

Marchwood C of E Infant School

NEWSLETTER

17TH APRIL 2026



Message from Mrs Atkins

Welcome back. It has been lovely to see all the children back in class and hearing about all their adventures over the holidays. I hope you all had a lovely break and are all ready for the summer term.

This week in worship we started looking at the different seasons in the Christian calendar and the colour that represent them. At the moment the colour is white / gold which symbolises joy and the resurrection. Remember to ask your children what other colours there are.

Well done to Max this week for showing our Christian value of courage at home. He was really nervous when he arrived at his new basketball club but Max was super brave and went and joined in, showing lots of courage. He finished the session and even got the certificate for most valued player. Fantastic work Max!

Thank you to everyone who has donated things for our new outdoor play learning. We would still welcome objects such as guttering, pipes, old pushchairs, buckets and fabrics.

As many of you will know we work closely with our local preschools and we are delighted to let you know that we have secured a grant to assist with the expansion of Twiggs. This grant will not only allow them to create a fantastic space for your children, but we are also able to fully upgrade our science/forest garden, which we hope to begin using more regularly in the near future.



Have a fantastic weekend.

Sally Atkins

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Diary Dates

April

- **MONDAY 27TH**
GARDENING CLUB

May

- **MONDAY 4TH**
MAY BANK HOLIDAY - SCHOOL CLOSED
- **MONDAY 11TH**
GARDENING CLUB
- **WEDNESDAY 13TH**
SEP 26- NEW PARENTS MEETING 6-7PM (ADULTS ONLY)
- **MONDAY 18TH - FRIDAY 22ND**
WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK
- **MONDAY 25TH - FRIDAY 29TH**
HALF TERM BREAK

Bible Verse for the Week

Psalm 121:1-2

"I look to the mountains; where will my help come from? My help will come from the Lord, who made heaven and earth."

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Gardening Club

This week we said goodbye to a lot of our lovely spring flowers. We pulled up those flowers which had snapped in the wind or where they had begun to wilt. We rescued the bulbs carefully from the soil and will keep these to reuse next year! We also did some sweeping and tidying. At the front of the school, we weeded our summer bulb bed and placed some bark chips on the top to help protect them and the soil.

We have also been kindly donated some tools, compost and a walk-in greenhouse by Jackson-Roy's family. Thank you so much for your kind donation, it will be a huge help with gardening club!

Mr Warren



Let's Celebrate!

This week we are celebrating...

Holly Class

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Oak Class

Oak Class

Elm Class

Freddie S-W and Miller B

Rowan Class

Sienna R-V and Charlotte J

Beech Class

Laila L and Anthony G

Sycamore Class

Arthur G and Everlyn H-S

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.

Spare Undies

We are running short of spare underwear, in particular socks and girls pants. If you have any that you are happy to donate, we would be very grateful. If you have borrowed any clothing, please make sure it is washed and returned promptly. Thank you



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Kids With Bricks

Kids With Bricks Club started again this week on Tuesday after school.

The theme for this half term is **World Records**.

This week the children created models of a record-breaking person. The models included a strong person, a tall person and a fast person. They were amazing!

The children learnt that the record for the tallest person is Robert Wadlow, he was 2.72 metres tall, which is taller than a basketball hoop. Hafþór Júlíus Björnsson, also known as 'The Mountain' from television once carried a log weighing over 600kg and Usain Bolt holds the record for the fastest person. The children discovered that the Guinness World Records book holds a record for the best selling copyrighted book series of all time.

Before Easter the children built flying machines and Marchwood C of E Infant School was chosen as one of Fabretta's favourites. Well done to David! Thank you for so many votes over the Easter break, Marchwood C of E Infant School achieved second place for their entry of footwear. Well done to Rupert! When everyone had finished their model, the best one was voted for and a photo was uploaded to the competition page of the Kids With Bricks website. At the end of the term the results from the leader board are looked at. For the school that has gained the most points that term, prizes are sent to all the children in the club! Anyone can vote for the best model, so have a look and place your vote before Monday.

