NEWS FROM MARCHAM SCHOOL Y6 Learning Area

When we came back to school, from the summer holidays we had a new learning area (the old library) for the mornings. At the moment we haven't got a name for this area, but we are thinking about what to call it- Mrs Rook has suggested the Rookery!! The year 6s aren't too sure. In this space we have done some drama and went outside and used our senses to think about what things we could, hear, smell, feel, taste and see. From this we have built a description from a story we read in English- Cider with Rosie by Laurie Lee. We have also created self portraits using pastels to liven up our new learning area.

FLYNN AND KING

Walk Around The Village

On the 14th of September, Denman Class walked around the village. We took pictures of houses and sketched as well. Most of the houses in Marcham are post war, but we wanted to find Victorian houses – which is part of our history topic.

Later in the classroom, we used pastels to develop our sketches. We took our time using the pastels, so then our sketches look really good.

MORLAND CLASS

At Marcham School we have been creating a wild area with a pond. After the hole was dug we put in a plastic liner. This week Mr Wood came with his digger and he dug up the mud around the pond. We are going to put some decking around the pond so that we can draw some pictures of the creatures in the pond. We can catch the creatures and we can study them as well.

TEEGAN, LUKE, CURTIS AND JOSH

An Intelligent Bird

Have you watched the rooks this summer And wondered where they go Their flight it seems endless As they drift to and fro

But like us they must work for a living A living that comes pretty hard Not only is their work time consuming They must always be on their guard.

Have you seen Mr Rook With a piece of bread hard as oak Take it to the bird bath or puddle And give it a good soak.

Watch them rise in large numbers Some kind of plan they are hatching Higher and higher round and round I tell you they are only fly catching

He repairs the nest in January
Using just two kinds of sticks
What kind of sticks are they you may ask
Oh just straight and crooked bits.
Caw blimey, feather me nest.



M Shepherd

ABINGDON LITTLE ANGELS

Abingdon Little Angels said goodbye to their Big Angels in style this week with their very own Graduation Ceremony on Friday evening. There was a large turn out with friends and family to watch with pride as the little angels have now spread their wings to Marcham School.

This month Abingdon Little Angels have been going round Marcham to find objects that are hard and soft, rough and smooth and hot and cold. We have been learning all about these concepts and understanding how they surround us in our daily life.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who supported our little Angels in their sports day in August. Their sponsorship for the British Heart Foundation allowed us to raise £175.

Angels Out of School Club

The Angels Out of School Club has opened this month with the start of school. We are offering Breakfast, After School and Holiday Clubs throughout the year for the bigger Angels of Marcham. For more information about the Angels Out of School Club please contact Helen or Kaye on 07516 474287 or at info@abingdonlittleangels.co.uk.

Key Stage 1 & 2 Tutor (CRB Checked)

Primary Teacher, experienced in teaching children with Dyslexia and Dyscalculia. Available afternoon/evening

or weekends.

Please ring Cheryll Sewell 01865 391200



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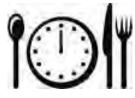
PLEASE HELP VILA MANINGA, MOZAMBIQUE

How many times do you use a search engine a day? 5 - 10? How often are we simply lining Google's pockets?!

Well, here's a new easy way to raise money for Vila Maninga, Mozambique that doesn't involve you parting with extra cash. Simply use everyclick.com as your search engine and Vila Maninga gets a small donation per search. It takes 3 minutes to sign up, go to http://www.everyclick.com/vilamaninga, sign up and start searching and follow the simple prompts to make this your default search facility. We are aiming to get 1,000 people signed up by December 2010 which we hope will raise £13,000, training 6 medical students for a year in Mozambique. In a country where there are extremely limited health facilities and only 600 medical doctors in the whole country, this would have a huge effect. Please sign up now! Thank you!

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VILLAGE CAFE



Join us at 12 noon on Wednesdays during term-time at the Sports and Social Club on the Anson Field for a roast lunch with a choice of desserts, such as Queen of Puddings, Syrup Sponge or Apple Pie and more.

This free meal is offered to you by the Churches in Marcham, the cost being covered by voluntary donations.

COULD YOUR VILLAGE GROUP MAKE USE OF A SMALL GRANT?

The Harding Bequest is a small charitable trust which for some years has made grants to a variety of community causes in the parish. Any village group may apply to the Bequest for a grant.

If you are involved in a village organisation that may benefit from a small grant you are invited to contact Jenny Warwick (392 076), Secretary to the Harding Bequest, for an application form.

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