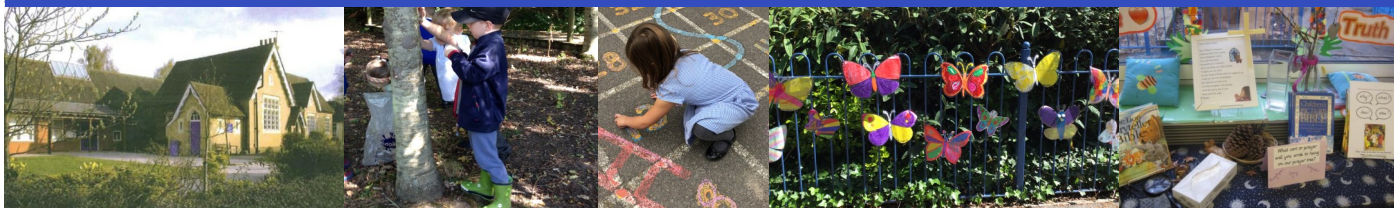


Marchwood C of E Infant School

NEWSLETTER

5TH DECEMBER 2025



Message from Mrs Atkins

As we near the end of the term and Christmas excitement reaches fever pitch, we would like to remind you of our Christingle service at St John's Church Marchwood, on **Friday 12th December at 2pm**. We would welcome parent helpers that are child and baby free, to walk the children down to the church, please come to school at 1.30pm. Seats will be reserved for helpers in the church. The service will end at 2.45pm and you are welcome to take your child home at this time, making sure you sign them out with their teacher first. Book bags will not be needed in school on this day. Due to GDPR we do not allow recording or video of the service. Photographs may be taken but we ask that they do not be shared on social media, particularly if they include other children.

Thank you to everyone who donated for the Christmas raffles, the hampers look incredible in our front entrance and I know that I would be happy to win any one of them. Don't forget to sell the raffle tickets far and wide. Thank you also for your donation to Oakhaven Hospice on Christmas Jumper Day. It was lovely to see everyone looking so festive. We raised £110!

If you are like me, you have left everything a little late this year, but it has reminded me that Christmas is not only about the presents and the decorations, but also about spending some quality time with friends and family. Sometimes we can lose sight of the reason for Christmas and feel we have to put on a big extravaganza. My children tell me the things they really remember are putting the star on top of the Christmas tree and everyone being together. Lets hope we can really capture that this year in school and we can make sure our values of Love, Courage and Hope shine through. Only 20 sleeps to go!!

Have a great weekend.

Sally Atkins

Jesus Pebbles

A team from St. John's Church are hiding baby Jesus pebbles around the village. If a pebble is found the children can take a photo of themselves with it and email it to:

Info@marchwoodandelingparish.org
using 'we found Jesus' as the subject

or if using social media:

@marchwoodandelingparish

#we found Jesus

Thank you.



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Diary Dates

December

- SUNDAY 7TH**
OAKHAVEN SANTA DASH
<https://www.oakhavenhospice.co.uk/santa-dash/>
- THURSDAY 11TH**
YEAR R NATIVITY - ST JOHNS CHURCH, 2PM
- THURSDAY 11TH**
POP-UP CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOP 3PM
- FRIDAY 12TH**
CHRISTINGLE SERVICE, ST JOHNS CHURCH
ALL WELCOME - 2PM
- SATURDAY 13TH**
MARCHWOOD VILLAGE CHRISTMAS
FAYRE 3PM-8PM
- TUESDAY 16TH**
CHRISTMAS POST BOX CLOSERS
- TUESDAY 16TH**
KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE
Y1 - 9.45AM Y2 - 1.45PM
- WEDNESDAY 17TH**
KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE
Y2 - 9.45AM Y1 - 1.45PM
- THURSDAY 18TH**
WHOLE SCHOOL CHRISTMAS LUNCH
- THURSDAY 18TH**
MIS CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DRAWN
- THURSDAY 18TH**
POP-UP CHRISTMAS GIFT SHOP 3PM
- FRIDAY 19TH**
ROCK STEADY CONCERT - BY INVITATION
- FRIDAY 19TH**
LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM

January

- MONDAY 5TH**
FIRST DAY OF SPRING TERM
- THURSDAY 15TH**
Y2 TRIP TO BEAULIEU MOTOR MUSEUM
AND HOUSE

Bible Verse for the Week

Matthew 1:21

She will bear a Son; and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins.

