

Marchwood C of E Infant School

NEWSLETTER

17 JULY 2026



Message from Mrs Atkins

Can you believe that we are nearly at the end of the school year! What an amazing year it has been. We have had school trips, church services, visits from pets and other guests, discos, outdoor learning, concerts and much much more. Thank you to all the staff for your hard work, thank you for all the support from family and friends, and most importantly thank you to all the children for making my first year as headteacher at Marchwood C of E Infants fantastic. You are all wonderful children.

We were so proud of the Year 2 children this week, with their leaver's performance and all the fun of the BBQ. The children will always be a part of our Marchwood family and we would love to know how they get on as they move into junior school – please keep in touch.

Today we also held our Rocksteady concert and the Cross Country Festival, both of which were a great success. At our school, we believe education is about supporting the whole child, and it lovely to acknowledge all the things we do to enrich our children's lives outside of the National Curriculum. If you have any ideas for clubs or extra activities you would like us to offer, why not get in touch with the office and let us know.

Next Tuesday, Twiggs Preschool are holding their end of year party and graduation day, and will have an ice cream van available for the children to purchase a cold snack. If you would like to purchase an ice cream, Bella Gelatto have agreed to stay as long as needed in the small car park.

Don't forget that the first two days in September are INSET days, so the children will return to school on **Thursday 3rd September 2026**. We can't wait to see everyone in their smart uniforms ready to start a new and exciting year.

Have a fantastic weekend and summer holidays.

Sally Atkins

Fruit Snack

Fruit deliveries are not available on Tuesday and Wednesday next week. However, you are welcome to send in a snack for your child either a piece of fruit or vegetable. (No chocolate, sweets or crisps please!)

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Diary Dates

July

- **MONDAY 20TH**
Y2 TRIP TP PAULTONS PARK
- **WEDNESDAY 22ND –**
LAST DAY OF TERM

September

- **TUESDAY 1ST - INSET**
FIRST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM
- **WEDNESDAY 2ND – INSET**
- **THURSDAY 3RD**
FIRST DAY BACK FOR Y1 & Y2

Bible Verse for the Week

Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Romsey Abbey

On Monday Year 2 Children attended the annual Church Schools Leaver Service at Romsey Abbey. The theme of the service this year was Belonging and Bags of Hope. This half term we had been busy working on a piece of artwork themed around 'Belonging'. Every child stitched their initials on to a piece of Binca. These individual pieces of Binca were then joined together to show that we all belong to our classes and our school. We thought about the concept of 'Belonging' and what it means to Belong, in our PSHE lessons. We shared a story called 'The Suitcase' and discussed how it might feel to not 'Belong' and to be forced to leave your home. At the abbey the children enjoyed exploring the grounds and the inside of the abbey before having lunch under a tree in the shade. During the service, the children heard a story about Paddington Bear. Some of the Year 2 children had a special role to play in the service. These children acted and spoke beautifully and with confidence. It was a really lovely day and a wonderful way to end their time at a Church School. We are very proud of them all.

Mrs Jerome and Mrs Gant



Let's Celebrate!

This week we are celebrating...

Holly Class

Theo T and Teddy S

Oak Class

Hollie T and Addison M

Elm Class

Zana A and Arthur J

Rowan Class

Travis P, Max B and

Pasha P

Beech Class

Jacob C and Austin H

Sycamore Class

Theo P and Liam J-A

If your child is receiving an award, you will be invited to celebrate with them on Friday at 2.30pm.

Invitations will be sent on a Wednesday.

Parents of children with birthdays or certificates outside of school are also welcome to attend.

If your child is away, you may join us the following week.

SFC – Afterschool Football Club

We are pleased to let you know that registration for our 2026–2027 Southampton FC After-School Clubs will officially open on **Wednesday 15th July at 6:30pm**. Parents and guardians will be able to access the booking page using the link below:



- [SFC ASC Autumn Term - Marchwood](#)

Please note that although the booking link can be accessed beforehand, the club will not appear or become available to book until 6:30pm on Wednesday 15th July. If parents access the page before this time, no sessions will be visible.

Football club is on Thursday afterschool 3.15pm - 4.15pm. Bookings are on a first come first served basis, this is a very popular club and sells out fast. Any enquiries should be made directly to SFC coaching.

Kids With Bricks

The theme for this half term is **Castaway catastrophe**.

This week the children made models of a raft. The models were amazing!

