school on the KS1 and KS2 playgrounds until Thursday 24th March. The winning ticket will be drawn during assembly on Friday 25th March.

The Marsh Hill Heroes will also be organising an Easter raffle and the selling of tickets for this will begin on Monday 28th March. There will be more information on this nearer to the time.

I would like to thank the Marsh Hill Heroes for all that they do for the school. All the money that they raise is put back into the school and benefits all of our children.

The Marsh Hill Heroes are always on the lookout for new members, so please contact the school if you would like to become involved. They are currently in the process of planning the Spring Fayre and their meetings are held on Fridays at 2.30pm in the school hall.

World Book Day

As part of our celebrations for World Book Day, Freshwater Theatre Company worked with each year group to provide high quality drama workshops which really brought storytelling to life for our pupils.

Reception focused on the fairytale called 'The Runaway Pancake'. They then had all afternoon to do different activities relating to this story!



For their World Book Day, Year 1 selected their favourite books and dressed as their book characters.



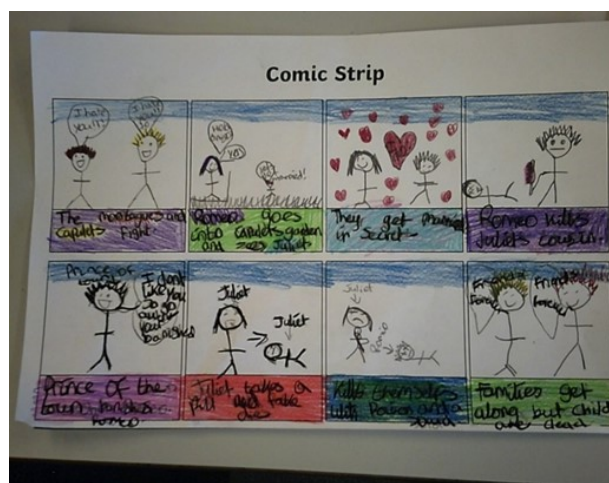
Year 2 took part in a workshop about A Midsummer Night's Dream. The children really enjoyed taking an active part. One activity which the children enjoyed was creating a soundscape. In small groups, children represented a sound that they might have heard in the woods. While in a circle they put the sounds together. The children also enjoyed acting out the story. We have some budding actors and actresses!



For their World Book Day Year 3 started to look at the story of 'The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' By CS Lewis. The children made a 'wardrobe' and drew a picture of what they thought Lucy found at the back of the wardrobe.



For their World Book Day Year 4 looked at 'MacBeth.' The children acted in the role of Lady MacBeth and took part in a conscience alley activity. The children gave advice to Lady MacBeth. The children really enjoyed World Book Day. They also created comic strips.



Year 5's workshop was on Romeo and Juliet. The children acted out the play in various ways and learned many quotes, the favourite being 'I curse both your houses!'



For their World Book Day Year 6 learnt about Charles Dickens and used their maths skills to solve codes and find the secret message.

World Book Day Jokes Code Breaker Activity

Use the grid below to solve the codes. Write the letters in the boxes to reveal the secret message.

Code	Letter
24 700	A
38 720	B
10 740	C
18 760	D
26 780	E
34 800	F
42 820	G
50 840	H
58 860	I
66 880	J
74 900	K
82 920	L
90 940	M
98 960	N
106 980	O
114 1000	P
122 1020	Q
130 1040	R
138 1060	S
146 1080	T
154 1100	U
162 1120	V
170 1140	W
178 1160	X
186 1180	Y
194 1200	Z

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Fundraising for the Ukraine

We will be supporting the Disasters Emergency Committee's appeal to raise vital funds for the people of Ukraine. On Wednesday 16th March we are having non-school uniform day (preferably yellow and blue clothing) for a donation of £1 per pupil to do our part as a school community to raise vital funds for those who have been impacted by the terrible events we are witnessing.

Additionally, on Monday 21st March, Mrs. Carless will be hosting a coffee and cake afternoon in the minor hall for parents from 2pm - 3pm. Please join in and help us raise as much as we can as every little helps. If you would like to donate cakes then please bring them into school on Friday 18th March (NUT FREE CAKES only, please).



I wish you all a happy, peaceful and safe weekend

Yours sincerely,

Mr. J Cusack



Head Teacher