



Marlfields Newsletter

11th November 2015



BUILDING WORK

Our building work has been completed and we now have a dry roof and our walls are structurally sound.

Thank you for bearing with us and the builders who have completed the works on time; and after being here for sixteen weeks they got to know us all, children and adults really well.

Part of the work was to replace all of our guttering and as with an older building what we replaced was cast iron, lead and aluminium. Some children and adults went from school to the scrap yard to see it weighed in and to ensure that we were paid the correct amount.

With the money made we have purchased two benches for the children which need to be painted so we will have a lasting memory of our time with the builders.



"HOW TO HELP MY CHILD" MEETING

Mrs Ellerton will be holding a "How to help my child" meeting on **Wednesday 18th November at 9:10am**. This will be a short session which many parents have found useful in the past in supporting their child's homework and particularly how to help when reading with your child. If you would like to attend please return the slip overleaf so that we can ensure there are enough breakfast treats for all!

FREE SCHOOL MEALS FOR RECEPTION, YEAR 1 and YEAR 2



Are you on a **low income or benefits** and have children in Key Stage 1?

Attached to your child's Newsletter is a form to claim Free School Meals (if eligible).

Doing so will result in extra funds coming into school to further enhance YOUR child's education.

Upon return of the FULLY completed form and if you are eligible then we will send you a £20 Tesco Gift card. Please complete the form if your child is eligible and return to the school office to claim your gift card.

HEAD LICE

At the moment there seems to be quite a problem in school with head lice and we feel that the only way to deal with the issue is if everyone has their hair checked and then if necessary, treated at the same time. The weekend would be the ideal time to do this. Please ensure that you check **everyone in the family**, grandparents included, and not just your school age child. If you do find

any evidence of 'nits' (the little white eggs that cling to the hair shaft), or of any live lice running through the hair please treat **everyone** in the family accordingly. We recommend that at the same time you change all bedding as eggs may fall onto pillows and lay dormant for a while before re-infesting your child's hair.

NON-UNIFORM DAY

By Thomas Hatton, Yr. 6

On Thursday last week, the School Councillors organised a Non-uniform day. Not only that, if you brought in £1 you could have a 'sweet and a treat' as well! The generous School Councillors gave us all this for just £1 only!

Everyone enjoyed themselves and it took a very long time to count all the money! I saw all of the coins in piles in the office - trust me, there were **loads!** Eventually all the money was counted up and we now have the grand total of **£198.91!** Well, we can certainly say that people really enjoy having non-uniform days with sweets and treats.

What amazes me most is the fact that when you think about it £198 is almost £200 - which means that almost everyone took part and contributed - that means a lot of sweets 'n' treats!

NEW CLUBS

There are a couple of new clubs starting for the children in **Key Stage 2 only**.

The first club will take place on **Tuesdays after school** and is **Cake Decorating** with Mrs Perry. To take part in this club you need to bring in £1 per week to cover the cost of the ingredients.

The second club will take place on Thursday lunchtimes and is a **Computer Coding Club** with Mrs Pearce.

If your child would like to join either of these clubs, please fill in the slip at the end of this Newsletter.

MUNCH & CRUNCH WITH THE READING BUNCH

Each morning from **8:15am** we run a 'Munch and Crunch with the Reading Bunch' breakfast club where your child can come into school early and take part in some reading activities and games with their friends or they can just come along and read their reading book. This is followed by a light breakfast of toast and/or cereal and a drink before they come into school. There are still some spaces available at the club. Unfortunately this is not a drop-in club and you need to register which days you would like your child to attend. The club is open to all ages from Reception to Year 6. It may be perfect for early risers as it can avoid standing in the cold and bad weather.

Parents are welcome to stay to help to listen to children read. Interested? Simply complete the slip below and return it to school as soon as possible.

BREAKING NEWS!

If your child attends 'Munch and Crunch' each week for a term we will give them a gift voucher!!



MUNCH & CRUNCH WITH THE READING BUNCH

I would like to enrol my child _____ in Class ____ in the Munch and Crunch with the reading bunch club on the following days:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

Please circle which day(s) you would like your child to attend.

There is currently no limit on how many sessions a child can attend.

If numbers increase dramatically we may have to ask you to reduce the number of sessions attended.

I would like to stay and help with the readers.

Signed: _____ parent/carer

NEW CLUBS

My child _____ in Class _____ would like a place at the following club(s):



Tuesday after school Cake Decorating. I will send £1 each week to cover ingredients.



Thursday lunchtime Computer Coding Club

Signed: _____ parent/carer

"HOW TO HELP MY CHILD" MEETING

Child's Name: _____ **Class:** _____

I would like to attend the above meeting on Wednesday **November 18th** at 9:10am with Mrs Ellerton to learn how to help my child with his/her homework, and particularly with reading.

Signed: _____