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## **MARSH HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

**December 6<sup>th</sup> 2024**

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families well.

### **New School Gates**

School has plans to improve security and safety by installing Electronic Pedestrian and Car Park Vehicle Gates at the front Marsh Hill Entrance to School.

This work is due to commence over the next two weeks, it is indeed an exciting time.

For your safety measures:

- please do not enter school via the car park on foot
- please do use the pedestrian footpath
- when access to the pedestrian footpath is temporarily restricted - all parents, pupils, staff and visitors will be redirected to the Woolmore Road entrance

### **Christmas Fayre**

On Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December, we will be holding a Christmas Fayre in the school hall. The fayre will be open to parents, carers and relatives from 3.30 pm until 4.15 pm. Children will be able to visit the fayre between 2.00 and 3.00 p.m. - this will be organised within year groups. Children may bring money into school to spend at the fayre when they visit during their timeslot. In order to help us prepare for our Christmas fayre, we would be very grateful for donations of the following items:

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December - food/drink items that can be purchased.

### **Bike Storage**

Site Manager Mr Overthrow, would like to remind you that Bikes left in the storage shelters overnight or at the weekend are not the responsibility of school and are left at your own risk.

### **Playground**

We have added two new signs in our Key Stage 2 playground - prohibiting use of the playground equipment out of hours and whilst unsupervised. Please be mindful of the

health and safety risks and do not let your children use the equipment when you are dropping them off or collecting them before and after school.

### Ice Skating Rink

What a wonderful and special week we have had. A very big thank you to Cathy who has supported every class alongside the teachers and TAs.

Cathy writes: "I was so impressed with the classes because even the reception classes had children who were able to skate independently. It's been an amazing experience! There were so many children asking if they could do this again. I think my favourite session was with 2P, who not only burst into spontaneous singing of carols but had lots of pupils who learnt how to skate ... Inarah said that this was the most fun she has ever had at school."

I have also had feedback from our Year 4 children:

Sophie- It was scary at first but then it  
Wasn't it!

Muhammad P - I was born to ice skate!

Kaycee- I could do spins on the ice even though it was my first time skating.

Ria - At first the skates were tricky to stand in but  
then I could go really fast!

Aaliyah - I felt safe on the ice as someone  
would pick you up if you fell. I would like to  
carry on learning!

Eliita - I have learnt how to skate and it was fun. I want to go again!

Daryna- I didn't think I could do it but I was really  
good at ice skating!

At Marsh Hill, we are committed to exposing children to a variety of experiences to help them develop holistically.



### **Christmas Card Project**

Thank you to all the children who took part in the school Christmas Card Project. The children had great fun designing their cards and I am sure that your friends and family will be delighted to receive such a unique card.



### **Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day 2024 – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December**

Once again, we will be doing our bit in our festive knits and raising lots of money for Save the Children. We are requesting a donation of £1 to join in the festive fun! If children do not have a Christmas jumper, they can wear something Christmas related. We can't wait to see you looking fabulously festive on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December!



### **A Special Visitor to Reception**

Dr. Arabzada paid a visit to our reception classes last Friday to explain to the children what he does as a GP. This was a part of Reception's Topic on 'People Who Help Us.' Dr. Arabzada

shared with the children the contents of his doctor bag and lots of different medical equipment that he uses on a day-to-day basis in order to help people get better. The children loved seeing all the different instruments that he utilises when he is treating people and they also had a turn at using them.



### STARS of the Week



Very well done to all our Merit Award Winners for this week. We are all proud of you:

Reception – Akam, Zayyan,

Year 1 – Thomas, Uzair, Naya

Year 2 – Myron, Amaya, Ayan, Ayub

Year 3 – Anderson, Ashley, Zara, Poppy

Year 4 – Ria, Muhammad, Sabaina, Malik,

Year 5 – Faith, Skylar-Rose, Minnie, Daisy,

Year 6 – Ahsan, Misael, Saya, Junior

### Attendance

The class with the best attendance this week was 3C with 99.0%. Congratulations and very well done to.

The whole school attendance figure was 89.81%.

<b>Class</b>	<b>Attendance Percentage</b>
Rainbows	78.67
Sunshines	63.67
1G	78.67
1H	89.33
2D	96.33
2P	91.0
<b>3C</b>	<b>99.0</b>
3D	96.33
4H	95.0
4M	93.1
5C	94.48
5U	94.33
6C	94.0
6M	94.48
6W	97.37
<b>Whole School</b>	<b>89.1</b>

### **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.

### **Diary Dates**

<b>DECEMBER</b>	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 & Year 2 Carol Concert: 9.15 and 2.15
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Pantomime Trip for Years 1 – 6: a.m.
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3 & Year 4 Carol Concert: 9.15 and 2.15
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Visit to the Theatre to see 'Finding Santa'  Year 5 & Year 6 Carol Concert: 9.15 and 2.15
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Fayre in the school hall (after school)
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Nativity: 9.15 and 2.00
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Children's Christmas Lunch
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Parties p.m.

Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	School Closes at 1.00 for the Christmas Holidays
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**This section will be updated once new dates are known and confirmed.**

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

Yours sincerely,



Mr. J. Cusack  
Head Teacher

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