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Oakhaven Santa Dash 2025

Don't forget the Oakhaven Hospice Santa Dash will be taking place this **Sunday 7th December 2025** in Lymington and is a 3km run around the town.

As a school we would love to get as many families as we can to join in with this event. There is a small cost to take part which includes a Santa Suit! Please visit the link here to sign up and let your child's class teacher know if you will be joining us.



<https://www.oakhavenhospice.co.uk/santa-dash/>

Mrs Gant & Mrs Jerome are on the list!
Who thinks they can beat us?!



Let's Celebrate!

This week we are celebrating...

Holly Class

George P and Sophia K

Oak Class

Malakai F and Bella C

Elm Class

Zana A and Layla N

Rowan Class

Nana As and Benjamin W

Beech Class

Samuel W and Nathan G

Sycamore Class

Sherry A and Regan O

MIS Christmas Fundraising Events

We have no less than 11 lovely hampers to win each containing festive treats and voucher prizes. **You've got to be in it to win it!**
The hampers can be viewed in the foyer.



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.



£1 per ticket, available from the school office
Return the money & stubs with details completed by 17.12.25.

Draw to take place Thursday 18th December.

Thank you for your support.

MIS Fundraising Team



MIS
Pop-Up
Christmas
Gift Shop!



Thursday 4th, 11th, 18th December. 3pm

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Kids With Bricks

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

This week the children built models of a tractor. The models were fantastic!

The children learnt that tractors are like superheroes of farming. They help farmers with a variety of tasks from ploughing, carrying heavy loads and many more jobs. Farmers would not get nearly as much done without tractors and machinery. The children discovered that the world's biggest tractor, named the Big Bud 747, is taller than a double decker bus and weighs more than 100 tonnes!

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

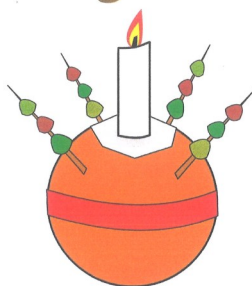
When everyone had finished their model, the best one was voted for and a photo was uploaded to the competition page of the Kids With Bricks website. At the end of the term the results from the leader board are looked at. For the school that has gained the most points that term, prizes are sent to all 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>



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

An Interactive Nativity Experience

With Marchwood Churches Together

Let us know you are coming via Facebook!

For unto us a child is born!

14th December at St John's Church site!

LIVE NATIVITY

14th December 2025

4pm Event Opens at 4pm for a 4.30pm Start

Interactive Nativity Experience. Come meet the animals and people of the Christmas story and find out why this season is SO joyful!

more Christmas fun at www.marchwoodandellingparish.org/christmas

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**THE GIFT OF FOOTBALL
THIS CHRISTMAS &
FEBRUARY HALF-TERM**

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY 2025 AND FEBRUARY HALF-TERM 2026

Sign your 5-13 year old up for our Soccer Schools this Christmas Holiday and February Half-Term. Your child will take part in training sessions, matches, and mini-tournaments/competitions, learning from our experienced, FA/UEFA-qualified, and DBS-checked coaches. We're also offering your youngster the incredible opportunity to play at the Southampton FC Training Ground as part of our Staplewood Soccer Schools.