Please use the link below which will take you to the website, click on VOTE NOW

Votes are now placed on the Kids With Bricks Facebook page.

Each week on Sunday evening, there is a 'competition post' and all you have to do is give your school's build a like. The school with the most likes wins.

<https://www.facebook.com/share/1Cd3Sk6zCW/?mibextid=wwXlfr>



making music

IN NATURE'S REALM

THORNDEN HALL ARTS CENTRE
SATURDAY 16TH MAY 2026
7.30PM

D'VORAK
IN NATURE'S REALM

VAUGHAN WILLIAMS
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CONDUCTOR
JOHN TRAILL

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Big Mouth Theatre
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01489 786691

The children of Marchwood Infant School will have lots to get their teeth into if they join us at **Big Mouth Theatre After School Drama Club**, as we prepare to go...

Camping

IN THE WILDERNESS

Come and join in with our awesome outdoor-themed activities! We'll be telling tall tales as we keep warm by the campfire, exploring rough terrain as we battle the elements, keeping those wild animals away from our picnics, and using our map-reading skills to complete the final quest!

Our session plans are produced in-house, which allows for fun, yet structured and inclusive sessions and they are guaranteed to have a great time building their **confidence** and **self-esteem** at our after school drama club.

Big Mouth Theatre is a high-quality drama activity provider offering a range of non-competitive, structured sessions designed to enhance, support, and nurture your child's wellbeing. Dynamic age-appropriate games and fundamental acting activities are led by our trained and DBS-certified drama coaches to help enable your child to feel a sense of achievement and inclusion, resulting in a more confident, well-balanced, happy individual... **because who doesn't want to see a smile on their child's face?**

Big Mouth Theatre drama clubs will take place every **Monday from 3:15pm - 4:15pm** at Marchwood Infant School commencing 20th April. Subscriptions are payable half termly, in advance - that's just £26 for the 4 sessions, taking us up to the half term holidays.

If, after the 1st session, your child does not choose to join us on a weekly basis, simply let us know and we'll refund your payment!

It could not be easier to book a place on our clubs.
Simply head to www.bigmouththeatre.com and click 'Join us Today!'
Alternatively, just scan the QR Code...

Numbers are limited, so stay a happy camper and book your place today!

See you soon...
From the Big Mouth Camp Leaders!

www.marchwood-inf.hants.sch.uk

Telephone: 023 8086 8819

Love

Courage

Hope



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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 April - 17th April 2026

Holly	Oak	Elm	Rowan	Beech	Sycamore
98.18%	98.64%	96.79%	95.17%	100%	98.15%



"ASK ME ABOUT..."

In collective worship this week we have been thinking about how Christian people find hope.

Year R: Ask me about the four pictures we have been practising about the farm? (e.g chick, tractor, goat)

Year 1: Ask me about places that are special to me and places that are special to others. What did I see when I visited the church?

Year 2: Ask me about what is an algorithm and how to make sure it works properly!

BE WILDFIRE AWARE AND HELP PROTECT THE COUNTRYSIDE



PACK A PICNIC
NOT A BBQ



DON'T
START CAMPFIRES



EXTINGUISH
CIGARETTES
FULLY



DON'T
DROP LITTER



In-Car Safety

The Road Safety Team are responsible for educating young people and their families on the importance of keeping safe when travelling in a vehicle. Part of this education includes ensuring young people are travelling with correct restraints. Are you aware that 37% of children are in the wrong type of seat for their age and/or height? The Road Safety Team would like to share this car restraint leaflet with you to ensure you know how to always keep your child(ren) safe – in the correct restraint. There are also hints and tips about choosing the right seat, transporting other people's children and how to fit different types of car seat. To read this informative leaflet, please visit – [in car safety guide](#)

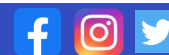


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