



Marsh Hill Newsletter

October 22nd 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well.

MacMillan Coffee Morning

I would like to thank all parents and carers who attended our coffee morning yesterday on behalf of MacMillan Cancer Support. It was a fabulous turnout for this very worthwhile charity and I would like to share the words of one parent who said: "It was such a lovely morning. Thank you so much for everything. It couldn't have been any better than this." MacMillan says that 'every penny raised' has an impact. £375.09 was raised by our wonderful school community by this event. To put that into context, £236 pays for a MacMillan nurse for a day, helping people living with cancer and their families receive essential medical, practical and emotional support.

I would also like to thank all parents, carers and staff who contributed cakes (either shop bought or homemade – particularly Miss Irish who baked the fabulous creation at the centre of the photograph below). A number of parents also volunteered their time to set up the hall, serve coffee and cakes, sell raffle tickets and clear up afterwards; so thank you to Mrs Butler, Ms Gilmore, Mrs McCreadie, Ms O'Neil and Ms Clayton. I would like to pay a special Thank you to Mrs Carless who suggested, organised and worked tirelessly to ensure this event was a success.



Parents' Evening

I would like to thank all parents and carers who attended meetings this week to discuss the progress being made by your children. If you were unable to attend a meeting this week, then please speak with your class teacher when you collect your child from school or, alternatively, contact them through the school office.

Black History Month

Today we held a special assembly where every year group from Year 1 to Year 6 shared the work they had done to celebrate Black History Month. Please ask your children to share what they have found out about the following individuals: Davina Hamilton (Year 1), Mary Seacole (Year 2), Marcus Rashford (Year 3), Benjamin Zephaniah (Year 4), Barack Obama (Year 5) and Harriet Tubman (Year 6). Well done to all the children who presented and thank you to Ms Hodge for organising today's special assembly.

Halloween Disco

As we head into the half term holidays, I would like to share just some of the fabulous costumes worn by our children at last week's fabulous Halloween Disco.



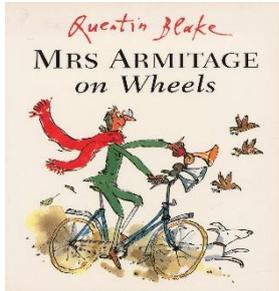
Apology

Last week I mentioned our fantastic PTA - The Marsh Hill Heroes - and the wonderful work they do in supporting the school. Each one of them gives freely of their own time and not only did they attend meetings to arrange the Halloween Disco but they also prepared the hall on the day, ran stalls, helped supervise and cleaned up at the end. I mentioned each by name in my previous newsletter but unfortunately I failed to mention Marva Pogson and Elizabeth Baizon who both played a very significant part in ensuring the evening was a success. Thank you again Mrs Pogson and Mrs Baizon and please, accept my apologies!

The Marsh Hill Heroes are always welcoming of new recruits, so if you would like to be involved please get in touch with the school.

Reading Inspirations

This week's recommendation comes from Ms Deans who is the Lead Teacher for Reading across school.



One of my favourite stories as a child was Mrs Armitage on Wheels by Quentin Blake. I loved how inventive the main character was and how she changed her very ordinary bicycle into something extraordinary! As a child I loved making models and using tools and so I think I related to the character. I especially loved that that she didn't become disheartened at the end and instead tried another form of transport where the author leaves you wondering how she'll revamp her roller skates!

And Finally...

GOODBYE MR POWELL AND THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING!



I wish you all a happy, safe and peaceful half term.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. J. Cusack
Head Teacher