Christmas Soccer Schools

VENUE	TIME	DAY PASS	22 DEC	23 DEC	29 DEC	30 DEC	02 JAN
DEER PARK SCHOOL, BOTLEY	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
KINGS SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL, ROMSEY	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 5PM	£34.30	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
WINCHESTER CITY, WINCHESTER	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗

February Soccer Schools

VENUE	TIME	DAY PASS	FULL COURSE	MEMBER PRICE
DEER PARK SCHOOL, BOTLEY	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	£127.50	£114.75
DEER PARK SCHOOL, BOTLEY (SCHOOL ONLY MEMBERS & FURTHER)	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	£55.00	£49.50
MOUNTBATTEN SCHOOL, ROMSEY	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	£127.50	£114.75
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 3PM	£27.50	£127.50	£114.75
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	9AM - 5PM	£34.30	£159.50	£143.75
SFC TRAINING GROUND, MARCHWOOD	9AM - 3PM	£49.50	N/A	N/A

Please visit our website for more information

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WHAT'S ON September - December 2025

Southampton City of Opportunity | **SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL**

Christmas Holidays

Table Decorations for all ages with Victoria Goss
Saturday 21 December | 10.30am - 12.30pm or 1pm - 3pm | SeaCity | £18

Art School Plus: Paint, Draw (and Breathe!) (11 - 16 yrs)
Monday 22 December | 10.30am - 3.30pm | Art Gallery | £26

Art for All: Gink O'Clock (5+)
Tuesday 23 December | 10am, 11.30am or 1pm | Art Gallery | £6.50

Christmas at Hogwarts (7+)
Tuesday 23 December | 10am - 12 noon or 1pm - 3pm | Tudor House | £12

Art for All: Penguin Print Thank You Cards and More (4+)
Friday 2 January | 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm | Art Gallery | £8

Discover Titanic
Friday 2 January | 10.30am, 12.30pm or 2.30pm | SeaCity | £8

Christmas at Tudor House
Sat 6, Sun 7, Sat 13, Sun 14, Sat 20, Sun 21 and Mon 22 December | 10am - 5pm | Tudor House | £25

Join us in Southampton's oldest building for a special visit with Father Christmas in the Banqueting Hall. This festive experience includes getting creative with a fun craft activity, then unwinding with a sweet treat in our cafe.

Culture Club for Kids: Christmas Holiday Activity Days (6/9 - 12 yrs)
Week Theme - Polar Bears and Penguins
Mon 22, Tues 23 December
9am - 4pm (drop off from 8.45am) | SeaCity | £35 per day £60 for both days

Get creative, explore our collections and learn new stuff while making really cool things at our themed activity days!

See venue websites for further details on events and to book
seacitymuseum.co.uk | tudorhouseandgarden.com | southamptoncityartgallery.com

**Unwrap A Gift That Will
Last A Lifetime**

**PAY ONLY £10
Until The End Of Term**

Offers Ends 31st December

Forget the overpriced toys, the high tech gadgets, and the mountains of plastic that get forgotten by the New Year.

This Christmas, give your little one a gift that lasts a lifetime.

At our Swim Academy, we give children the skills they need for countless safe, happy aquatic adventures.

Our passionate team of instructors will help your child overcome those initial first fears and discover a love for the water.

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You are invited to... NHS

Challenging Behaviour Workshop

WHEN: Thursday 12th February 2026
WHERE: 9am-10.30am
 Marchwood C of E Infants 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

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

What to Expect:
 Experienced mental health practitioners from your school's Mental Health Support Team will deliver 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.

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAMS

HANGER FARM BARN BOUTIQUE

THIS DECEMBER, DISCOVER ONE-OF-A-KIND CHRISTMAS GIFTS BY TALENTED LOCAL ARTISTS.
 SHOP LOCAL AND FIND YOUR FESTIVE INSPIRATION

TUE 2ND - MON 22ND DEC 2025
MON - FRI 9:30AM-5PM
 OR WHENEVER THERE IS AN EVENT ON

Christmas CRAFT FAIR

6th December
 10:30am - 3pm

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In collective worship this week we have been thinking about Advent. We lit the first candle for hope and the second for peace.

Year R: Ask me about what we received from the giant?

Year 1: Ask me about what senses I have used in science this week?

Year 2: Ask me about the role of angels in bible stories?

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 1st December - 5th December 2025

Holly	Oak	Elm	Rowan	Beech	Sycamore
96.19%	95.45%	92.07%	93.93%	98.33%	96.07%

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