

MARCHWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

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LOWER SCHOOL NEWSLETTER – SPRING TERM

Dear Parents

Welcome back after the Christmas break although that now seems like a distant memory as we all become immersed in the Spring term. Throughout the next term the children and staff are going to be kept very busy; the diary is already full and this is supposed to be the quiet term! Below you will find information on the topic focus for each curriculum area. If you do have any questions or queries please feel free to either pop in and see me, or make an appointment.

The subject focus areas for the term ahead are as follows:

Science: Materials and forces

ICT: Using the scanner and digital camera, combining text and graphics, using the internet and exploring simulation programmes

RE: Sacred places and the Pascal Candle

Art: Printing / Modrock African Masks

DT: Vehicles

Geography Rwanda/Africa

Music: Singing and African music

PE (Games/ Dance/ Gymnastics): Outdoor aerobic work, African dance, travelling and turning, swimming

PSHE: Staying safe

Circle time: Going for goals

Parents Evening (W/B 31st March): An opportunity to talk your children's teachers about their work during the term.

Additionally the children will be continuing with their French lessons. The teachers and children seem to be having fun learning school items, numbers, and short phrases to say hello, goodbye and introduce themselves.

Have you got...?

A small request from me: We are trying to put together a collection of money containers (wallets and purses) and old toy vehicles as a teaching resource for work in design Technology. If you have unwanted wallets, purses or toy vehicles that the school could keep, please could you send them in before the half term holiday. Also, if you have any spare beads please could you send them in for use on our African masks.

Reminders:

Please ensure that PE kits, coats, lunchboxes and any other personal items are all clearly labelled so that items can be quickly returned to their owners.

Thank you for your continued help and support.

Yours sincerely

Juliet Gill
Lower School Manager.