Lower Heath CE Primary School
Part of the Marches Academy Trust

WEEKLY 'HEAD'-LINES

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Our half term has, yet again, flown by quickly, and today has been a really positive way to end. Thanks to everyone who has supported our fundraiser today for Jays Bereavement Group – it has been great to see so many children in non-uniform to support this event, and they all seemed to really enjoy the cake sale too!

Owl Class have had their visit from the museum today to find out what life was like in Anglo-Saxon times! I look forward to updating you on what they learnt in our next bulletin!

We return to school on Tuesday 25th February, as Monday 24th February is a training day for staff. During that first week back, Skylark will have their final forest school session, and Kingfisher's will begin the following week, so that is something exciting for them to look forward to.

We hope you all have a super half term break, and look forward to seeing you again on the 25th February.

Mrs Deborah Sadler
Headteacher

REMINDERS & NOTICES

Forest School

In addition to the forest school sessions which take place weekly for children in Nursery and Robin Class, we are really pleased to be welcoming back Miss Mifflin, our visiting Forest School Leader, who will be running sessions for our other classes. The first class to take part will be **Skylark Class, and they will require their forest school kit on the following date:**

Wednesday 26th February

Kingfisher Class will have their sessions during March and April, with Owl Class having theirs in June and July.

Goodbye, Miss Kempson

Today is a sad day for our school community, as Miss Kempson has completed her last day as a Lunchtime Supervisor at Lower Heath.

Sarah has been a valuable member of our team and we have all very much enjoyed working with her. We will miss her a great deal.

We wish her well, but as she still has children at the school, we know she will be keeping in touch with us all.

Thank you for all of your hard work, Miss Kempson!!!

Parent Workshops

Parent Workshops will be taking place on the afternoon of Friday 6th March. We will be sharing with parents the assessments coming up for Years 1, 2, 4 and 6, and giving parents some ideas as to how they can help their children at home. The session will run from 2:00-3:30pm. Parents can come for the whole session or just the section(s) relevant to their child(ren). The approximate timings for each section are:

- Year 1 Phonics – 2:00pm.
- Year 2 SATS - 2:20pm.
- Year 4 Multiplication check - 2:40pm.
- Year 6 SATs – 3:00pm.

Car Park and Road Safety

We have had some concerns raised recently about safety out on the road. The road is a public highway, so we are unable to impose guidelines about safe usage, but it would be much appreciated if parents could avoid turning in the road outside our school during these busy times, as this causes an additional danger.

Please also take care when you leave our car park. If you are turning left, please also remember to check that there is no traffic approaching FROM THE LEFT as well as the right – sometimes cars are overtaking the queuing traffic as a parent is pulling out of the gate, and we have had several near misses.

Lastly, parents should only turn RIGHT into our car park entrance. As you do so, please check that nothing is overtaking the queue of cars waiting to turn in – again, we have had some parents very nearly involved in an accident. Thank you.

Exciting Times for the Trust

Oakmeadow CE Primary and Nursery School, located in Bayston Hill, is looking to join The Marches Academy Trust on 1st April 2020.

World Book Day

Advanced notice that we are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5th March, pupils will need to get their book character costumes ready! More details about the exciting events planned for the day will be sent home during the first week back.

WORSHIP

Our theme for this next half term will be Easter. We will be learning about Lent, Holy Week and the meaning of Easter itself. If your child(ren) would like to prepare a prayer or something to share during worship linked to this theme, they would be very welcome.

CELEBRATION

Happy Birthday to:
Zak, who celebrated his birthday this week, and to Franky and Mr Davies (Teaching Assistant) whose birthdays are during half term.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Click here to view our upcoming events.
Events at a glance:

- **Half Term,** 17th to 21st February.
- **PD Day,** 24th February.
- **Pupils return to school,** 25th February.
- **Parents' Evening,** 26th & 27th February - Any appointments requested have now been sent home in book bags.
- **Skylark Class Forest School,** 26th February.
- **Kingfisher Class Community Lunch,** 2nd March.

Click here to view our term dates.

AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week's Headteacher Award winners, who are:

Robin Class: Charlie W and Olly S.

Skylark Class: Imogen, Poppy E, Tilly, Sam and Bess.

Kingfisher Class: Tristan, Ava and Bill.

Owl Class: Evan, Bryn, Beau and Amy.

NEWS

Click here to view what our students have been up to recently.

A few highlights include:
- Skylark Forest School update.
- Nursery 'Somebody swallowed Stanley'.
- Owl Class lead worship.
- Skylark learn about fires in Forest School.

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