

MARCHWOOD JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER
16th December 2011

Dear Parents

Marchwood's Christmas Magic

The Christmas concerts on Tuesday were very special. Your children sing with such enthusiasm and joy! They looked fantastic on stage in their Marchwood Christmas Magic T-shirts. Thank you for your lovely feedback at the gate about the concerts. All credit must go to Mrs Richardson. She is brilliant at encouraging our children to sing beautifully and with a real love for singing together. Mr Bessant is also pretty amazing at making things look good with decent sound and lights. (But I don't tell him how good he is too often!) Thank you also to all the other staff who helped by assisting with the nativity or organising behind the scenes.

In addition, many thanks if you contributed to the end of concert collection. £174 was raised which has been matched by a local charitable foundation to make £348. A payment has been passed to the Society of St James to help homeless people in Southampton at Christmas time. Thank you!

LS ACE

LS enjoyed parents in school yesterday afternoon to celebrate the progress they have made this half term. Thank you if you managed to get into school for this. I know the children love sharing their learning with you.

Christmas Service

This morning we enjoyed our Christmas Service together. Each class shared a Christmas wish for the world. We reflected as a school family

that it is families being together that makes Christmas special.

£11,000!!!!

We were delighted to share in the Christmas service this morning that we received an email yesterday saying we had been successful in a bid to transform our science hut. It will be refurbished into a community room and will also become a dedicated space for our lovely ELSA, Mrs Wilton, to use. We have a number of children who need additional emotional support at school. This successful bid will enable Mrs Wilton and her children to have a calm and beautiful room to work in. We also aim to open the room to community use when refurbished – watch this space! It was wonderful to be able to share the news of the successful bid with the children and Mrs Wilton this morning – how exciting!

Thank You and Happy Christmas!

It has been an exciting and busy day in school today with parties everywhere! It has been a lovely end to a busy term.

A heartfelt thank you to parents from us for the fantastic support this term. We both love working at Marchwood with the dedicated staff and very special children.

Together everybody is helping to **Make Marchwood Magic!**

We wish you all a happy family Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Laurie Anderson Dave Bessant



Diary Dates:

Tuesday 3rd January

INSET Day – school closed to pupils

Wednesday 4th January

Pupils return to school

Tuesday 10th January

Year 6 trip to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard

Future INSET days

Monday 16th April & Monday 23rd July