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MARSH HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

March 28th 2025

The Value of the month for March is **THOUGHTFULNESS**

Being kind and thoughtful means making ourselves aware of the needs and feelings of others and then taking action to help them. It means taking the time to stop thinking about ourselves, to put the spotlight on somebody else's needs and to think, "What can I do to make that person's life a little better or easier?"

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

Eid Mubarak

Happy Eid! As we celebrate the end of Ramadan, we wish all families in our school community joy, peace, and happiness. We are especially proud of our children who fasted and showed great dedication throughout this holy month. Enjoy this special time with your loved ones!

Please note that children celebrating Eid are only allowed one day off for religious observance.

Next Friday afternoon we will be having Eid Parties in school. This will be a non-uniform day for all children.

Measles

On Tuesday of this week your child brought home a letter regarding a case of measles at school. This letter was sent to you on the advice of the West Midlands Health Protection Team at UKHSA (UK Health Security Agency). The letter refers to the importance of ensuring your child has had the MMR vaccine. The MMR vaccine gives you and your family protection against catching measles. If you've missed any doses it's not too late to catch up. If you are unsure if you or your child are up to date, check your child's red book or GP records and make an appointment to catch up any missed doses. If you did not receive the letter, then please pick up a copy from the school office.

EYFS Writing Workshop

Thank you to all our parents and carers who attended the Reception Writing Workshop on Tuesday morning. It was great to see so many families in school supporting their child and the children had a wonderful time with their loved ones. During the workshop the children had the opportunity to spoil the special women in their lives by; making 'Best Mummy' or 'Best Grandma' crowns, writing certificates to the 'Best Mum/Nan in the World' and also showcase their sentence writing skills by

writing down information about their loved family member and why they are special. Mrs Hunt and Mr Glover also modelled a typical Phonics lesson before the workshop began so that parents and carers could see how Phonics is taught in school and how they can support their child at home with reading and writing. We are so proud of how well behaved Reception were - they certainly are getting ready for Year 1.



Year 3 Mother's Day Assemblies

Thank you to all the mothers (and other relatives) who attended the Year 3 special Mother's Day assemblies this week. I am sure that you were all proud of the children for their beautiful singing, their personal messages and their fantastic artwork.

Big Walk and Wheel Challenge

Thank you to our BCC Sustrans colleagues for visiting our school today to work with our children and staff with the 'Big Walk and Wheel Challenge' We hope you took full advantage of a bike repair ... look out for future updates!



Swimming

The swimming Pool continues to be very popular with our children who are very much enjoying the opportunity to swim regularly. This week it was the turn of our Reception children:

"I am so happy" (Rayyan)

"I love this school because I get to go swimming" (Kaiden)

"I am so excited" (Natariya)

"Daniel showed me how to swim (Abeera)

"I liked kicking my legs and splashing" (Raheem)

SEND Provision

BIRMINGHAM SEND



BRONZE AWARD

This award is presented to
Marsh Hill Primary School

This award recognises the commitment made to the
Birmingham SEND Co-production Framework & Charter

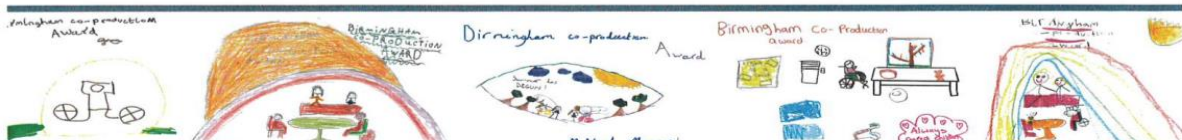
Signed on behalf of the Birmingham SEND Local Area Partnership

Sue Hazison

Signed by the Strategic Director of Children and Families

Friday 14th March 2025

Date



We were very proud to receive recognition for the support and commitment that we provide in supporting our children with additional needs. I would like to thank all the teachers and teaching assistants for their hard work in this important aspect of the education we deliver and to Mr. Moheen for his tireless work in leading on SEND provision in school.

Sports Report

It has been an active week for sport events with a group of Key Stage Two children participating in a Hockey Skills event on Monday. They were taught a variety of new skills and were offered the opportunity to demonstrate these and receive coaching from young leaders. Hockey is one of the many different sports that are taught at Marsh Hill Primary and it is great to see so many children having the opportunity to learn new skills alongside other schools in our area.

This was followed on Tuesday by the concluding event of a Key Stage Two Boys SparkActive Football League - they successfully won all of their matches, demonstrating some outstanding football skills

and improving their Sportsmanship attitudes and teamwork. There were two evenings of matches and Alan and Younis were voted 'man of the match' for each evening respectively. We were absolutely delighted when the league was concluded and we found ourselves winners! Gold medals and certificates were issued to the team by SparkActive. We share their enthusiasm for the sport and applaud their success.

Finally on Wednesday evening there was a Key Stage Two Girls Netball competition. As a newly formed team this term, our girls committed themselves to each game played determined to do their best. Despite not coming home as winners of the competition, in our eyes, they achieved more than we could have hoped for. Their commitment and determination is to be admired and as they improve their skills and understanding of such a complex sport we hope to see this result in fantastic performances in the future.

It is wonderful to see so many different children have the opportunity to participate in extra curricular activities and be ambassadors for Marsh Hill Primary School.

I would like to thank Miss Black (football) and Mrs. Woodley (netball) for giving up their free time to coach the children and take them to the competitions. I would also like to thank Cathy Lomas and Mr. Brewer for driving the minibus and staying at the competitions to help supervise the children.

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance this week was 5C – **AGAIN!!! Very well done 5C.**

The whole school attendance figure was 93.12%.

Class	Attendance Percentage
Rainbows	90.9
Sunshines	87.71
1G	89.2
1H	92.43
2D	93.77
2P	93.11
3C	94.7
3D	94.14
4H	93.0
4M	94.59
5C	96.16
5U	93.95
6C	93.69
6M	92.09
6W	95.19
Whole School	93.12

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; or the Police on 999, if the child is in immediate danger.

Diary Dates

APRIL	
Friday 4 th	Eid Parties (non-school uniform)
Wednesday 9 th	Easter Class Assembly for parents and carers of children in 5C: 9.00 a.m. EYFS/Ks1 Easter Bonnet Parade
Friday 11 th	Easter Class Assembly for parents and carers of children in 5U: 9.00 a.m. Ks2 Decorate an Easter Egg showcase School breaks up for the Easter Holiday: 3.15 p.m.

This section will be updated once new dates are known and confirmed.

I wish all our families a good weekend.



Mr. J. Cusack

Head Teacher