

Marchwood C of E Infant School

NEWSLETTER

19TH SEPTEMBER 2025



Message from Mrs Atkins

Thank you to everyone who popped into the coffee morning this Thursday. It was lovely to see you all and get to know you all. The biscuits were a big success! I would like to continue this event a couple of times a half term so keep an eye out for dates. The children have been busy this week and I have had lots of children come to see me with some beautiful writing, science and Maths. If your child comes home with a special Headteacher Merit card (and a smelly sticker) then you know they have shown myself or Mrs Fisher their amazing work.

Our tuck shop on a Thursday after school is back up and running and I know that it is very popular so please come along. Thank you to Mrs Jerome for all the hard work she puts into getting this ready for the children. If you are looking for a way to become more involved in the school then please consider joining our PTA. From running our wonderful school events, to supporting the school and helping strengthen the link between school and families, it really is an important role and means a lot to the school. Our current Chairperson Mrs Ramirez Vidal is stepping down and we would like to extend a big thank you for all the hard work over the years. News about the AGM to come.

Have a lovely weekend and lets hope the sun shines

Sally Atkins



Our new Scholastic Book Club is up and running! Go to <https://schools.scholastic.co.uk/marchwood-infant/digital-book-club> to browse the latest books and order online. For every £1 you spend on this month's Book Club, our school will earn 20p in Scholastic Rewards. Please place your order online by September 25th, 2025.

ISSUE 3

Diary Dates

September

- **MONDAY 22ND**
BIG MOUTH THEATRE CLUB STARTS
- **MONDAY 22ND**
GARDENING CLUB STARTS
- **FRIDAY 26TH**
INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHILDREN
- **TUESDAY 30TH**
SCHOOL STREET PUBLIC MEETING
SCHOOL HALL 3PM-6.30PM,
ALL WELCOME

October

- **WEDNESDAY 8TH**
FRASER PORTRAITS- INDIVIDUAL
SCHOOL PHOTOS
- **TUESDAY 14TH**
PARENT CONSULTATIONS
- **WEDNESDAY 15TH**
PARENT CONSULTATIONS
- **TUESDAY 21ST**
Y1 TRIP TO MARWELL ZOO
- **TUESDAY 21ST**
PTA AGM FOR-
ALL WELCOME (ADULTS ONLY) 6.30PM
- **WEDNESDAY 22ND**
YR PARENTS CURRICULUM MEETING
6.30PM-7.30PM
- **THURSDAY 23RD**
HARVEST SERVICE- ST JOHNS CHURCH
9.30-10.30AM, ALL WELCOME
- **THURSDAY 23RD**
AUTUMN DISCO
- **MONDAY 27TH - FRIDAY 31ST**
HALF TERM BREAK

Bible Verse for the Week

Romans 12:9

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

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Spare Clothing

We are running short of spare underwear, especially socks. If you have any that you are no longer using we would love to have them.

If your child needs to borrow any clothing, please make sure it is washed and returned to school.

If you know your child is likely to need a change of underwear, please put some in a bag in your book bag and let your teacher know.

Thank you.

Attendance & Reporting Absence

If your child is ill, please notify the school on a daily basis by 9.30am by leaving a message on the answerphone or email. Unexplained absence is recorded as unauthorised.

If you are unsure whether your child is well enough to attend, please contact the school office on 023 8086 8819 for advice or visit the Hampshire and Dorset [NHS Can My Child Go To School Today webpage](#) for handy online guidance to help you decide.

Where possible, we ask all parents to book routine medical appointments outside of the school day or in the holidays. Please inform the school office in advance of any medical appointments.

Requests for leave of absence in term time can only be agreed for exceptional circumstances and term time holidays will not usually be authorised. An absence request form needs to be completed for all planned absence in advance. This form is available from the office or you can print your own from our website.

Unauthorised absence of 5 days (10 sessions) or more will trigger a penalty notice to both parents for each child absent.

Housekeeping

Please take a moment to check your contact details on Arbor. We need up to date emergency contact numbers, preferably for 4 contacts.

If you have moved house over the summer please pop into the office with 2 proofs of your new address. This could be a council tax bill, utility bill, driving licence, bank statement or similar.

If your child uses an asthma inhaler, please make sure they have one in school. All medications should be sent into school via the office, not the book bag for safety reasons.



This week we are celebrating...

Elm Class

Cassius M and Ava W

Rowan Class

Sienna RV and Zoe S

Beech Class

Bethany M and Felix C

Sycamore Class

Calla W and Freya G

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.

PTA

Find us on Facebook or email marchwoodceinfpta@gmail.com



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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 Ancient World**.

The children created models of a sphinx. The models were amazing!

The children learnt that a sphinx has the body of a lion and the head of a human. It is one of the largest and oldest statues of the world at over 70 metres long and taller than a house. The children discovered that the sphinx was built as a guardian, standing watch over the pyramids. Egyptians believed it protected the tombs of the pharaohs from intruders.

Last week thanks to so many votes 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>



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Twiggs Lane School Street Proposal



As part of the A326 Major Improvements Scheme, it is proposed to close the northern section of Twiggs Lane to through-traffic and create a new junction between Hythe Road and the A326, to the south west of the Pilgrim Inn.

