

BE THE BEST THAT YOU CAN BE

MARVELS LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL

INTERNATIONAL EVENING and MUSIC EXTRAVAGANZA



We are planning a new event for International Evening this year.....

A Music Extravaganza (or concert!) in which all of our musicians from Year 3 upwards will perform in front of an audience. The concert will include drums, guitars, brass, violins, singing, dancing and hopefully some guest appearances from some ex-pupils.

The idea is that it will be a chance for us to celebrate the wide range of musical opportunities available in the school and give the children a chance to show off their achievements in front of an audience.

The date is **Wednesday 27th March**. The plan for the afternoon / evening would be that the concert would run in the Top Hall from 4.15pm to 5.15ish. Everybody would then move to the

bottom hall for International Evening food and drink from 5.30pm to 7.00pm.

There will be crèches available for younger children who can't come to the concert but do want to come to the International Evening.

The theme would be, as usual, everyone dressing smartly in clothes that reflect their culture, with hopefully as many people as possible bringing a national food dish to share. Mrs. Khan and others will be trying to get an idea of who will be providing food over the next few weeks, so please let her know if you can make something.



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READING AT MARVELS LANE

YEAR 2 READING SHACK

Mrs. Denman and a couple of willing volunteers are coming in over half term to renovate the Year 2 Reading Shack.

If anyone has any colourful paint, off-cuts of carpets or rugs or even a small armchair or sofa, please would they be

able to bring them into school Monday or Tuesday over half term.

Likewise, any children's books or comics that are still in good condition and would be suitable for children 5-8 years old would be gratefully received.

WORLD BOOK DAY

We will be dressing up for World book day on **Thursday 7th March**.

We will also be celebrating by having a visiting poet called James Carter on Tuesday 19th March. His website is:

www.jamescarterpoet.co.uk



ATTENDANCE and PUNCTUALITY



Since the snow, our attendance has been the best that it has ever been.

Our attendance last week was over **96%**

Two weeks ago I gave out 10 class certificates for over 95%, and last week for the first time I gave 14 class certificates.

It has also been really good to see the extra effort children are making to get to school on time.

The **Privilege Cards** seem to be having a good effect.

In case you haven't heard, any child who has come to school on time every day goes into a random draw to win a Privilege

Card for a week.

One child from each year group then gets the opportunity to take a friend into lunch whenever they want, sit on a chair during assembly and any other special privileges their teacher might think up.

.....they've got to be in it to win it!

Don't forget that if you would like to see the school in action there are monthly tours for new and existing parents.

The next one is Tuesday 12th March at 9.10am

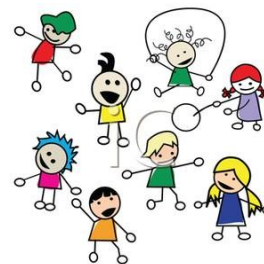
FITNESS CLUB

This takes place on a Tuesday morning at 8.15am with Coach Arthur.

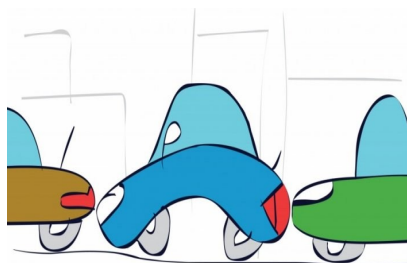
As the name suggests, it is an excellent way for your child to stay/get fit and I have also managed

to secure some funding to Alternatively, if your cover the cost for the rest of the year, so this club will ing the waiting list for be free until July. any of our other clubs, please contact the office.

If you would like your child to join, please write a note giving your permission and hand it into the office.



PARKING



Unfortunately, I have received several complaints over the past weeks about parents parking outside the school.

Firstly, more than one resident has asked if parents would not park over their driveways.

Secondly, I have been told that some children are getting out of their cars on the opposite side of the road and crossing the road without being accompanied or looking where they are going.

Finally, the yellow zig-

zags are being ignored by some.

Obviously, the potential dangers are very high, even with the road humps on Riddons Road.

Please help to keep yours and all our children safe.

PTFA

CLOTHES BAGS

The PTFA have asked me to hand out clothes bags.

Please would you fill them with any clothes you no longer need no matter what the condition.

A company takes them away and then pays us for the weight. The money collected will go towards PTFA funds.

Unfortunately, we don't have space to store them, so please bring your bag to school on the morning of the collection day which is **Wednesday March 6th**.

PENNY JARS

We have not done this for ages.....

Each class will be given a big sweet jar which they have to fill with coppers and 5ps.

If you have any spare 1ps, 2p, or 5ps please just send them in with your child and they'll go into the jar.

There will be weekly updates in assembly and then at the end of term, the class with the most will be able to keep the money for themselves, the rest will go towards the PTFA.

TABLE TOP SALE

The PTFA are keen to try another Table Top Sale.

The date for this has been decided as **Saturday 23rd March**. It will take place in the Lower Playground with a portion of the profits going to the PTFA. More information to follow.



In the meantime, if anyone has any ideas on how they think the PTFA might spend the money they raise to improve the education and opportunities for the children, please let me or a member of staff or a member of the PTFA know.

CHILDREN'S CENTRE

Please check the timetable after half term for any changes.

BABY MASSAGE will be one of the new sessions that will be starting next half term.

You will also be very welcome to come to the **COFFEE MORNING**,

which takes place every Wednesday morning from 9.00am - 10.30am. This is just a chance to meet with other parents informally over a coffee and a biscuit or two.

The Centre can also help you if you are looking to get back into employment.

In fact there are many ways that the Children's Centre is able to support your family (particularly if you have a child under 5).

If you would like to find out more please just walk in and speak with Mrs. Christine Turner, who runs the Centre.



CONGRATULATIONS to

The following children were mentioned in the Golden Book
this half term for exceptional achievements in their learning:

In Year 6: Paris, Raheem, Lewis, Zhathushan, Aleena,
Gyula, Charlotte, Georgia, Peluolami, Alfie

In Year 5: Mekhi, Diana, Toma, Jeremiah, Sam

In Year 4: Reigan, Shayleigh, David, Jagi, Cindy, Zuriel,
Marissa, Viktorija, Jack

In Year 3: Fredde, Chloe, Honeymae, Leighton, Cassius,
Oladipupo, Chrisitana

In Year 2: Elle, Adam, Demi-Lee, Mason, Anushan, Megan,
Joshua, Dean

In Year 1 and Reception there have been lots I am sorry, we
have misplaced their Golden Book!!



VALUES WORDS for next half term.....

CONFIDENCE

FREEDOM

I hope you like the new Newsletter format.

**If you have any suggestions about how we could improve it
further please let me know.**

Edward Dove Headteacher