

NEWS FROM MARCHAM SCHOOL

The school has started off to a very busy year. Over the holidays a new classroom was built to accommodate the number of new children from Marcham to be able to attend the school. On 15th October, the new Early Years Unit of Marcham School was opened by its pupils. The Headteacher thanked everyone who was involved in making this classroom happen, including the neighbours for putting up with the disruption caused by the new build. Parents, neighbours, Parish and County Councillors were all invited to come and look around the school, being chaperoned by the new School Council members. Children from Years 3 – 6 (aged 7 – 11) gave a superb singing rendition of some songs from the previous school play “Toad of Toad Hall”. Some of the youngest children were asked to give their views on what they thought of their new classroom:-

- “I like the new classroom because we have lots of space.” Edward
- “I like the building because they done lots of work on it.” Rachel
- “There’s new things and new toys.” Ryan
- “I like the decking because I can be on there when there is no-one outside. It feels like we have got the playground to ourselves”
- “I like the doors. You can pull them and they all come out at once.” William
- “I like the colours and lights.” Dyllin
- “I like the writing area cos I can make things.” Luke
- “I like all the things to play with.” Bo
- “I like the rules.” Tori

The older children in Denman class went to a PGL activity centre in Weymouth for 3 days. Money was donated by the PTA to help pay towards the bed linen costs. This is what some of the children thought of their experiences:

At our residential trip we did a number of activities. The whole class enjoyed them and so did the teachers. Some of our favourite activities were zip wire, sensory trail, survivor and Jacob’s Ladder. Lots of the activities involved team work which all of us used. There were certain patterns we had to learn for certain activities like rock climbing and Jacob’s Ladder:

Sensory trail	<i>V</i>	<i>Knee</i>	<i>1, 2, 3.</i>
Smell and sight			
Excellent teacher			
Non-stop laughter			
Soaking wet clothes			
Occasionally scary			
Really fun			
Yelling instructions			
Tricky tunnels			
Rib-shattering experience			
Always helping others			
Incredibly hard			
Lots of people falling over.			

Jess, Jake and Flynn

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Duffield Class Duffield acted the story of the Little Red Hen. It showed that the people who didn’t help didn’t get any of the bread. The Little Red Hen did all of the work. It was just fantastic when they all enjoyed it. You could see that poor Barney was sad, hopefully they won’t do it again. The song was really good because all the children knew it.

Anson Class Anson showed that some birds like eating lots of seeds. The weeds were trying to kill the sunflowers. The farmer, who was Jake Bateman, is getting cross when all his seeds are being eaten by the birds.

Morland Class Morland class did a great show about putting other things like food and drink in a basket for the less fortunate people. Everyone tried their best and everyone enjoyed it. It was *November 2009*

very interesting and good. The things that went in the basket were a toy, seeds, a paint pallet, books and a play about somebody helping some people in need. Morland definitely showed the parents how hard we work in this school.

Denman Class Denman did a fantastic presentation about water saving, it was very good and it had three parts. In the first part Harry and Dylan went round a house checking if the taps were turned off. The second part was about the water cycle. The last part was about the work of Uganda and that Watsan helped Uganda. Everyone thought it was very good. Denman class did their best and made Marcham School proud.

MOLLY C, EMILY W AND MIA H

MARCHAM PRE-SCHOOL NEWS

At Pre-school we have been digging for treasure, making maps, and parrots. “When I made my parrot I stuck things on. I painted my hands for the wings and slid it down to the bottom for the tail” - Evie, age 3. The children have had lots of fun with all the new resources we’ve just received from Tesco Computers for School Vouchers. We have received some squidgy numbers, wooden fairytale characters, recordable number boards, a wooden pulley, sensory fabric cushions and lots more! Thank you to everyone who contributed vouchers.



If you would like a prospectus or application form please contact us on 07749 245313 or marcham-preschool@hotmail.co.uk.

MARION, NICKY AND KATHARINE.



“Café: come along, very friendly, meals very good, welcome to all young & old”
“A warm welcome, meeting friends, and

super home cooked food always. Truly a wonderful village asset.”

“A hot roast meal and a choice of desserts, superb quality, which as a single person one would not cook for oneself; much appreciated.”

“To all you lovely ladies at café. Thank you all so much for the lovely meals served each week. It is always very much enjoyed, a real pleasure to come.”

“So good to have a hot meal at midday during the winter. Always a pleasure to be welcomed & to meet ones friends & catch up with local news.”

“Enjoy coming to café the food is very good, the company is also good”

“My wife and me love to come to the café, the meals are all fresh veg, the sweets: you are spoilt for choice; we cant wait for next week to come”

“I greatly enjoy the Wed. lunch. I look forward to every week.”

I have not given you all the lovely comments that folk wrote down for me to show you in MAD news, and what I can’t print here are the colourful pictures that the children have drawn. So you see café is for everyone. I do realize it could be difficult to walk in on your own, but be brave! We do try to look out for new friends. If you are unable to walk to café please give me a ring (391373) or Sheila Dunford (391439) and we will arrange for someone to give you a lift in a car. We have an extra special (all home made!) Christmas dinner on Dec.16th, but you do need to sign up for that dinner. Café takes place on Wednesdays during the school term time at about midday in the Sports and Social Club on the Anson Field. See you there!

JENNY ALLAN