Weekly newsletter 2.2.24

Headteacher's welcome



Happy Friday! This week ended with a visitor who excited most children - The Gruffalo! Mr Wilson had dressed up for the Words in the Woods on Wednesday so thought he would surprise other children and headed to the nursery to read a story. The Year 6's were not too old for a visit!!

We have one final week of term and the children are finishing off topics and texts. They have focused on being active learners this term and we are seeing an increased effort to participate in lessons. Year 4 won the challenge to do this every lesson and we will celebrate their achievement next Friday before their assembly. Well done Year 4.

Our library renovation is coming along nicely, with some donated paint arriving today. Our PTA and a team of volunteers have been supporting us and we hope to launch the space soon. New books are arriving and continue to be donated via our Amazon wishlist, which is incredibly generous of people. We now have a whole poetry shelf ready to organise.

At the end of the term, there will be a PTA bake sale (poster above). If you can donate a cake/cakes, please bring them to the office next Friday morning. Don't forget your coins at the end of the day to purchase some.





Learning in Key Stage 1

Our Year 2 pupils went on a visit to the Living Rainforest to link with their science learning. They saw many animals in the very warm environment, behaved brilliantly and added even more to their knowledge of living things.





Fine art club



This work has been produced by our fine art club and is fantastic! We had to share it.





Football (Match 1)

For our first match of the week, our U11 girls entered a competition with many other schools and reached the semi-final. Many of the coaches came to see Miss Henderson to tell her that they were 'backing New Marston!'

Scores for the games:

Game 1 vs St Michael's 4-0 (Nakita 1, Bella 1, Gwen 2)

Game 2 vs Beachborough 4-0 (Bella 3, Nakita 1)

Game 3 Claire's Court 3-0 (Grace 2, Bella 3)

Semi-final - lost on penalties

Third place 0-0 Bella and Roheea scored penalties and we came overall 3rd.



Football (Match 2)



New Marston 3 - 1 St. Nicholas

The second football fixture of the week for the school and the second fixture in two days for Bella. This time, the opponents were local school St. Nicks in the second game of the U11 Mixed competition.

New Marston, having previously beaten St. Michael's 2-1, needed a win to keep their hopes of qualifying for the next round up and they started the first half on top. Karanveer in goal had little to do on a cold evening but to warm his own hands up in his gloves while New Marston's midfield and forwards saw all the action. There were some really good exchanges from Reuben J, Bella, Antoni, Matteo and Bukho which carved open chance after chance, but the St. Nicks keeper stood firm and was having a sensational game in goal.

Antoni came closest, and thought he must have scored when his efforted from a corner rocketed off the crossbar with the keeper stood still. 0-0 at the break, it was just a matter of finding a goal or two in the second half, and they didn't have to wait much longer. A Bella corner found Antoni who steered into the back of the net from close range.

St. Nicks were limited with their possession in our half, and Reuben E and Ryan dealt with all potentially dangerous situations calmly. But their chance to get back into the game did come after a somewhat fortuitous corner and penalty decision saw them equalise with their first shot from the spot. But New Marston were able to keep their heads and carry on playing. Again, the St. Nicks keeper was at the rescue as Matteo and Antoni saw further efforts well-saved. And then with just a few minutes remaining, Antoni was fouled in the box and a penalty was given. Antoni's powerful drive was unbelievably stopped again, but he was able to bundle in the rebound to regain the lead. And then almost immediately from kick off, the goal and moment of the game. Antoni pressed down the pass from kick off, Bukho intercepted the pass and then, without breaking stride, pirouetted past 1,2,3 defenders to put him through on goal and effortlessly stroke the ball into the bottom corner. A goal worthy of winning any game.

All of the league tables and cup competitions are regularly updated and you can keep track of our progress on the web link

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The 2023-24 dates can be found <u>here</u>.

- 9.2.24 Y4 assembly (2.40pm)
- 9.2.24 School finishes for half term
- 19.2.24 Term 4 starts
- 19.2.24 Science week