

SCHOOL NEWS

Kingswood Residential Trip

The children in years five and six went on a residential trip to Kingswood Activity Centre in Staffordshire in the week following half term. *KATHLEEN MACNEE, CHLOE HOPGOOD* and *DAISY TURNEY* summed up their feelings about the trip:

It took us two hours to get there. We then went for a team meeting to find out about our activities, after which we settled into our dormitories. Thursday was packed full of exciting things including: 'night-line' (a blind-folded assault course), go-karting, making an animation-'movie' using computers, 'mission' (following clues to uncover the spy!!), archery and fencing.

After all that we needed a good meal, and that's certainly what we got! On Friday we got a real bonus because it snowed! GREAT! The whole trip was a wonderful experience and excellent fun.

I would like to thank Pam Rook for organising and going on the trip, together with Mr Upjohn for volunteering to join in...I've heard he had a great time.

Fantastic Footballers

This report has been compiled by two players, GUY GILES and DAVID MARSH

The Marcham School Football Team played in Drayton on Wednesday 17 march in the final of the Small Schools 7 Aside Competition. By half time it was 2:1, a close-fought game. In the second half , Marcham came out brilliantly, scoring two goals in the first minute. It finished with a final score of 7:2, with Jack Everley, the captain, lifting the cup victoriously.

This really was a fantastic match to watch, with all the players working as a team, showing good sporting behaviour and some fantastic passes. I would like to thank Chris Ricketts, aided by Maria Coates, for their tireless coaching and support for all our footballers.

Clusters of Music on a Watery Theme

This week Key Stage One and Reception children welcomed all the other Cluster schools for the Infant Cluster Musical-H2O. We had a lovely morning singing the songs we had learned, whilst Mrs Liz Stock, from the County Music Service, conducted and taught us some actions to go with the words.

'I liked all the actions' *NATALIE* (aged 7)

'My favourite song was The Hydrologic Cycle Rig' *EMILY* (aged 41/2)

'I likes 'Snowflakes' because I love snow' Johanna (aged 5)

'I liked the happy tune of 'Jacky Jacky Jack Frost' (*JOSH*, aged 5)

'I really liked the dance that Sunningwell school did' (*SARAH*, aged 7).

A wonderful morning was had by all, and even the teachers and teaching assistants couldn't help but join in with such catchy tunes. (Written by Kat Lamb, our Early Years Co-ordinator.)

I am exhausted just thinking about the great variety of activities the children are learning from.....Oh, and I must remember to ask Emily (aged 41/2) about the hydrologic cycle!! Wishing you all a busy spring break from everyone at Marcham Primary School.

LESLEY CLARK

THE MARCHAM PLAYERS

present

"Table Manners"

by Alan Ayckbourn

(the first play in "The Norman Conquests" trilogy

at The Institute, North St, Marcham

on Friday 7 and Saturday 8 May 2004

Performances start 7.30 doors open 7pm

Tickets £5.50 and £5.00 (concs)

Available from mid-April from The Post Office

or Joey Maclean (391242)

Our last production in The Institute you know and love!

FRILFORD ST PETER'S WI

Our April meeting will be held at Duffield Place on Friday 16 April at 2pm. I am sure members will be pleased to welcome the return visit of Mrs Joyce Cotterill, who will follow her previous talk about the WW2 experiences in an International Camp in China, by telling us about her life in another area of Asia in more peaceful times. Visitors will be very welcome.

WE HARMAN

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Before any club news, sadly we've lost two of our members: one of the longest and oldest being Florrie Stone, who didn't attend our meetings but has supported the club from the start. We shall miss seeing her standing at her gate (always ready for a chat). Also Peggy Tarasewicz, who really enjoyed the meetings and telling us some amusing tales – we shall miss her wit and smiling face. God bless them both.

It was nice to see so many at our last meeting (the AGM) held 26 Feb owing to the January meeting being cancelled because of the bad weather. The committee all agreed to carry on as before, subs remained the same as last year, soon we shall see if we can offer a place to people who have their names down to join the club.

Two special birthdays this month: Mrs P Wright and Mrs F Batchelor, we hope they both had a lovely day.

We had another lunch outing to the Windmill 18 March, everyone enjoyed it (as usual), we then went on to Yarnton Garden Centre, where several of us bought plants etc. We had a cup of tea before leaving and a raffle was held on the coach.

Tea and biscuits ended our meeting with our Christmas cake cut and passed round and as usual the raffle.

29 April meeting will include table top & clothes sale .

BETTY REED & EDNA CAUDLE

**GREEN BOX AND WASTE COLLECTIONS
APRIL 2004**

Normal Day	Will be...
Friday 9	Tuesday 13
Monday 12	Wednesday 14
Tuesday 13	Thursday 15
Wednesday 14	Friday 16
Thursday 15	Saturday 17
Friday 16	Monday 19
Monday 19	Tuesday 20
Tuesday 20	Wednesday 21
Wednesday 21	Thursday 22
Thursday 22	Friday 23
Friday 23 April	Saturday 24

SWANAGE

Enjoy a holiday in beautiful Dorset and stay in this ground floor flat overlooking the sea. The flat comprises two bedrooms, living room with well-equipped kitchen area, bathroom and separate WC. Outside is a patio and communal lawn. Children welcome.

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