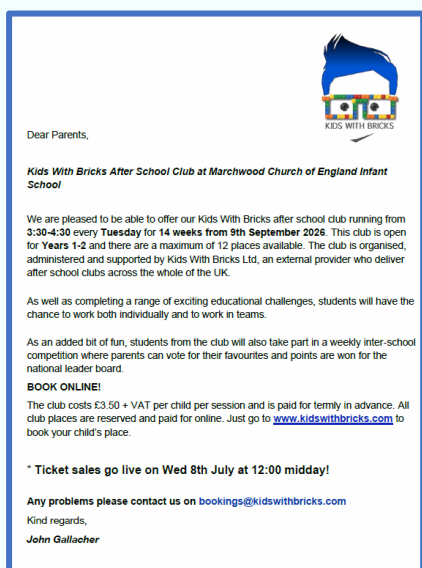
The children had to imagine that they were stranded on a desert island and as it was the final week, they had to build a raft to escape from the island. The children discovered that the longest raft race is held on the Yukon River in Canada where teams build huge rafts and travel for hundreds of kilometres.

In addition to winning first place position the week the children made a parrot Freddie received a special certificate, a mini figure and a build a ruler from the Kids With Bricks team in the post. Well done, Freddie!

This was the last Kids With Bricks Club session for this school year.

Everyone has had a fantastic time using their imagination to create a variety of models. Thank you to everyone who has supported the club by voting each week on the Kids With Bricks competition page. I am pleased to report that Marchwood C of E Infant School achieved fourth place in the national inter school Kids With Bricks competition. Well done! Kids With Bricks Club will be starting again in September 2026.

Booking for the Autumn term is open: <http://www.kidswithbricks.com/>



ACE SPORTS & Education **MARCHWOOD INFANT SCHOOL**
AUTUMN TERM 2026

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLUBS

GYMNASTICS CLUB

EVERY MONDAY
3.15 TO 4.15pm

FIRST SESSION... 14th SEPTEMBER
LAST SESSION... 7th DECEMBER
No Session 28th September & 2nd November

Join us for Gym Club every Monday at Marchwood Infants. Every week children will have the opportunity to engage in fun challenges and activities to learn and improve new skills.

Throughout the Autumn Term children will learn and improve on shapes, rolls, jumps, balances, handstands, cartwheels, climbing, vaulting & so much more!!

MULTI SPORTS CLUB

EVERY TUESDAY
3.15 TO 4.15pm

FIRST SESSION... 15th SEPTEMBER
LAST SESSION... 8th DECEMBER
No Session 17th November

Our brand new Club at Marchwood Infants promises to be maximum FUN!!

Every week Children will have the opportunity to participate in a different sport or activity that are popular on our Holiday Clubs!

Next term's activities will include Dodgeball, Archery, Hockey, Floor is Lava, Capture The Flag, Gladiators, Benchball, Cricket & much more!!

CLUBS OPEN TO YEAR R, 1 & 2
BOOKINGS ONLINE ONLY
£5.95 per session
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE
CHILD CARE VOUCHERS ACCEPTED!

SCAN ME  CHECK OUT OUR SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUBS AT THE FOXHILLS FEDERATION ONLINE!

ACESPORTSandeducation.com/AFTERSCHOOLCLUBS

BIG MOUTH THEATRE

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

Reserve Your Space for September!

LET YOUR IMAGINATIONS RUN FREE!

OUR DRAMA CLUB IS THE PLACE TO BE!

- Build confidence & self belief
- Enjoy our relaxed and friendly sessions
- Have fun with creativity & make new friends

Visit **bigmouththeatre.com** or scan the QR code! 

Enter our FREE family competition

A great activity for the summer holidays!
We're a Mum and two daughters team creating educational, history based fun Quiz Trails!

Learning history has never been this much fun!

FREE TO ENTER!

FREE SUMMER PRIZE DRAW - ENTER NOW

CELEBRATE SUMMER IN HAMPSHIRE!

Simply answer this question to enter the draw ...

WHICH HAMPSHIRE CITY IS PROUD TO HAVE THE SPINNAKER TOWER ON THE WATERFRONT?

Submit your answer on our website at www.QuizTrail.co.uk

*One lucky winner will be drawn at random to win a wicker picnic hamper with plates, cutlery and glasses, a picnic blanket plus a selection of sweet treats!

*Closing date 31st July 2026 at 11:59pm.
Free to enter - no purchase necessary.

