

MARCHWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER
27th May 2011

Dear Parents,

This week has been very busy at Marchwood! The children have enjoyed a range of experiences to help bring their learning alive.

Superschools

What an incredible afternoon to end the first half of the summer term! The excitement on our children's faces were a joy to watch when they met Larry Achike, listened to him talk about his experiences at two Olympic games and then saw him demonstrate the triple jump. I am sure he will have inspired lots of us to get jumping over the half term break! It was great to see the effort and enthusiasm of all of our children during the sponsored event and I know they will enjoy telling everyone about what they did and who they met when they collect their sponsor money over half term. Can all sponsor forms and money be returned to school by Friday 10th June? If a sponsor form didn't make it home before today, please come and collect one from the school office. The money raised will have a real impact on your children and the lives of talented children striving to achieve their Olympic dreams in 2016 and beyond. Money raised for our school will go towards additional ICT equipment for your children to enhance their ICT learning.

Decades Performance

Last night's decade performance was wonderful! The drama and dance club that Mrs Lane has run put on a special performance showing off their fabulous skills and talents. It really was a joy to behold. Although I enjoyed the singing, dancing and acting, what I really loved was the children's love of performing. The audience clearly enjoyed themselves judging by the applause and laughter. Mrs Lane, you did an incredible job (we enjoyed your acting skills too). Many thanks for giving our children yet another

opportunity to get involved in a club outside of school.

Chris Davis

On Wednesday, Year 4 welcomed Chris Davis from Southampton Church Mission. Chris and his team helped year 4 with their RE topic of water and Jesus' life. They enjoyed a range of learning activities including: a treasure hunt, and a collage to make their learning memorable. It is a pleasure to have Chris as part of our Marchwood Family. He will work with each year group over the coming terms.

ACE time

Both Upper and Lower School have welcomed parents into school this week. Attendance from parents or family members has been great as always. We welcome your support and interest in your child's learning. The last ACE sessions of the year will be on: 20th July at 2 pm for Lower School and 22nd July at 9 am for Upper School.

Praisin' Hands

Lower School enjoyed a special show from the Praisin' Hands Puppet Company on the theme of healthy eating following their chocolate topic last term. The children all really enjoyed their performance.

Class photos

These were taken on Monday using a different style of photography – I do hope you enjoy the results! They will be available shortly after half term for you to view and order if you choose.

Wedding photos and DVD

Today was the final day for ordering copies of the photos and dvd. If you completed an order, then your order will be sent home after half term.

School uniform

Can I take this opportunity to remind parents that white socks must be worn with sandals as part of the school uniform.

Design an Outfit Competition

On June 28th, Applemore College will be performing a Catwalk Show and Marchwood pupils have the chance to be involved too. We are holding a competition for the children to design an outfit on the theme of New York. The winning design will actually be created and shown at the Catwalk Show. The winner and runners up with the best designs will be invited to the show. Closing date for all entries is Fri 10th June and all entries should be returned to Miss Gill.

Lost coat

A pupil in 4R has lost a brown H & M coat. It is for ages 10/11 and has 2 sets of

buttons down the front. It was named, so please check your child's coat if it is a similar style to ensure she has the right one.

Mulberry Pre-School

As from Sept 2011, the pre-school will be extending its opening times from 8.30 am to 5.30 pm. For further info, please contact the organisers on 023.8066.0354.

I hope you enjoy a relaxing break. Next half term's dates can be found below.

Best wishes

Laurie Anderson

Dates for diary:

Monday 6 th June	Children return to School after half term holiday
Wednesday 8 th June	Sex Education DVD evening for US parents – 6.30 pm
Tuesday 14 th June	Celebration of Music evening – 7 pm
Thurs 16 th & Fri 17 th June	PTA - Fathers' Day Sales – during the afternoon
Weds 22 nd and Fri 24 th June	US 'Rivers' trip – letter to follow
Tues 28 th June	Year 5 cycle training starts
Weds 29 th June	Year 6 cycle training starts
Thursday 30 th June	Induction evening for Year 2 parents – 6 pm
Wednesday 6 th July	Year 6 Presentation Evening – 7 pm
Friday 8 th July	New classes' morning
Tuesday 12 th July	Lower School Sports' morning
Wednesday 13 th July	Upper School Sports' morning
Thursday 14 th July	Year 3 sleepover in school (letter to follow)
Wednesday 20 th July	Lower School ACE – 2 pm
Friday 22 nd July	Upper School ACE – 9 am
Tuesday 26 th July	Last day of term – children go home at 1.30 pm
INSET days for 2011-12	Monday 5th September, Monday 31st October, Tuesday 3rd January, Monday 16th April, Monday 23rd July