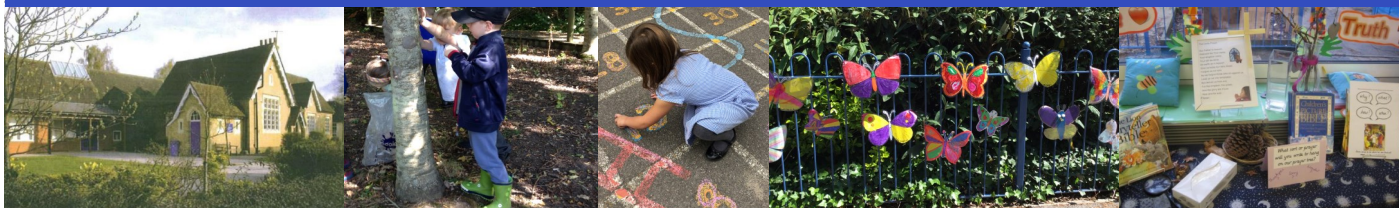


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Message from Mrs Atkins

Brrrr, the weather has certainly changed this week. While we want the children outside as much as possible, please make sure that they bring in hats, scarf, gloves and coats when it is this cold. We have allowed the children to use the new all weather path this week and it's been wonderful to see them running and scooting around on the track. The Red Caps have been doing a great job of bringing the scooters out and putting them back.

This week I invited an outdoor specialist to come and look at our grounds and they couldn't believe how much space and scope for outdoor learning there is. We are really lucky and I hope over the next year to be able to introduce lots more opportunities for the children to play, problem solve and appreciate our outdoor areas.

For those of you with children who play ROBLOX, I wanted to make you aware of safeguarding concerns regarding the downloading of an app called pollybuzz, or polyfuzz. This creates an AI 'friend' that will show the children some extreme content. ROBLOX has parental controls, instructions for which can be accessed here [Parental Controls Overview – Roblox Support](#). However this will not stop all pop-ups so supervision is still needed.

Lets all work together to keep our children safe.
Have a great weekend and stay warm.

Sally Atkins

MIS Christmas Raffle Donation Day

To start our count down to Christmas, **Wednesday 26th November** is a '**Dress as you like**' day in return for donations for our 'Christmas Rainbow' raffle hampers. Please ensure children wear clothing and shoes suitable for a busy day in school.

We are asking for donations of good quality unwanted gifts, candles, smellies, sweets, alcohol, and any festive items to make up some lovely prize hampers in addition to prizes kindly given by local attractions and businesses. If you are a local business and would like to donate a prize, please contact the school office. Raffle ticket books will be sent home in the book bag on 1st December, so keep an eye out for these and feel free to sell these to family and friends.



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Diary Dates

November

- **WEDNESDAY 26TH**
CHRISTMAS DONATIONS DAY
NON-UNIFORM
- **WEDNESDAY 26TH**
BEECH CLASS LED COLLECTIVE WORSHIP
BEECH CLASS PARENTS INVITED 2.45PM
- **THURSDAY 27TH**
CHRISTMAS ART DAY - PARENT HELP NEEDED
- **FRIDAY 28TH**
INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHILDREN

December

- **MONDAY 1ST**
CHRISTMAS POST BOX OPEN
- **FRIDAY 5TH**
CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY- DONATION TO SCHOOL CHARITY, OAKHAVEN
- **FRIDAY 5TH**
PRAZIN HANDS PUPPETS
- **SUNDAY 7TH**
OAKHAVEN SANTA DASH
<https://www.oakhavenhospice.co.uk/santa-dash/>
- **THURSDAY 11TH**
YEAR R NATIVITY - ST JOHNS CHURCH, 2PM
- **FRIDAY 12TH**
CHRISTINGLE SERVICE, ST JOHNS CHURCH
ALL WELCOME - 2PM
- **SATURDAY 13TH**
MARCHWOOD VILLAGE CHRISTMAS
FAYRE 3PM-8PM
- **TUESDAY 16TH**
CHRISTMAS POST BOX CLOSES
- **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
- **FRIDAY 19TH**
ROCK STEADY CONCERT - BY INVITATION
- **FRIDAY 19TH**
LAST DAY OF AUTUMN TERM

Bible Verse for the Week

Philippians 4:13

I can do all this through him who gives me strength.