10% OFF
Quote Discount Code DISCOUNT10 at our checkout

Enter at Prize Draws on our home page - good luck!

Let the adventure begin with Quiz Trails

We're a Mum and two daughters team creating educational, history based fun Quiz Trails!

Clues for adults PLUS clues for juniors which are made for 5 to 11 year olds!

Quiz Trail

Southampton

48 PAGES!

Trustpilot
★★★★★
Quiz Trail Reviews • Excellent

10% OFF
Quote Discount Code DISCOUNT10 at our checkout

A history-hunt with a fun twist - an educational, healthy and FUN activity that entertains all!

Quiz Trails are written for adults and packed with local history. As well as a set of clues for adults - there are another set of clues for juniors! Quiz Trails are a fabulous activity for adults and children to do together - **great for grandparents to share time with their young ones!**

You can take as long as you like to complete the trail, making it the perfect activity for a relaxed trip out making happy memories together. **A great way for juniors to learn their history!**

At just £13.99 a copy for a whole group to share, Quiz Trails are the perfect way to spend time outdoors in the fresh air with loved ones. ALL trails are accessible.

children's UNIVERSITY
Quiz Trails are an 'Approved Activity' for The Children's University



SEACITY MUSEUM

SOUTHAMPTON CITY ART GALLERY



TUDOR HOUSE & GARDEN

Summer Holiday ACTIVITIES

AT SOUTHAMPTON MUSEUMS AND GALLERY

From £6 per activity

ART FOR ALL

Fri 24 Jul | **Print a Pangolin and More** (6+)

Tue 28 Jul | **Paint with Palette Knives** (7+)

Mon 27 Jul | **Fossil Plaster Casting** (5+)

Tue 28 Jul | **Shrinkable Tudor Portraits** (6+)

Wed 29 Jul | **Gruffalo Clay** (4+)

Thu 30 Jul | **Summer Sun Prints** (all ages)

Fri 31 Jul | **Fossil Plaster Casting** (5+)

Tue 4, Wed 5 Aug | **Brilliant Beach Bags**

Mon 10 Aug | **Clay Capybaras** (5+)

Tue 11 Aug | **Surrealism Starts Here** (6+)

Wed 12 Aug | **Animal Magic Monoprinting** (5+)

Mon 17 Aug | **Bugs in Boxes** (4+)

Tue 18 Aug | **Impressionism Starts Here** (6+)

Wed 19 Aug | **Greek Pottery Pots** (6+)

Mon 24 Aug | **Summer Sun Prints** (all ages)

Tue 25 Aug | **Highland Cows in Clay** (5+)

Wed 26 Aug | **Pencil Case Printing** (5+)

Thu 27 Aug | **Pet Portrait Printing** (6+)

Fri 28 Aug | **Dino Drawing and Printing** (6+)

HANDS ON HISTORY

Thu 23 Jul | **Potty Prehistory** (7+)

Mon 27 Jul | **Knight School** (6+)

Mon 3 Aug | **Shiver Me Timbers** (6+)

Tue 4 Aug | **The Hidden History of Harry Potter** (5+)

Fri 7 Aug | **Discover Titanic** (6+)

Fri 14 Aug | **Soaring Spitfires** (7+)

Thu 20 Aug | **Great Fire of London** (6+)

Fri 21 Aug | **Awesome Egyptians** (7+)

TOURS FOR ALL

Thu 6 Aug | **Secrets of Southampton Castle** (6+)

Thu 13 Aug | **Titanic Walking Tour** (6+)

Tue 18 Aug | **Roman Southampton Walking Tour** (6+)

TODDLER TIME

Thu 30 Jul | **Delightful Dinosaurs** (under 4s & friends)

Thu 20 Aug | **Gorgeous Birds** (under 4s & friends)

BOOK YOUR SUMMER ADVENTURE TODAY

For times, prices and locations visit our venue websites
seacitymuseum.co.uk | southamptoncityartgallery.com | tudorhouseandgarden.com





Summer Holiday FAMILY DAYS OUT

TUDOR HOUSE & GARDEN

SUMMER FETE

SATURDAY 25 JULY 2026 | FREE ENTRY 10am - 5pm
 Join us for a day of family fun celebrating 114 years since Tudor House opened as a museum. Crafts, games and activities throughout the day*

*small charges will apply

LOOKING FOR ALL DAY DROP-OFF ACTIVITIES?

