# Marsh Hill Newsletter

## **January 20th 2023**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

#### Value of the Month – Determination

Drive and fly ahead of all

Each time try and not to fall

Take challenging strides

Emerge stronger from any failure

Reach out for others

Make sure you explore every option

Initiate steps to success

Never remain fallen to the ground

Always see beyond the visible

Try, try and try again

Involve yourself

Overcome problems with a smile

Never tremble before the expected

This weekend, take the opportunity to ask your child about the goals that they have at the moment and what is it that they are determined to achieve.

#### Height and Weight Check - Reception and Year 6

If you are the parent/carer of a child in Reception or Year 6, then on Monday (January 16<sup>th</sup>), you will have received a letter from Birmingham Community Healthcare: NHS Foundation Trust, regarding height and weight checks that are carried out every year in schools in England for these age groups. If you are happy for your child's height and weight to be measured you do not need to do anything. If you do not want your child's height and weight to be measured then please inform their class teacher or contact the school office. No child will be made to take part on the day if they do not want to.

#### Year 4 Egyptian Workshop

Last Friday (January 13<sup>th</sup>) Year 4 travelled to ancient Egypt after being transported through time to the year 3000BC. They met an ancient Egyptian who told them all about the wonders of this ancient civilisation.

They learnt all about what the ancient Egyptians ate, wore and the importance of the river Nile. The children were given the opportunity to play an ancient Egyptian game, wear protective clothing used in battle and handle a variety of different artefacts.

Year 4 thoroughly enjoyed their interactive Egyptian experience and are looking forward to finding out more this half term!













#### **Attendance**

Last week I wrote about the importance of children attending school and that children should only have time off if they are genuinely too ill to attend. This week attendance for the whole school is 94.43%. The class with the highest attendance this week is 3A with 98.48%. Very well done 3A!

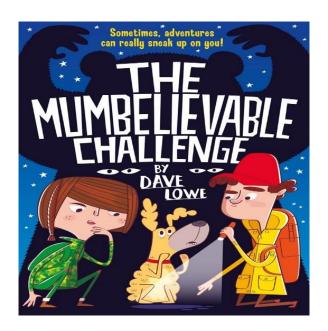
#### **Book Review**

This week's reading recommendation comes from Tobias in Year 6. Tobias has chosen **The Mumbelievable Challenge** by **Dave Lowe**.

"I really like the 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' series, but I wanted to take a break from it and started reading 'The Mumbelievable Challenge' by Dave Lowe.

A dad, his daughter and their dog go into a cabin in the forest for five days. The girl's mom puts five letters in her bag. Each letter contains a challenge. On one adventure she meets a boy called Zac. One day, they come upon a bear trying to attack their cabin. There are lots of other parts to the story, including that the dad and daughter didn't get along. In the cabin the daughter forgives her dad for once embarrassing her in the newspaper.

Next I want to read the Incredible Dadventure by Dave Lowe."



### <u>Dates for your Diary – Spring Term 1</u>

January	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Chinese New Year Assembly (for parents and Carers of
	pupils in 3A)
27 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 Chinese New Year Assembly (for parents and Carers of
	pupils in 3M)
30 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Florence Nightingale Workshop
February	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 6 Hobogoblin Theatre Workshop
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 5 and Year 6 Cycling Skills Workshop
8 <sup>th</sup>	Safer Internet Day *
	*National Safer Internet Day is February 7 <sup>th</sup> , but this clashes with
	another pre-planned event going on in school
9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 2 SATs meeting for Parents and Carers

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

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

Yours sincerely,

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