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Marsh Hill Primary School Newsletter

June 21st 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well.

This week we held induction meetings with parents and carers from the new Reception cohort who will be joining us in September. It was nice to see and meet new parents and also see again those who already have, or have previously had, children in our school. The whole staff and I appreciate the trust that you put in us all to provide the best quality education for your children and it is a responsibility and privilege that we take very seriously.

Reducing Air Pollution Around School

As part of our whole school initiative to reduce air pollution around our school, a group of Year pupils visited The ThinkTank yesterday (Thursday 21st, June) to celebrate our efforts and successes so far courtesy of Modeshift Stars - thank you to everyone who is trying to 'ride and stride' to and from school to help us keep our air clean.



Year 3 Ukulele Performance

This week we were treated to a wonderful performance by our Year 3 children, who performed a ukulele concert. The children have been working hard to learn the instrument throughout the year and I would like to thank them for the hard work and effort that they have put into learning how to play the ukulele. I would also like to thank all parents and carers who have encouraged their children to practise at home and for attending the performance. Finally, I would also like to thank Mr. Hollingsworth – our peripatetic music teacher – for all his efforts in teaching the children.

The feedback from parents and carers has been very positive, and I would like to share just a small sample of the very many approving comments we have received:

“A very fantastic performance by the children...feeling proud of my daughter and her year group.”

“The ukulele concert was absolutely amazing. Well done to all the children and the ukulele teacher. We were very entertained.”

“Thank you to Marsh Hill School for giving kids the opportunity to start learning music.”

“Absolutely fantastic performance. It was so lovely to see the children and teachers hard work come together. Well done Marsh Hill.”

“Lovely performance and wonderful to see all the children gleaming with happiness. Very well done to all.”


“The Year 3 concert was amazing! It’s incredible how Mr. Hollingsworth has taught all of the children and it’s amazing how they all played well together. Well done Year 3 and well done Marsh Hill.”

Compass Mental Health Support Teams

School has recently engaged the services of Compass, a national non-profit charity. Please see the flyer attached to this newsletter for more information regarding Compass and the work that they do.

NEDS Assembly

On Tuesday 2nd, July we will be having a very special assembly, when the NED Show will be visiting us for a performance at Marsh Hill. Yo-Yo’s will be on sale in school over the next two weeks. If you wish to purchase a yo-yo, please make the payment via the Teachers2Parents app. The payments will go live on Monday, please do not send any money in with your child. The price list is below.



Hi, I'm NED!

Hello families!

The NED Show is visiting our school! The assembly is filled with storytelling, humour, illusions and amazing yo-yo tricks where our kids learn the hidden message in NED's name:

Never give up
Encourage others
Do your best®

Do you want to learn to yo? A yo-yo is both a learning tool and a tangible reminder of NED's message. While learning to yo, children will make mistakes, try again and improve.

Our school yo-yo sale



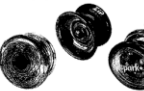

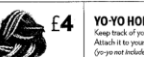
Our school received this assembly at no-cost because another school paid-it-forward to us. We want to help pay-it-forward too, and you can help by purchasing a NED-messaged yo-yo.

SALE DATES: _____ TIME: _____

ADDITIONAL DETAILS: _____

Yo-yo designs and colors may vary. Make cheques payable to our school. Prices include tax (where applicable).

STUDENT ORDER FORM:

<p>CLASSIC YOS £8</p> <p>Learn the basics of yo-yoing with assorted fixed axle yo-yos.</p> 	<p>SUPER SPINNERS £10</p> <p>Great for loops and intermediate tricks. With a strong throw, these auto-return yo-yos keep at the end of the string & then come back to you automatically.</p> 	<p>SPECIALTY SELECTION £13</p> <p>Assorted professional long-spin yo-yos for next level tricks!</p> 
<p>REPLACEMENT STRING PACK £4</p> <p>Ten assorted strings to change color or replace a worn and greasy string.</p> 	<p>YO-YO HOLSTER £6</p> <p>Keep track of your yo-yo and have it ready to go. Attach it to your lock loop or backpack. (yo-yo not included).</p> 	

Summer Reading Challenge

A reminder that in the last couple of weeks, your child brought home a letter regarding a fantastic summer reading challenge that our school will be taking part in. All the information that you need to become involved is on the letter and, as parents and carers, you can support your child by encouraging them to read this summer. If you did not receive a copy of the letter then please pick one up from the office.

Message for Parents/Carers of Children Currently in Year 5

Please be advised that registration is now open for parents of current Year 5 pupils who would like their child to sit the entrance test for a place at any of the grammar schools in Birmingham (entry to Year 7 in September 2025).

Registration can be made online by visiting the website below.

The closing date for registering is 4pm on 28th June 2024.

The test will take place on 14th September 2024.

www.westmidlandsgrammarschools.co.uk

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.

Dates For Your Diary

JUNE	
Monday 24 th	EYFS Sports Day
Friday 28 th	Year 2 Sleepover
JULY	
w/c Monday 1 st	EYFS Home Visits for children starting school in September (all week) Year 5 and Year 6 Sports Day: 9.00 a.m.
Tuesday 2 nd	Ks1 Sports Day 9.15 a.m. The NED Show Assembly Ks1 and Ks2
Wednesday 3 rd	Year 3 and 4 Sports Day 9.15 a.m. End of Year Reports to parents and carers
Thursday 4 th	General Election – School to be used as a Polling Station, so will be closed to all pupils and staff
Friday 5 th	Whole School Big Top Circus Event (all day)
w/c Monday 8 th	EYFS Home Visits for children starting school in September (all week)
Monday 15 th	EYFS Graduation Assembly 9.00 a.m.

Tuesday 16 th	Year 6 Leavers Assembly 9.00 a.m. and 2.00 p.m. Parents' Evening (3.30 p.m.– 6.00 p.m.)
Wednesday 17 th	EYFS Teddy Bears Picnic
Friday 19 th	Last day for children – school closes at 1.00 p.m.

This section will be updated if/when new dates are added; or if there is any change of date to any events.

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

Yours sincerely,



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