Create cool things, learn new stuff and make friends at our regular clubs

From £26 a day

CULTURE CLUB

6½ - 12 years old
 Monday to Wednesdays
 3 - 26 Aug

JUNIOR ART SCHOOL

7 - 13 years old
 Fridays
 31 Jul - 28 Aug

ART SCHOOL PLUS

11 - 16 years old
 Thursdays
 30 Jul - 27 Aug



Summer with St Barbe

Mon 3 August
St Barbe Out and About
 - summer holiday activities
 Ages 3+ | Drop-in 11-12:30 | **Free** | Pennington

Mon 17 August
St Barbe Out and About
 - summer holiday activities
 Ages 3+ | Drop-in 11-12:30 | **Free** | Sway

Tues & Weds in August
St Barbe at Large
 Ages 3+ | Drop-in 11-3 | **Free** | At Emsworth Road Park

Thursdays in August
Family Crafty Drop-in
 Ages 3+ | Drop-in 10:30-12:30 | **Free** | At St Barbe

Fridays in August
Story, Craft and Exhibition Tour
 All ages | 10:30-11:30 | £1 per child (plus entrance fee on day) | At St Barbe
Family friendly tour of our David McKee exhibition with a story and a craft.

See our website for more details



ST BARBE MUSEUM & ART GALLERY
 LYMINGTON

St Barbe Museum and Art Gallery
 New Street, Lymington, Hampshire SO41 9BH
 Tel: 01590 676969
www.stbarbe-museum.org.uk

Gallery sponsored by Hallett Independent



TRIATHLON

Walhampton

Saturday 19th September

Join the fun with either a timed individual or a relay team triathlon!
 Open to the community.

INDIVIDUAL TRI (Y5+)

SWIM - 8 LENGTHS
 BIKE - 2KM
 RUN - 1.4KM

[Click here for more info!](#)





3 DISTANCE OPTIONS FOR TEAM TRIATHLON

MINI (Y2/3)	SHORT (Y3+)	LONG (Y5+)
SWIM - 1 LENGTH	SWIM - 2 LENGTHS	SWIM - 4 LENGTHS
BIKE - 500M	BIKE - 1KM	BIKE - 1.5KM
RUN - 400M	RUN - 700M	RUN - 1KM

Attendance

Thank you to everyone who is supporting good attendance and punctuality. Each week we will be celebrating the class with the highest level of attendance and they will win Stella, our attendance star in their class for the following week.



Attendance for 13th July – 17th July 2026

Holly	Oak	Elm	Rowan	Beech	Sycamore
97.14%	95%	99.26%	93.33%	99.33%	95.71%



In collective worship this week we have been thinking about celebrations.

Year R: Ask me about what I drew as my favourite thing in Year R?

Year 1: Ask me about what happened in my version of the Disgusting Sandwich?

Year 2: Ask me about Romsey Abbey?



Is your child registered for **SCHOOL MILK?**

Child UNDER 5  **Child OVER 5**

Every child under the age of five is entitled to free school milk. Simply register your child online.

Every child over the age of five is entitled to milk at a subsidised cost of around £20 per term. Register your child and pay online.

Children in receipt of benefits-based free school meals are eligible for free school milk. Speak to the school for further information.

Free milk for under 5s is funded by the Department of Health and milk for over 5s is subsidised by DfE.

REGISTER YOUR CHILD TODAY

Register online
www.coolmilk.com



Need help?
Send us a message
at www.coolmilk.com/contact
or give us a call on 0800 321 3248

FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA - SEARCH COOL MILK SCHEME

MEEPLE
PLAY CAFE & BAR

Paint your own pottery

from £4



Upgrade to be glazed & fired

No booking required

Regan Esme
Felicity

Hallie Mia

Joisah Alenton

Bethany M calla

Felix Theodora Jacob

S-B Reggie Freya

Olivia

Anthony

Nora Isabel

Joshua

Jackson

George

axel

Felix C

Sienna

Bethany C

Laila

Samuel

Finnley H

Isaac

Edward H

Finley L

Manny

Nancy

Vara

chiara
mofilda

Nathan

Rupert

Solomon

Leo

Pippa

Felix P

Charlie

Giulia

Liban Negasi

Nellie

Oliver

Theo M

Everlyn

Chloe

Theo

Goodbye from
everyone leaving
Marchwood
C of E
Infant School
July 2026

Excel

Arthur

Sherry

Austin