

Marchwood C of E Infant School

NEWSLETTER

19TH DECEMBER 2025



Message from Mrs Atkins

Wow what a fantastic end to the term. We were all so proud of all the children for their excellent nativity performances—it can be quite overwhelming being on stage in front of all those adults, but everyone was amazing. Thank you to all the staff for their hard work in putting the performances together and making sure everyone was included.

I was looking back over the term last weekend and reminded myself of all the wonderful things that have happened: we have welcomed a whole new cohort of children to our school, there have been school trips, charity days, performances, assemblies, headteacher hot chocolates, My Happy Mind sessions and countless other events. In between all these enriching opportunities for the children, there has been lots of learning and hard work. Well done everyone—you really deserve some time to rest!

Next term I will be moving forward on ensuring our children's learning continues to be excellent and that we are really using our grounds in the best way possible. Look out for a meeting on outdoor learning in the New Year where I will explain my vision and answer any questions.

I really hope that every single one of you has a restful, peaceful and happy Christmas and New Year and we all look forward to seeing you in 2026.

Sally Atkins

MIS Christmas Fundraising Events

Thank you so much for your generosity over the Christmas season! We have raised **£260** for our school charity Oakhaven Hospice from Christmas jumper day and performance collections.

Our special visitor yesterday drew the raffle and winners were informed and were very happy to receive their hampers. If you didn't win you have our thanks for taking part. The Christmas Hamper Draw, our stall at the village fayre and gift shop have raised over £1000! All these funds will be used to provide resources, experiences and part fund trips for the children.



ISSUE 15

Diary Dates

January

- **MONDAY 5TH**
FIRST DAY OF SPRING TERM
- **MONDAY 12TH**
PERFORMANCE PHOTO ORDER DEADLINE
- **TUESDAY 13TH**
BAG 2 SCHOOL COLLECTION BY 9AM
- **THURSDAY 15TH**
Y2 TRIP TO BEAULIEU MOTOR MUSEUM AND HOUSE
- **THURSDAY 29TH**
ROWAN CLASS LED COLLECTIVE WORSHIP
ROWAN CLASS PARENTS INVITED, 2.45PM

February

- **MONDAY 16TH -FRIDAY 20TH**
HALF TERM BREAK



Bible Verse for the Week

Isaiah 9:6

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace

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Bag 2 School

After the break we are having a Bag 2 School collection. Please bear us in mind if you are having a 'sort out' in the holiday.



Clothes



Paired shoes



Bags



Scarves and ties



Socks



Belts



Handbags



Hats



Bras



Jewellery

BAG 2 SCHOOL FREE FUNDRAISING FOR SCHOOLS

In partnership with your school or organisation



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Bag 2 School is a company that specialises in the reuse and recycling of good quality second-hand clothing and we have arranged to make a collection from your school. All the bags will be weighed and you will be paid for the total weight collected. Remember, the more you collect the greater the benefit to your school.



By using this paper leaflet we are helping to reduce unnecessary extra plastic. Please use your own bag or bags (there is no limit). The leaflet is recyclable.

When the clothes have been removed from the bag the plastic will be packed and sent for recycling.

We are collecting good quality items for RE-USE:

Men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories.

(No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please)

The more we weigh the more we pay!

Extra bags are welcome - there's no limit



Please return your Bag2School on:

Tuesday 13 January 2026 by 9am

01609 780 222

www.bag2school.com

helpdesk@bag2school.com



This week we are celebrating...

Holly Class

Cove S and Charlie B

Oak Class

Neve B and Charlie C

Elm Class

Louie W and Caitlin H

Rowan Class

Tommy H, Emelia W and Channing P

Beech Class

Nancy D and Joshua S

Sycamore Class

Calla W, Arthur G, Noah K and Isaac T

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.

Messy Church Christingle Service



Monday December 22nd

St John's Church, Marchwood

3:30pm

Children to be accompanied by an adult

messychurchmarchwood@gmail.com

www.messychurch.org.uk

CHRISTMAS 2025
IN THE PARISH
**ST JOHN'S CHURCH
MARCHWOOD**

**MARCHWOOD
CHRISTMAS FAYRE**
Well Christmas has arrived in Marchwood! At the Christmas Fayre there will be a book stall, root tiles and a tombola to raise money for St John's Church roof! Plus much more!
13th December, 3pm-5pm Marchwood Village centre and Village Hall.

