



# Merry Hill Matters

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## **Mr Whitaker**

We say farewell to our caretaker, Mr Whitaker tomorrow. We would like to thank Mr Whitaker for all his hard work over the years and his commitment to the school. We all wish him well as he starts his retirement.

## **Miss Cooper**

As many of you will be aware, Miss Cooper, the Nursery teacher, is currently on maternity leave. Miss Cooper is enjoying being a new mum so much that she has decided not to return to full time teaching and will instead act as a regular supply teacher at Merry Hill. We look forward to seeing Miss Cooper in school in the Summer Term.

## **Miss O'Brien**

Miss O'Brien has been covering Miss Cooper's maternity leave this academic year and so will now be able to stay on at Merry Hill. We are very pleased to welcome Miss O'Brien as a permanent member of the Merry Hill team.

## **Year 1 Show**

Year 1 did themselves proud this week with their production of 'Jackward and the Beanstalk' - another outstanding show written by Mrs Summers. Many thanks go to Mrs Summers and Miss Honnor who directed the show, ably assisted by Mrs Tunwell, Mrs Oldfield and Mrs Read. Thank you also to Mr Whitaker and to the many parents who helped behind the scenes.

## **Exit Collection**

The exit collection from 'Jackward and the Beanstalk' raised £130, which we will be sending to Race for Life.

## **Easter Shopping Reminders...**

### **...Shoes and Sandals**

For the health and safety of all pupils please ensure that shoes and sandals are appropriate for school. Running around the playground and climbing on the apparatus with wedged, strappy or high heels is not a sensible option. No open toes or sling backs please. Children must wear socks with their shoes.

### **...Plimsolls**

Little feet grow quickly. Please check your children's plimsolls ready for outside PE lessons after Easter.

### **...Insulated Bags**

We try to store packed lunches in the coolest part of the classroom, but in the interest of health and safety, please either use an insulated bag or put an ice pack into the lunchbox to ensure that the food is safe, fresh and palatable.

### **Lost property**

Please note that all unnamed lost property will be disposed of tomorrow.

### **Happy Easter**

All that remains is for me to wish you a Happy Easter on behalf of the staff and Governors. We hope you enjoy the break and that you come back refreshed. School reopens to children on Tuesday 20th April.

Pauline Hannibal  
Headteacher



