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Marsh Hill Primary School Newsletter

March 1st 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Sarah McNulty has been elected as **Parent Governor**.

We would like to thank all those who put their name forward and took the time to complete candidate statements, and those of you who voted. Details of the number of votes cast can be obtained on request from Miss Dunkley (School Business Manager) through the school office.

Parents' Evening will take place on Tuesday 19th March and Thursday 21st March between 3.30pm and 6.00pm. Parents' Evening provides a good opportunity to discuss your child's progress. Appointments will be available to book online up to and including Sunday 10th March.

Class photos will be taken on Monday 4th March. Please ensure your child comes in correct school uniform on the day. If your child's year group has PE on Monday they should wear normal school uniform and bring their PE kit in with them to get changed into.

Paulette Hamilton MP

We were delighted to welcome Paulette Hamilton MP for a tour of the school last Friday. Paulette visited classrooms and told the children all about her work in Westminster at the Houses of Parliament. Paulette was very impressed with the way the children engaged with her.

Following her tour, 10 children from across school from Reception to Year 6 met with Paulette in the library for a 'Question Time' event. These children were chosen by their teachers based on the quality of the questions that they had come up with. The questions asked were as follows:

1. Why did you become an MP ? (Lemar Y1)
2. What were your first priorities when you became an MP? (Dinelle Y5)
3. What was your life like before you became an MP? (Mohammed Y3)
4. How often do you go to London to the Houses of Parliament? (Eddie Y2)
5. With the temperature going down, how do you look after people without homes? (Hasnain Y5)
6. How are you keeping us safe when we cross the road? Could we have a zebra crossing to Brookvale Park? (Asad EYFS)
7. When is the rubbish in and around Witton Lakes going to be moved? (Shane Y6)

8. What can Erdington do to save the environment (Aaliyah Y3)
9. What is your favourite part of the job? (Rayaa Y4)

As is the tradition on Question Time, there was also a question that was not related to politics: this question came from Abdullah (Y3) and was: What do you know about the Amazon Rainforest and Ancient Rome?



Year 5 and Year 6 Residential

Forty Year 5 and Year 6 children spent Monday to Wednesday at Whitemoor Lakes in Lichfield during this year's residential trip. The children had a fantastic time as you will see from their comments:

'It was so much fun. I loved spinning upside down on the zipwire and letting go with my hands.' Aria

'When we were doing the gladiator, I got to the top and I saw Miss Black and she looked really scared. And I enjoyed the Disco because we got to choose our own songs.' Ruby

'I enjoyed the food because you got a range of options; and they made us make our own bed and this gave us responsibility.' Khadijah

'I enjoyed the 30 minute breaks because I was tired after the activities and I enjoyed the Traverse' (a climbing activity) Maleal

'I liked the sports hall, the gladiator, the football, the basketball and the shoe throwing' Shane

'All of the Instructors were very nice and friendly. The bedrooms felt and looked like a hotel.' Aleena

'I liked the activities because it was safe and really fun. Also the dorms because you could be in a room with your friends.' Oliver

'The activities were fun because we had to do problem solving and orienteering and use our minds. My favourite was the zipwire because it was high and fast. The food was great. My favourite was the pizza, the spaghetti and the chicken wings with Nandos sauce' Mohsin

'I like how if you want to go down from a high place they will motivate you to keep going and when they told me to do it I made it to the top after my second try.' Shyloh

'It was good because you didn't have to do all of it and you could do the things that made you comfortable. It was so safe.' Mia

'The Instructors were supportive, they encouraged to try things but didn't force you.' Eva

'The campfire – everyone still remembers the songs' and every time we saw the Instructor who sang the songs people shout 'Long John' at him. It was fun, we learned things. We were being taught without knowing it. They were teaching us to be brave.'
Harry

As you will appreciate, trips such as this cannot take place without the willingness, enthusiasm and commitment of staff prepared to give up their own free time to make them happen. I would therefore like to thank Ms. Coppock, Ms. Dunkley and Miss Black for their generosity of spirit in enabling it to take place.

Mother's Day Raffle

The PTA will be running a Mother's Day Raffle next week. Tickets are **£1** per strip and will be on sale in the Library at break times as follows:-

- Tuesday 5th March 2024: Y1 & Y2
- Wednesday 6th March 2024: Y3 & Y4
- Thursday 7th March 2024: Y5 & Y6
- EYFS TAs will sell tickets in their classrooms.

Prize 1 – Mom Teddy
Prize 2 – Pamper Hamper
Prize 3 – Mom Mug Gift Set

STARS of the Week



Very well done to all our Merit Award Winners for this week. We are all proud of you:

Reception – Raina, Henry, Nalee, Zoyah

Year 1 – Myles, Liyana, Ayaan, Ayub

Year 2 – Selena, Mahmoud, Niyet, Muhammed

Year 3 – Hassan, Rayhaan, Klaudia, Bella

Year 4 – Joshua, Abdullah, Carter, Fathia

Year 5 – Leighton, Rimsha, Misael, Zara

Year 6 – Abdul-Wasi, Zoya, Hassan, Arman

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance this week is 4M, who achieved 99.26%. Very well done and congratulations to 4M.

Safeguarding

If you are concerned for a child's wellbeing, then please contact our Designated Safeguarding Lead, Cathy Lomas through the school office. In the event of Cathy being unavailable – please ask to speak with another DSL in school.

Alternatively, you may ring The Children's Advice and Support Service (CASS) on 0121 303 1888.

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Monday 4 th	School Photographs
Tuesday 5 th	Science Day
	Mother's Day Tea: 3.30 – 4.30 p.m. (this event has now sold out)
Thursday 7 th	World Book Day
Wednesday 13 th	Year 1 Mother's Day Assembly (for parents and carers of children in 1W)
Thursday 14 th	Year 2 Maths Workshop for parents and carers: 9.15 a.m.
Friday 15 th	Year 1 Mother's Day Assembly (for parents and carers of children in 1G)
	Marsh Hill's Got Talent Competition
Monday 18 th	Key stage 1 Easter Bonnet Parade
	Key stage 2 Decorate and Egg Competition
Tuesday 19 th	Parents' Evening: 3.30 – 6.00 p.m.
Thursday 21 st	Parents' Evening: 3.30 – 6.00 p.m.
Friday 22 nd	Teacher Training Day – School will be closed to all pupils. School re-opens to pupils on Monday 8 th April, 2024

I wish you all a happy, safe and peaceful weekend.

Yours sincerely,



Mr. J. Cusack
Head Teacher