LIVE NATIVITY
We are giddy with excitement to bring you the LIVE NATIVITY - with real farm animals, refreshments, Nativity trail - this is set to be a special Christmas event!
14th December at 4pm-7pm Donations welcomed Book your 'Nativity Trail' slot via the website.

CAN YOU FIND JESUS?
Jesus is coming for Advent we wait for Christmas Day when we celebrate Jesus' Birthday! We thought we would challenge you to find pebble Jesus! All around the Parish try to spot Jesus on social media. @marchwoodandellingparish - we will be showing all the found Jesus photos at the LIVE NATIVITY and Christmas Morning! Running throughout Advent!

**MESSY CHURCH
CHRISTINGLE**
We know we have some crafty folk in the Parish! Come join the Messy Church Team for a crafty Christingle aimed at kids but fun for the whole family!
22nd December 3.30pm - 4.30pm

JESUS' BIRTHDAY PARTY!
We love Christmas because it's Jesus' Birthday and He likes to share the gifts all around! Find out about the BIGGEST GIFT Jesus shares with us at Jesus' Birthday Party 25th December at 10am

CHRISTMAS 2025
IN THE PARISH
**ST MARY'S CHURCH
ELLING**

**TOT'S CAFE
CHRISTMAS PARTY**
Do you have pre school aged children? Come along to our Tot's Cafe Christmas Party! Let's have some Christmas Fun!
Tuesday 17th December at 9.30am - 11am

WHOLE PARISH CAROLS & LESSONS WITH MILITARY WIVES CHOR
The season for the season! Let's name, Jesus Emmanuel! Come join the whole parish for worship with lessons and carols in the stunning setting of St Mary's Church, Eling.
Sunday 21st December at 10am - NB no service at St John's Church this week.

CAN YOU FIND JESUS? THIS CHRISTMAS?
Help us find Jesus this season. Hidden all around St Mary's and Eling are little pebble Jesus's. If you find one let us know by tagging us @marchwoodandellingparish on social media - we will show the pictures at the LIVE NATIVITY and Christmas morning! Running throughout Advent!

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE
Come a long to this traditional and symbolic Christmas Service where we tell the good news of Jesus with the help of an orange! This service gives nostalgic vibes that will last you until Christmas and beyond!
24th December at 4pm

MIDNIGHT MASS
Come and join us for a time of worship. There will be carols and communion.
11pm on 24th December at St Mary's Church, Eling.
There's nothing like welcoming the Prince of Peace by celebrating the peace and communion together!

2025
POPPY APPEAL

Thank you very much for helping with our Appeal.

£ 37.04
was collected by you.

Without your help, we would be unable to continue our vital welfare and benevolent work.

You're generously
Local Honorary Organiser

District Total (if available) £ TSN
Registered Charity No. 219279

www.marchwood-inf.hants.sch.uk

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Kids With Bricks

The theme for this half term is **The Farm**.

This week was the last session for this half term week for Kids With Bricks Club. The children built models of a drone. The models were fantastic!

The children learnt that one of the most exciting inventions for farms is the drone. Drones can fly high to take pictures of fields, showing farmers where crops need water or care. In the future, some drones might even pick fruit straight from the trees. The children discovered that some tractors already drive themselves using GPS. Farmers can press a button and watch as the tractor ploughs a perfect straight line across the field!

Thank you for so many votes last week, Marchwood C of E Infant School achieved first place for their entry. Well, done!

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 and select our school.

<https://www.kidswithbricks.com/voting-page>

There are still a couple of places left in Kids With Bricks Club for the spring term. Open to Year 1 and Year 2 children. The club runs for 11 weeks, starting 6th January 2026. Please use the link below to book a place.

<https://kwbclubs.ecwid.com/Marchwood-Church-of-England-Infant-School-Hampshire-Spring-Term-2026-Tuesday-p527804039>



ROCK STEADY

ROCK AND POP BAND LESSONS!

IGNITE THEIR INNER SPARK!

- Children learn to play an instrument in their very own band.
- Fun and inclusive in-school band lessons. No music theory involved.
- Follow their musical journey in your Backstage account.
- Exam-free, Ofqual-regulated Trinity music qualification.
- Instruments provided and no experience necessary.

