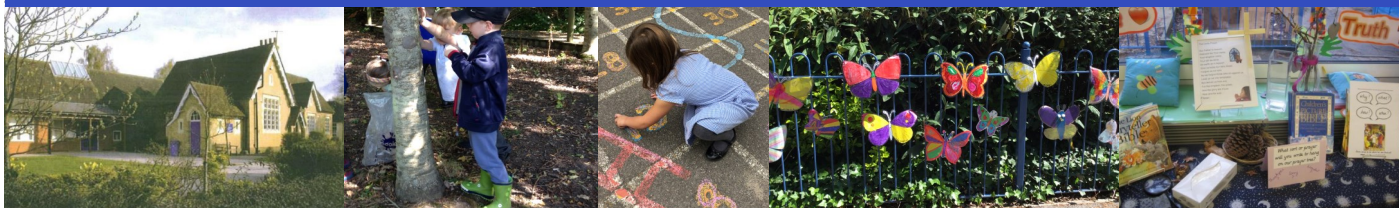


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Message from Mrs Atkins

What an interesting start to the week! Thanks to Mr Porter in his tireless efforts to get the school back up and running on Tuesday.

Well done to the children who came to Park Run on Sunday, we had a great turn out and there was even cake at the end. Mrs Jerome, Mrs Fisher and I were there cheering our team on and we hope to see even more of you this weekend. Go to our facebook page to see photos.

Mrs Gant and I met with Captain Whiting this week to look at ways we can strengthen ties with the military. As a school, a third of our children are connected to the military and we want to make sure that link is celebrated and understood by everyone. If you have any ideas of how to strengthen those ties, please speak to a member of staff. If you are a military family and would like to share some time together then the welfare office hold a partner coffee morning on Fridays 10-12. They would love to see new faces there.

Sadly we have a goodbye and thank you to say to Mrs Wooldridge this week. After many years working with your children she is leaving for pastures new. I'm sure you will all agree that she made an incredible difference to the lives of many children in Marchwood and, although we will miss her, we wish her all the best.

Have a fantastic weekend

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

- **THURSDAY 20TH**
NASAL FLU IMMUNISATIONS
- **THURSDAY 20TH**
MHST ANXIETY COURSE 9AM
- **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
- **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 - 9.30AM Y2 - 1.45PM
- **WEDNESDAY 17TH**
KS1 CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCE
Y2 - 9.30AM 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

John 1:9

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.

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School Charity

Oakhaven Santa Dash 2025!

As part of our School Charity this year we are hoping to get as many families together to take part in Oakhaven Hospice Santa Dash! Santa Dash will be taking place on the morning of **Sunday 7th December 2025** in Lymington and is a 3km run around the town.

Oakhaven say: *"Santa Dash is a festive **fun run!** Some people will be running fast, others will be jogging sedately, walking, strolling, skipping, hopping - or even scootering! Children in decorated buggies are welcome, as are mobility scooters. If you are bringing your dog feel free to dress them up – but short leads are a must"*

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?!



MIS Christmas Fundraising Events

Below is a list of planned events for Christmas with any money raised going to school funds to help provide invaluable resources and experiences for the children.



- **Wednesday 26th November** - 'Dress as you like' for a raffle donation
- **Monday 1st December** - Raffle books go on sale. £1 a ticket. (Drawn Thursday 18th December)
- **Saturday 13th December** - 3pm-8pm, visit our stall at the Marchwood Village Christmas Fayre
- Pop-Up Christmas Gift shop (along side the Tuck Shop). **Afterschool on Thursday 4th, 11th and 18th December.** If the weather is poor the Tuck and Christmas shop will be in the main foyer.

We will also be supporting our school Charity, **Oakhaven Hospice** with the Santa Dash (see above), collections at the end of our year group Christmas performances and donations made on Christmas Jumper Day (5th Dec).

Thank you in advance for your continued support and generosity.
MIS Fundraising Team



This week we are celebrating...

Holly Class

Bella C and Jacob W

Oak Class

Neve B and Nolla-Mary A

Elm Class

Eliza H and Karsten-Uel O

Rowan Class

Pasha P and Logan S

Beech Class

Esme B and Charlie C

Sycamore Class

Theo P and Sherry 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.

Spread Love, Share Joy,
Celebrate Christmas! 🎄



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Kids With Bricks

Kids With Bricks Club started again on Tuesday after school.

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

The children built models of a chicken. The models were amazing!

The children learnt that people have kept chickens for thousands of years and they are one of the most common birds in the whole world. They are very talkative making a variety of different clucks to warn of danger or announce that they have laid an egg. The children discovered that in a flock of chickens there is a pecking order so that the chickens know who is the boss, who is in the middle and who is at the bottom. This enables the flock to live peacefully together. They also discovered that chickens dream and go through different stages of sleep. Scientists believe that when chickens close their eyes for a nap that they might be dreaming of tasty worms, fluffy feathers or being top hen in the flock!

Thank you for so many votes the week before half term, Marchwood C of E Infant School achieved second 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>



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, refreshments, 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 all the found Jesus photos at the LIVE NATIVITY and Christmas Morning!
Running throughout Advent

MESSY CHURCH CHRISTING
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 ELING

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, 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 along 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!

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MARCHWOOD CANDLES
MARCHWOOD VILLAGE

Christmas Market

MARCHWOOD VILLAGE HALL, SO40 4SX

CRAFT & GIFT, TASTY TREATS, AND A LOT MORE

15TH NOV 11AM - 3PM | MARCHWOOD VILLAGE HALL

This event is FREE and open to the public
Food & Drinks will be sold

TO BOOK A STALL PLEASE SEND AN EMAIL TO: MARCHWOODCANDLES@GMAIL.COM

www.marchwood-inf.hants.sch.uk

Telephone: 023 8086 8819

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Children in Need

Thank you to everyone that donated to Pudsey today! The children looked great in their spots and Pudsey gear! At the time of printing we have raised a wonderful **£180**. We can still take donations on our just giving page just click on the picture or QR code below.



