

Marsh Hill Newsletter

February 10th 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

Value of the month – Courage



Courage is about being brave and breaking through your own barriers.

Safer Internet Day

This week we held our annual Safer Internet Day in school (this supplements what teachers tell children at the beginning of every IT lesson regarding staying safe online). As teachers and parents, we recognise that the internet is amazing and has so much to offer children and young people, but online safety skills are an increasingly important part of all our lives. At home, please make conversations about the online world and internet safety with your child/ren a regular event. By doing so you will be showing them that you recognise the importance of the internet in their lives while being in a position to remind them of the need to stay safe online, and the measures that they can take to ensure that this is the case.

Want to talk about it?

Making space for conversations about life online

World Book Day

At Marsh Hill we are passionate about promoting a love of reading within your children. For children, reading for pleasure is reading that goes beyond their teacher's reading expectations and is done to fuel their own curiosity and enjoyment; it is a form of play that allows them to experience other worlds and roles in their imagination.

On Thursday, 23rd March we will be celebrating World Book Day in school. On that day, children may dress up as their favourite book character. However, we will have other 'reading for pleasure' activities running throughout the week. This will include inviting Parents and Carers into school to read and share a story with their child.

On Tuesday 28th February, we will be holding a 'Big Book Swap' in school. All children who bring in any children's book that they no longer read will have the opportunity to swap it for another. Children may begin bringing these books in from Monday (February 13th) until Monday 27th February.

Your child will be bringing further information regarding these two initiatives home with them today.

I would like to thank Mrs. Clover and Ms. Deans for organising and co-ordinating our World Book Day events.

Homework Survey

Next week, I will be feeding back to you the findings from the homework survey. I would like to thank all those Parents and Carers who took the opportunity to complete the survey.

Attendance

The whole school attendance for this week is 95%. The class with the highest attendance this week is 2C with 100%. Very well done to 2C.

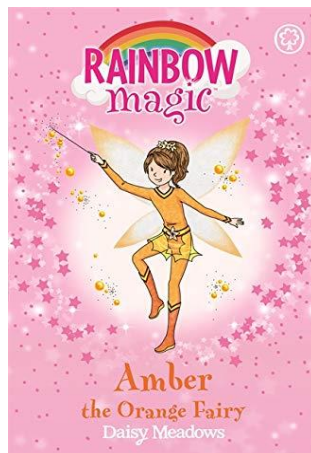
Book Review

This week's book review comes from Aleema and Aizah from Year 4, who have chosen **Amber the Orange Fairy** by Daisy Meadows.

"Amber and the Orange Fairy was the first book by Daisy Meadows that we read. It's an interesting story about a fairy named Amber, and two friends called Kirsty and Rachel. At the start of the story, Jack Frost's minions take Amber's wand. Jack Frost uses the wand to make the colour orange disappear from the world. Then, Amber sprinkles magical fairy dust over Kirsty and Rachel and they turn into fairies to get the wand back.

We like how Amber likes the colour orange and how Kirsty and Rachel decorate the Rainbow Magic fairies house. We would recommend this to other girls and boys, except those who like 'Beast Quest.'

An interesting fact about Daisy Meadows is that she is not a real person but multiple people who write the 'Rainbow Magic' series of book." (Aleema and Aizah).



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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'J. Cusack'. The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a set of horizontal lines.

Mr. J. Cusack
Head Teacher