This closure would support the creation of a School Street on Twiggs Lane, improving safety and encouraging active travel for children and their families travelling to Marchwood Church of England Infant School and Twiggs Lane pre-school.



Find out more at our drop-in event:
Tuesday 30th September from 3 - 6:30pm
Marchwood CofE Infant School, SO40 4ZE

Tell us what you think:
Opens: Noon on Monday 15 September 2025
Closes: 11:59pm on Sunday 26 October 2025



Please scan the QR code or use the link below:
www.hants.gov.uk/transport/transport schemes/twiggs-lane-improvements



Contact Us: engagement.feedback@hants.gov.uk

 BIG MOUTH
THEATRE

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

*Book your
child's place
TODAY!*

- BUILD CONFIDENCE AND SELF-BELIEF
- MEET NEW PEOPLE & MAKE NEW FRIENDS
- LEARN, LAUGH AND LIVE LIFE TO THE FULL

Explore the most awesome stories, characters and places, just from using your imagination... and perhaps a few props!



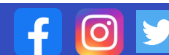
visit **bigmouththeatre.com**
or scan the QR code

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STARTING SCHOOL IN 2026

If your child is 4 or will turn 4 before 1 September 2026, they can start school in September 2026. For more information go to www.hants.gov.uk/admissions. Applications open for Hampshire residents on 1 November 2025.

THE NATIONAL CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS IS THURSDAY 15 JANUARY 2026

DON'T MISS IT!

Hampshire County Council hants.gov.uk



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Starting School in September 2026

New Entrants
Open Mornings & Afternoons

If you have a child due to start school in September 2026 and you would like the opportunity to look around our school, Mrs Atkins would like to invite you to have a guided tour and an informal chat on:

Tuesday 23rd Sep - 9.30am
Wednesday 24th Sep - 9.30am
Wednesday 15th Oct - 1:30 pm
Friday 17th Oct - 9.30am
Monday 17th Nov - 1:30 pm

If you would like to come along, please register at the school office.
023 8086 8819
adminoffice@marchwood-inf.hants.sch.uk



PLANET KIDS c/o OUT OF SCHOOL CLUBS

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PROVIDING OUT OF SCHOOL CLUBS FOR

Beaulieu Village Primary School
Blackfield Primary School
Fawley Infant School
Hythe Primary School
Marchwood Infant School
Orchard Schools
Waterside Primary School
Wildground Federation

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SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE!

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2025 Open Events

Join us at:

9.10am- 10.30am on
Thurs 9th Oct or Tues 14th Oct
or
5pm-6pm on
Thurs 9th Oct

Meet the Headteacher and Senior Leaders, have a tour of the school and feel free to ask any questions!

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SOLENT GATEWAY 2

Have your say on our emerging proposals for Solent Gateway 2

Artistic impression sketch of Solent Gateway 2. This is indicative and based on our emerging proposals.



Please drop-in to one of our community information events to find out more about our proposals or visit our website:

solentgateway2.co.uk

Location	Date	Time
Marchwood Village Hall, Marchwood, Southampton, SO40 4SX	Wednesday 24 September 2025	3pm to 8pm
City Cruise Terminal Arrivals Lounge, Western Docks, Southampton, SO15 1BS <i>Enter via Dock Gate 10. Parking available on the day. A member of port staff will be present to assist.</i>	Thursday 25 September 2025	10am to 3pm
Marchwood Village Hall, Marchwood, Southampton, SO40 4SX	Friday 26 September 2025	3pm to 8pm
Hythe & Dibden Parish Hall, West Street, Hythe, Southampton, SO45 6AA	Tuesday 30 September 2025	3pm to 8pm
Hythe & Dibden Parish Hall, West Street, Hythe, Southampton, SO45 6AA	Friday 3 October 2025	3pm to 8pm
West Totton Community Centre, Hazel Farm Road, Totton, Southampton, SO40 8WU	Saturday 4 October 2025	2pm to 5pm

We will also be hosting two webinars via Zoom, starting at 6pm on Wednesday 1 October and Wednesday 8 October 2025. To register to attend, please visit our website: **solentgateway2.co.uk**

How to get involved



Come along to the community information events or join a webinar to find out more about the proposals and share your thoughts.



Email us at
contact@solentgateway2.co.uk



Visit the consultation website at **solentgateway2.co.uk** and submit your thoughts using the feedback form or interactive map.



Write to us at
FREEPOST SGTWO
(you don't need a stamp)



If you have any questions, you can get in touch on **0800 136 9193**.



Scan the QR code to visit our website

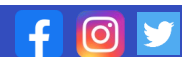
First round consultation now open – Tuesday 16 September to Monday 13 October 2025

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In collective worship this week we have been thinking about what our school value of 'Hope' means.

Year R: Ask me about what sharing means?

Year 1: Ask me how I made my hat structure stronger and more rigid?

Year 2: Ask me about what happened to Little red Riding Hood?

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 September - 19th September 2025

Holly	Oak	Elm	Rowan	Beech	Sycamore
95.06%	99.43%	97.62%	96.43%	95.4%	96.93%

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