#### MARCHAM SCHOOL

#### **Takeover Day**

On Thursday 11th November it was Takeover Day, which means that the children takeover the grownup jobs. I wrote a letter and was given the job as Headteacher. First I welcomed people in the school and then saw how the takeover people were doing. We then got the assembly ready and it went very well. When it came to just before lunch we went to Sunningwell C.E Primary School to look at playground equipment. Once we had finished we went back to eat our lunch. All the takeover teachers had their lunch on a separate table. Once I'd finished lunch we went to St Blaise Primary School in Milton to give us a few more ideas about the playground equipment. When we went back we just finished some jobs and I got a staff meeting ready. All the takeover people had brilliant days.

I enjoyed the assembly because it felt like it went really well and I felt really responsible. When I said words I started shaking because there were loads of people listening to what I was saying. You never want to get anything wrong because you'd be so embarrassed. Being a Headteacher is quite hard work because you are always walking around and you get really exhausted. When you start a job you always have to start another job and you never get to finish it. If I was Headteacher all the time I would never be able to cope. Thankfully I was only it for one day.

# BETH MAWDESLEYAGE 9

### Joint School Council Meeting – Marcham, St Francis and St Blaise

Toady we had two other schools visit us and we discussed what we do in assembly. They stayed with us for lunch. We did activities about what we like about assemblies. At the end of the day we shared some ideas with each other. We listened to the celebration song and showed them the moves to it.

#### ROBYN SWAIN AND ALFIE KINGSBURY.

We had a visit from St Blaise and St Francis Primary Schools on the 17th November 2010. We had lots of fun and did lots of activities. We discussed our different assemblies. One of the activities we did was to put a sticker on a target in the right place e.g. near the centre if you feel right about the question. Another one of the activities was when we had 6 counters and we had to put them in the pots we liked most, the pots were labelled prayer, music, singing, thinking time and stories. The most popular was music. The third activity was when we had to write on post-its our answer to a question and stick it on the paper. We had lots of fun and hope we do it again.

## JOSEPH MUTCH AND JAY HENLEY.

On the 17th November Marcham school councillors had a visit from school councillors from St Blaise and St Francis schools. We talked about what we liked best about assemblies. We all explained why we liked the parts that we did. They stayed at Marcham School for lunch and went out to play with us. We got lots of ideas from them and we will use some of their ideas for our assemblies. We found out what we all liked by doing activities together. We all had a very good time.

#### EMILY WISEMAN AND MATTHEW PLANT

# Marcham School Christmas Fayre

Saturday 4th December 2-4pm Come along and get your Christmas Gifts

### Family Bingo

Friday 12th November Marcham School

Doors open at 6.30pm, Eyes down at 7pm for 4 games of family friendly fun. Hot dogs and chips will be available.

All welcome.

### **FRIDAY CLUB**

Over the past couple of months children at Friday Club have been learning all about the senses - touch, sight, hearing, taste and smell. We enjoyed people coming to visit us, Pauline brought Ella who is being trained as a guide dog. The children were able to try on different types of glasses which showed them what it would be like to have different sight problems. Dr Kate Jackson joined us for the taste evening and explained how important our tongue is for talking and eating.

### Some children from Friday Club share their thoughts:

We have been learning about our senses. We had to smell a box and guess what was in it. It was fun. *Lauren Gaisford* My favourite week was taste because I had things I had not had for ages. *Nicole Perris* 

My favourite week was smell because we made lavender bags. *Robyn Cotterel* 

My favourite week was sight because we met Ella the puppy dog who is being trained as a guide dog and we tried different glasses on so that we could see what it was like to have problems with our sight. *Lucy Sharrock* 

Friday Club is held from 5.30-6.30pm at Marcham Church for primary school aged children. For further information please contact Jill Rowe, Youth & Children's Minister on 01865 390 885.

# Marcham Baby and Toddler Group

... meets every Tuesday from 10am-11.30am in the back of All Saints Church. £2 per family for tea/coffee, play and a chat. Children can take part in a weekly craft activity as well as singing songs and listening to stories. Everybody welcome. Hope to see you soon.

## **ABINGDON LITTLE ANGELS**

In November Little Angels have been very busy learning all about Diwali. We spent time making clay lamps to light the way now the evenings have



become dark, just like the villages did for Lord Rama on his way home with his rescued wife. As part of our gift exchange that takes place during Diwali we gave Marcham some tree saplings we received from the Woodland trust. They were planted in Marcham School with some of the school children and also in Anson Field. Everyone had great fun planting them and we all look forward to seeing them grow in the future.

We even had our own Hospital, all the children were very good doctors- taking each other's temperatures and healing wounds! It was great fun learning all about listening to our heart beats and our own body parts. So please feel free to discuss with our Little Angels any medical problems you have!!!

The first Holiday club took place at the end of October, some of the bigger Angels of Marcham joined us throughout this time where they had a fun and exciting week all about the different seasons- especially as we could collect a wide range of leaves from the fallen trees!

The Mums also had a great pamper evening with a massage, manicure, range of stalls and most importantly a good old natter!

### Play Day- Saturday 5th February 2011

Abingdon Little Angels would like to invite you and your Angels to come join us for a play day. There will be a range of fun activities to do for children up to the age of 11 years old.

For more information about the Angels Out of School Club please contact Helen or Kaye on 07516 474287 or at info@ abingdonlittleangels.co.uk.