## MARLCLIFFE MAIL

Volume 2 Issue 3 26.11.24



## Y6 RESIDENTIAL TO NEWBY WISKE HALL

The Y6 had an absolute blast on their residential at Newby Wiske Hall and represented Marlcliffe fabulously. They conquered their fear of heights on the giant swing, Jacob's ladder and climbing wall. Built their team work and communication skills on the blind trail and during problem-solving tasks. Became the ultimate survivors in the wild by building dens and lighting fires and let their competitive side show in archery tag and fencing! It was lovely to see the children's independence grow and the care and compassion they showed each other was amazing! Thank you to all of the staff that attended the event.





## SHARE-A-STORY

On Friday 22nd November, we held a "Share-a-Story" session in school. This involved classes across school being paired up and getting the opportunity to share a story together. It was lovely seeing the older children being storytellers for our younger children. It was a great way to build our school community as well as further encourage a love of reading. We plan on running more share-a-story sessions over the course of the year.



## ATTENDANCE NEWS

UP TO 22.11.24

RECEPTION	95.5%
YEAR 1	97.2%
YEAR 2	97%
YEAR 3	96.5%
YEAR 4	97.7%
YEAR 5	95.2%
YEAR 6	96.5%
WHOLE SCHOOL	96.5%





THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER- CHRISTMAS FAIR
THURSDAY 12TH DECEMBER- CHRISTMAS
DINNER DAY AND CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY
FRIDAY 20TH DECEMBER- LAST DAY OF TERM
MONDAY 6TH JANUARY- INSET DAY
TUESDAY 7TH JANUARY- CHILDREN RETURN TO
SCHOOL



## LIBRARY RENOVATION

96%

School

Target

The renovation of the library is now well underway and we are please to say that we have reached a stage where it now can be used by the children. Lots of new books have been added to the library stock and the books have been arranged to make them more appealing to the children. We still have some additions to make. These include comfy seating for the children to use when visiting the library, more new books to be added and also a storytelling chair. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support of our sponsored reading event and also our library furniture appeal as this would have not been possible without your support. Thank you!



## HOT CHOCOLATE WITH THE HEAD

Since the last edition of the Marlcliffe Mail, I have held more Hot Chocolate with the Head sessions. I always enjoy running these events as they give me a wonderful opportunity to talk with the children and get to know them a bit better. The most recent attendees have included: Y5/G- Mollie, Darcie, Lydia, Harry and Poppy





### Christmas Jumper Day

We will be celebrating Christmas Jumper Day on Thursday 12th December to raise money for Save the Children.

# Christmas at Markeliffe

#### Christmas Parties

Reception Wednesday 18th December

KS

Thursday 19th December

Y3/4

Tuesday 17th December

Y5/6

Friday 20th December

Children can bring party clothes to change into before their party

#### Carols at Church

On Wednesday 18th December, children in KS2 will take part in a Carol Service at Wadsley Church.

#### Christmas Fair

Our annual Christmas Fair is on Thursday 5th December. Come along and help raise money for school.

#### Reading Elves

We have been joined by some Reading Elves again here at Marlcliffe. Each child will have the opportunity to have a sleepover with one of our elves and share a Christmas book.

#### Christmas Shows

Reception Tuesday 10th Dec 9130am Wednesday 11th Dec 2115pm

KS<sub>1</sub>

Tuesday 10th Dec 2:00pm Wednesday 11th Dec 9:15am

Y3/4

Friday 13th Dec- 2:30pm Monday 16th Dec- 2:30pm

Y5/6

Monday 9th Dec-2:30pm Thursday 12th Dec-2:30pm

#### Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner day will be on Thursday 12th December.

#### KS1 Christingle

On Tuesday 26th November children in KS1 will be taking part in a Christingle Service in school with Wadsley Church

## **BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS**

At this time of year, we often get asked about recommendations for books for children. Books for Topics have produced some great gift guides for different age ranges which include new titles, non-fiction books and award winning books. There are different lists for 3-5 years, 5-7 years, 7-9 years and 9-11 years. They are available through <a href="https://www.booksfortopics.com/gift-guides">www.booksfortopics.com/gift-guides</a> We hope you find them useful.



## SEND UPDATE

Thank you so much to all of the parents who have returned the SEND questionnaires we sent out. The responses so far have been really positive, particularly about the support offered by class teachers for children with SEND and their families. There's still lots of time to send in your form if you have a child on the SEND register.

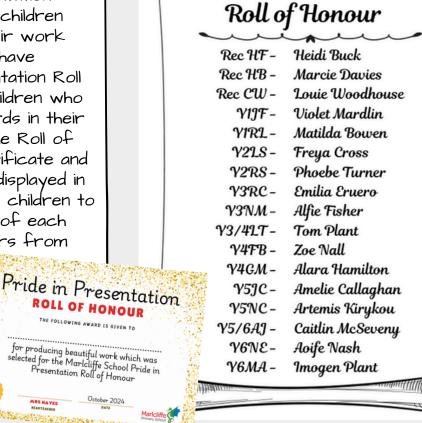
We have been researching the Right to Choose pathway to Autism and ADHD diagnosis as I have had a number of parents ask questions about the waiting list for Ryegate and if this can be shortened in any way. Please feel free to get in touch via the enquiries email address if you would like to find out more.

We have some family learning sessions planned for the spring term. These will focus on how to support children with Emotional Regulation, Autism and ADHD. Keep an eye out for letters which should come out soon. Places are first come first serve (around 15 per session).

## PRIDE IN PRESENTATION

Here at Markliffe, we want all of our children to take great pride in their work. We have Pride in Presentation agreements in school that the children use as a reminder to what their work should look like. This year, we have introduced the Pride in Presentation Roll of Honour and this includes children who have shown super high standards in their presentation. The children in the Roll of Honour, receive a special certificate and a golden pencil. Their work is displayed in the Infant Hall. We will add new children to the Roll of Honour at the end of each half-term. Here are our winners from last half-term.





Pride in Presentation

## **BOOKS GALORE!**

We took delivery of our Usborne Book order last week. Seventeen boxes of brand new books arrived in school thanks to our sponsored reading event. We can't wait to get these into the library and classrooms for the children to enjoy.







## WHAT'S ON? **WINN GARDENS**



#### MONDAYS

Premier League Kicks (8 - 18 years old)

Football session led by SWFC from 5 to 6pm on the sports court.

#### TUESDAYS

#### Walk & Talk

Walking group meeting at 10am at the TARA office - 126 Winn Drive. Come along to meet others and enjoy the outdoors.

#### The Call - Kids Club (5 - 11 years old)

After school kids club including snack and activities from 3:30 to 5pm at the Pavilion. Children attending will require parental consent; please attend with your child for their first session to complete a parental

On the fourth Tuesday of each month, kids club will be a Messy Church session - parents are required to attend Messy Church.

#### **Creative Cafe**

Craft group meeting between 12 and 3pm at the Pavilion; a time to meet with others while crafting.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Joel Hamer on:

Communitypioneer@stjb.org.uk / 07852632504

SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN THE WINN GARDENS WHATSAPP