

NEWS FROM MARCHAM SCHOOL

Duffield Class takes a trip to Farmer Gows

Our Work this term is focusing on living things. In order to give the children some first hand experiences of farm animals and their young we went on a day trip to Farmer Gows in Appleton. We spent the day at the farm and enjoyed helping to feed the animals and collecting eggs. There was plenty of time to play on toy tractors as well as a game of hide and seek in the giant hay stack.

Children's comments:

Robyn C I liked feeding the lambs; it felt funny when they were sucking on their bottles • *Sam R* I liked climbing through the hay stack, it was really dark inside • *Tina* The baby chicks were really cute, you had to hold them carefully

Duffield Class has reception and some year 1 children

Acknowledgement

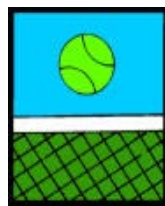
Thank you for all the support and kind thoughts expressed in the many sympathy cards and flowers received from the Marcham School community and beyond, following the recent death of my husband, Jeremy.

Pam Rook

MAY CROSSWORD ANSWERS BY ALISA

ACROSS: 2 Got 6 Rowan 7 Capital 9 OK 10 Og 13 Alley 14 Harbour 15 Tar 17 Vegetable 18 Pie 19 Bramble 22 Verdi 24 Ye 25 At 27 Gym shoe 28 Decoy 29 Don

DOWN: 1 Cocoa 2 Gas 3 On 4 Pike 5 Clog 7 Charity Bike 8 Polar bear 11 Grove 12 Longworth 14 Harp 15 Tenby 16 Ride 20 Lemon 21 Sage 23 East 26 Pen 28 Do



MARCHAM TENNIS ASSOCIATION

The locks to the courts were changed on 25 May 2007 If you missed the sign-up sessions, then contact Meriel on 01865 391725.

Membership fees for 2007- 2008 are:
 Family:£44
 Adult:£22
 Junior (under 18 years):..... £14

MARCHAM CRICKET CLUB

The 1st and 2nd teams won their respective opening matches of the OCA 2007 season. Sadly, many of the fixtures for 12th May were cancelled or stopped due to rain. The 2nd XI match against Shrivenham 2nd XI was cancelled. However, the 1st XI fixture at Marcham was played and resulted in a win for the Club (Faringdon 127-Marcham 224). Fixtures for June are as follows:



June	1st XI	2nd XI
2nd	Airey Cup 2nd Round <i>home</i>	Osberton Cup 2nd Round <i>away</i>
9th	Watlington <i>home</i>	Wantage <i>away</i>
16th	Freeland <i>away</i>	Westbury 2nd XI <i>home</i>
23rd	E&W Hendred <i>home</i>	Risinghurst <i>away</i>
30th	Letcombe <i>away</i>	West Isley 2nd XI <i>home</i>

This month's historical item is taken from a report in Marcham Church news of June 1925. Under the heading "Cricket Club Results to Date" it was noted that Marcham had played four, won three and lost one and Garford had played five, won four and lost one. Although it may seem stunningly obvious that if, for example, a team play for matches and wins three then it has probably lost one, the nature of cricket is such that other outcomes may be envisaged. As is usual, information relating to the Club may be obtained from Graham Hill (391415) or Terry Whittaker (391317).

CSB

If you run or are a member of a group,

June 2007

Marcham School PTA Events

Summer Fete Saturday 16th June 2-4p.m

- Bouncy Castle
- Face Painting
- Beer Tent
- Lucky Dip
- Tombola
- BBQ
- Penalty Shoot
- Cake Stalls

Entrance 50p per adult, children free



PRE-SCHOOL NEWS

This term we have been looking at the theme 'all around us' and after decorating houses and looking at different families we went for a walk around the village and re-created the post office and the garage in pre-school! We then looked 'around the town' and the children have had lots of fun being policemen and arresting everyone and taking their fingerprints.

The children are continuing to enjoy our story sacks scheme where they borrow a book, toys and games for a popular story to enjoy at home. We've just added The Gruffalo to our collection, which also includes Dear Zoo, Harry & the Dinosaurs, Goldilocks and many more...

If you would like a prospectus or to arrange a visit please contact us on 07749 245313 or e:mail marcham-preschool@hotmail.co.uk

BMX RIDERS ARE SORRY FOR DAMAGE AND APPEAL FOR A PLACE TO RIDE

Four young men are repairing damage they caused to private land in Abingdon after they turned it into a BMX cycle track. The land is owned by English Nature Conservancy who complained to police after they discovered the track in an area behind Cothill School. The BMX enthusiasts were unaware that this was private land and have accepted a caution and agreed to mend the damaged fence surrounding the Nature Reserve.



Laurance Williams said: "We didn't realise this was private land and we are helping to put it back to how we found it and repairing a fence for ENC which had fallen down. Its difficult to find somewhere suitable to ride our BMXs. We are looking for anyone who might have suitable land we could use. It needs to be clay soil. At the moment we have to travel as far as Winchester to ride."

PC Paul Reece said: "The lads genuinely didn't realise they were breaking the law so they now want to make amends. Since they have been so cooperative and apologetic we would like to find somewhere that they can use as a BMX track and we are appealing for landowners in the area to contact us if they can provide some land for them to ride their BMXs on."

Contact PC Reece via 0845 8 505 505.

The boys pictured (left to right) are Laurance Williams, 23, from Grove; Darren Parker, 22 from Wantage, Liam Eltham, 20, Sparsholt. The man kneeling down is ENC man Graham Stephen.

why not write a short report about it?