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Nasal Flu Immunisations

Thank you to everyone who gave consent for the Nasal Flu Vaccine. Please use the link below to leave your feed back:

https://shft1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_7POElvzS7IHxNI2

If your child missed the vaccine, you are able to book for a local clinic on the portal again using the link below :

Link to website: [Annual Nasal Flu Vaccination Programme - Hampshire - Parents: Health for Kids](#)

Play Leader Training

On Friday the 14th November some Year 2 children enjoyed a Play Leader Training Session, delivered by Coach Ryan from the NFSSP.

He taught the children lots of fun new games to play at playtimes. The children will now become Play Leaders and teach other children these games at playtime over the next half term. All the children really enjoyed learning and playing these games. They will be supported to deliver them to the rest of the school by some MDSA's and LSA's who attended the training last year.

We can't wait for them to teach us all the new games!

Mrs Jerome



Let's Celebrate!

This week we are celebrating...

Holly Class

Stevie H-E and Teddy S

Oak Class

Verity D and Sheldon B

Elm Class

Mason B and Louie W

Rowan Class

George C and David S

Beech Class

Joshua S and Matilda P

Sycamore Class

Theo M and Noah K

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.



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Kids With Bricks

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

This week the children built models of a barn, some even had animals inside. The models were fantastic!

The children learnt that barns have been used for hundreds of years to store food, shelter animals and keep machinery safe. The barn is said to be the heart of the farm where many different jobs get done. The children discovered that some barns in Britain are more than 500 years old and are still standing.

Marchwood C of E Infant School came first place position the week just before the half term break. The children made pyramids, so Matilda P received a special certificate and a bar of chocolate from the Kids With Bricks team in the post. Well done, Matilda!

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>



Gardening Club

It is getting colder every session at Gardening Club, but the children have continued to brave the wet weather and it was made even easier thanks to a donation of some Gardening Gloves by a parent in the school. Thank you!

This week we planted bulb after bulb after bulb in our tyres and white tubs. These are sleeping now but in the spring time we should see some beautiful flowers popping up (as long as the squirrels don't dig them up first!). We also transplanted the beans Year 2 have been growing into our vegetable tubs to see how they fare over winter - fingers crossed!

One more session to go before we break for the winter season. When we return in March, we may have a few spaces free and will be contacting those on our waiting list. Please speak to the office if you want to be added to the waiting list.
Mr Warren



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A Handy update!



November 2025

Welcome to our Christmas update newsletter! Please share with as many people as you can. For those who don't know who we are – we are THE HANDY TRUST. A full youth support service running in the Waterside area offering youth clubs, holiday clubs, detached work, individual support and much more! We hope you enjoy getting more updates on what we're up to!

CHRISTMAS!

This year, Waterside Christmas appeal is back. The project involves ourselves, Fawley Youth Life and Lisa Hayes working with local businesses and the wider community to ensure every child on the Waterside wakes up to the magic of Christmas with presents and treats...

If you feel you can support our appeal, please get in touch or find the Facebook group 'Waterside Christmas appeal'. If you, or someone you know, needs our support this year – please just get in touch.

Hythe and Marchwood hub sessions –

Our weekly sessions will end with a Christmas party on the 2nd of December for Marchwood, and the 3rd of December for Hythe. In the weeks after, you can catch us out with some Christmas tunes and fun around the Waterside!

We will return as normal on the 13th and 14th January 2026.

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Find us online:



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, roof tiles and a tombola to raise money for St John's Church roof! Plus much more!

13th December, 3pm-8pm Marchwood Village centre and Village Hall.

LIVE NATIVITY

We are giddy with excitement to bring you the LIVE NATIVITY - with real farm animals, re-enactments, Nativity trail - this is set to be a special Christmas event!

14th December at 4pm-7pm Donations welcome! Book your 'Nativity Trail' slot via the website.

CAN YOU FIND JESUS?

Jesus is coming! In 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! Tag us on social media @marchwoodandellingparish - we will be showing 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!

23rd 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 reason for the season has a name, Jesus, Emmanuel - come join the whole parish for worship with lessons and carols in the stunning setting of St Mary's Church, Elling

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 Elling 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, Elling.

There's nothing like welcoming the Prince of Peace by celebrating the peace and communion together!

WWW.MARCHWOODANDELLINGPARISH.ORG/CHRISTMAS



In collective worship this week we have been thinking about showing courage and being brave.

Year R: Ask me about how to make a bread roll?

Year 1: Ask me about how the bad tempered ladybird spoke?

Year 2: Ask me about adjectives to describe the ingredients for a Rascally Cake?

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 17th November - 21st November 2025

Holly	Oak	Elm	Rowan	Beech	Sycamore
97.14%	98.18%	97.5%	97.14%	93.45%	98.28%

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