MHST Workshop

All parents are welcome to attend the next mental Health Support Team Workshop on **Thursday 20th November at 9am**. You can just turn up on the day, but it would be helpful if you can let the office know beforehand so we have a rough idea of numbers. Please sign in at the office.

Nasal Flu Immunisations

Don't forget to give consent for your child's Nasal Flu Vaccination. The vaccine helps protect against flu, which can be a serious or life-threatening illness.

Click the link below for the electronic form and information about the vaccine. You will need to input the School Code below to complete the form. Access to the form will close two working days prior to the session.

School Code: SH116299

Session date: **Thursday 20th November 2025**

Year Group: **Year R – 2**

Link to website: [Annual Nasal Flu Vaccination Programme - Hampshire - Parents: Health for Kids](https://www.healthforhampshire.nhs.uk/parents/health-for-kids)

The nasal flu vaccine contains products derived from pigs (porcine gelatine). To opt for the porcine gelatine free inactive flu injection, select NO to the nasal flu immunisation and you will be given further options. More information for parents is available from www.nhs.uk/child-flu.

Alternatively, if you decide you **do not** wish your child to receive the vaccine against flu, **please complete the form to record your decision**. This will enable us to update your child's immunisation record.

From the NHS School Age Immunisation Service

Managing Your Child's Anxiety

A face-to-face workshop for parents and carers of Marchwood Infants School, offering information around what anxiety is and tips for how to support your child.

Thursday 20th November at 9am
Marchwood C of E Infants School

Topics covered:	What To Expect:
•What is anxiety? •When & why does anxiety become a problem? •Anxiety disorders •Causes of anxiety •Maintenance of anxiety •How to help your child	The workshop will last for approximately one hour and will be delivered by experienced mental health practitioners from your schools Mental Health Support Team. They will talk through the topics listed and give strategies on how to support children who may be having difficulties with managing worry and anxiety.

School Age Immunisation Service

Get protected against flu

COMING SOON

The Immunisation team will be coming to Marchwood CofE Infant School to administer the flu nasal spray to the students on:

20th Nov 2025

FLU: 5 REASONS TO GET PROTECTED AGAINST FLU

1. Protect your child - The vaccine will help protect your child against flu and serious complications such as bronchitis and pneumonia.
2. Protect you, your family and friends - Having the vaccine will help protect more vulnerable friends and family.
3. No injection needed - The nasal spray is painless and easy to have.
4. It's better than having flu - The nasal spray helps protect against flu and has been given to millions worldwide.
5. Avoid costs - If your child gets flu, you may have to take time off work or arrange alternative childcare.

Scan the QR code to complete a flu consent form (even if you wish to opt out)

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For more information, visit our website:

www.healthforkids.co.uk/hampshire/annual-nasal-flu-vaccination-programme/

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Saints Tots

Is your little one the next Saints superstar? Sign them up to our term-time courses with our FA accredited coaches and they'll leave us a better player with a smile on their face.

VENUE	DAYS	TIMES
DEER PARK SCHOOL, BOTLEY	SAT	09:00 - 09:45
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	SUN	10:00 - 10:45
PLACES LEISURE CENTRE, EASTLEIGH	SAT	09:00 - 09:45 09:45 - 10:30
SALVATION ARMY CHURCH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE, HEDGE END	FRI	10:00 - 10:45
TESTWOOD SCHOOL, TOTTON	FRI	17:00 - 17:45

ALL COURSES PRICED AT **£7.99**

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Skills Centres

The perfect way for your football loving youngster to play football during the school term. Sign them up to our courses with our FA accredited coaches today to develop movement, technique and decision making.

VENUE	PRICES	DAYS	TIMES
DEER PARK SCHOOL, BOTLEY	£8.00	SAT	09:00 - 10:00
EVEREST COMMUNITY ACADEMY, BASINGSTOKE	£9.00	SAT	10:00 - 11:30
HENRY BEAUFORT SCHOOL, WINCHESTER	£9.00	SUN	10:00 - 11:30
PLACES LEISURE CENTRE, EASTLEIGH	£9.00	SAT	09:00 - 10:30
STONEHAM LANE FOOTBALL COMPLEX, EASTLEIGH	£8.00	TUES	17:00 - 18:00
SOUTHAMPTON FC STAPLEWOOD TRAINING GROUND, MARCHWOOD	£8.00	SUN	17:00 - 18:00
TESTWOOD SCHOOL, TOTTON	£9.00	FRI	17:00 - 18:30

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ACE SPORTS Christmas FUN DAY!!

HOLIDAY CLUBS 2025
Action Packed Holiday Club FUN!!

BARTLEY JUNIOR SCHOOL
New Forest

MONDAY 22ND DECEMBER 2025
A FUN Festive Day of Sports & Activities

Check out our February & Easter 2026 Clubs at Bartley online!

10% DISCOUNT FOR ADDITIONAL SIBLINGS!!
8.30PM TO 4.30PM

Childcare Vouchers accepted!!
EXTENDED DAY PASSES TO 5.30PM AVAILABLE
HALF DAYS FOR YEAR 1's UNDER 5 (Ace Mini's)

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

Year R: Ask me about the flower we use to represent Remembrance Day.

Year 1: Ask me about primary colours and what secondary colours we can make.

Year 2: Ask me about how to use a contraction in a sentence and what the apostrophe does.

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 10th November - 14th November 2025

Holly	Oak	Elm	Rowan	Beech	Sycamore
98.21%	96.59%	93.06%	96.43%	92.67%	95.26%

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