BOOK TO START LESSONS IN JANUARY!

0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 9am-4pm, Fri 9am-4pm, local rate)

rocksteadymusicschool.com

BIG MOUTH THEATRE

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

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! →

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MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAMS You are invited to... **NHS**

Challenging Behaviour Workshop

When: Thursday 12th February 2026
Where: 9am-10.30am
 Marchwood C of E Infant School
What: Presentation and chat
Who:

A face-to-face presentation with time for questions and conversation. Open to all parents and carers from Marchwood Infants

What to Expect:
 Experienced mental health practitioners from your school's Mental Health Support Team will cover key topics and share strategies to support children with challenging behaviours. After the presentation, there will be time to ask questions or discuss with the experts.

Topics covered:

- Understanding what we mean by challenging behaviour
- Exploring common causes
- Exploring what keeps these behaviours going?
- Practical ways to help your child
- Useful resources to support you
- Time for questions and discussion

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAMS
 Hampshire Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services
hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk

Support to help Young People with their Mental Wellbeing (including Bereavement)

Guidance, tools, and tips

[Crisis, Self-Harm and Suicide - CAMHS](#)
[Self-harm support hub](#)
[Mental Wellbeing Hampshire](#)
[Mind's Info for young people](#)

[Parent and Carer support - CAMHS](#)
[Autistica - Tips Hub app](#)
[Kooth: kooth.com](#)
[ZSA suicide awareness training courses](#)

Support services

[NHS 111 Mental Health triage](#)
[SHOUT text HANTS to 85258](#)
[Help in a crisis: Hampshire and Isle of Wight NHS Foundation Trust](#)
[NE Hants: Get help in a mental health crisis: Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Foundation Trust](#)
[Papyrus: Papyrus UK Suicide Prevention | Prevention of Young Suicide](#)

[Therapeutic support services](#)
[Crisis Support After Suicide Service](#)
[Project Iris: Project Iris: Growing Hope | Inclusion Education](#)
[ChatHealth: ChatHealth: Hampshire Healthy Families](#)
[Young Minds Parent Helpline: Parents Helpline | Mental Health Help for Your Child | YoungMinds](#)
[Children and Young People's Safe Haven - Havant & East Hants Mind](#)
[Sasha's Project: Facebook](#)

Events (in person)

[How To Cope When Your Child Can't Event - Winchester 2026 - CAMHS](#)
 Anxiety - understanding and strategies to help, Basingstoke: [Events - CAMHS](#)
 Local online and in person events: [Local Support Groups and Events for Parents/Carers - Winchester](#)

Mental Wellbeing Hampshire

Hampshire CAMHS
INFORMATION AND ADVICE SESSIONS 2026
ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT A YOUNG PERSON'S MENTAL HEALTH?

10am - 2pm
The Arc, Jewry Street Winchester, SO23 8SB

This is an opportunity for parents/carers, professionals or young people to come and chat to our CAMHS clinicians, ask questions, get advice and resources.

Bookable slots available via our website or just drop in.

hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk

7 Jan **1 July**
4 Feb **5 Aug**
4 March **2 Sept**
1 April **7 Oct**
6 May **4 Nov**
3 June **2 Dec**

Christmas Holiday Events

Monday 22 December
Crafty Little Elves

Ages 3+ | 10:30-12:30 | FREE

Drop in for some free festive crafts

Tuesday 23 December
Christmas Wrapping Paper Printing

Ages 8+ | 10am-12noon | £8 | Limited places | Adult required with under 13s

Learn how to make your own printed wrapping paper

www.stbarbe-museum.org.uk
 Charity no 1018779

Festive fun at St Barbe Museum and Art Gallery

ST BARBE MUSEUM & ART GALLERY

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In collective worship this week we have been thinking about the Christmas story and lit the final candle on our Advent Wreath.

Year R: Ask me about the gifts that Father Christmas gave to us on Thursday.

Year 1: Ask me about the Christmas story.

Year 2: Ask me about the name and properties of common 3D shapes.

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 15th December - 19th December 2025

Holly	Oak	Elm	Rowan	Beech	Sycamore
88.1%	89.55%	91.03%	96.43%	96%	92.08%

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