

Marchwood C of E Infant School

NEWSLETTER

12 JUNE 2026



Message from Mrs Atkins

It's been another great week in school, despite all the rain. We have to keep reminding ourselves that summer is just around the corner. This week Oak class braved the rain and enjoyed their first session of forest school.



We loved using our senses to discover our environment around us and discovered lots of different things that were soft, tickly and even some things that were yellow! If you are interested in helping support our forest school, we would love volunteers to come and create some herb and flower beds for us.

Y2 welcomed Mr Hoskins back in this week with his Junior Leadership Team. The children asked great questions and learnt more about what life will be like in the junior school.

Next Thursday is our planned Sports Day, and we hope lots of you can come along and cheer on your team to make the morning a fun and positive one. Please walk if at all possible, as parking will be busy.

We are looking forward to seeing all our fathers and father figures next Friday afternoon from 1.30pm for our Fathers' Day event. Please remember that this is an adults only event and for health and safety and fire regulations, we are unable to accommodate younger or older siblings in school for this event.

Don't forget to tell a teacher or email in if your child has shown our Christian values outside of school – we would love to recognise them. In worship this week we welcomed one of our new governors – Liz Allen who explored the story from the bible of The miraculous catch of Fish and how we can always use our faith or the people around us when we are worried or scared.

Have a fantastic weekend

Sally Atkins

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Diary Dates

June

- **MONDAY 15TH**
SEP 26 YR TRANSITION AFTERNOON
GROUP A 1.30PM -2.30PM
- **GARDENING CLUB**
- **TUESDAY 16TH**
Y1 TRIP TO HAROLD HILLIER ARBORETUM
- **Y2 INDUCTION MEETING AT MJS 6-7PM**
- **THURSDAY 18TH**
SPORTS DAY 9.30AM
- **FRIDAY 19TH**
FATHERS DAY AFTERNOON 1.30-2.30PM
(NO SIBLINGS)
- **MONDAY 22ND**
SEP 26 YR TRANSITION AFTERNOON
GROUP B 1.30PM -2.30PM
- **TUESDAY 23RD**
M&M THEATRE -WIZARD OF OZ
- **FRIDAY 26TH**
INSET - SCHOOL CLOSED FOR CHILDREN
- **MONDAY 29TH**
PRAZIN HANDS PUPPETS
- **SEP 26 YR TRANSITION AFTERNOON**
GROUP A 1.30PM -2.30PM
- **MONDAY 29TH**
GARDENING CLUB

July

- **THURSDAY 2ND**
OAK CLASS LED COLLECTIVE WORSHIP
2.45PM
- **FRIDAY 3RD**
TRANSITION DAY (Y2 TO MJS)
- **MONDAY 6TH**
SEP 26 YR TRANSITION AFTERNOON
GROUP B 1.30PM -2.30PM
- **FINAL CLUB – BM THEATRE, GARDENING & GYM**
- **TUESDAY 7TH**
FINAL CLUB - CROSS-COUNTRY & KWB
- **THURSDAY 9TH**
YR TEDDY BEAR AFTERNOON 1.30PM
- **FRIDAY 10TH**
END OF YEAR REPORTS TO PARENTS
- **MONDAY 13TH**
Y2 ROMSEY ABBEY LEAVERS SERVICE
- **WEDNESDAY 15TH**
Y2 LEAVERS SERVICE 1.50PM-3PM
- **Y2 LEAVERS BBQ 4.30PM-6.00PM**
- **THURSDAY 16TH**
FINAL CLUB - SFC FOOTBALL
- **PROUD AFTERNOON 3.15PM-4.15PM**
- **FRIDAY 17TH**
ROCK STEADY CONCERT - BY INVITATION
9.15AM
- **MONDAY 20TH**
Y2 TRIP TP PAULTONS PARK
- **WEDNESDAY 22ND - LAST DAY OF TERM**

MIS Fundraising Team

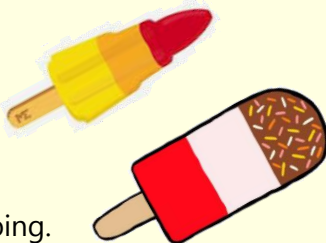
It's our school Sports Day on Thursday **18th June 2026!**
The weather forecast looks good, currently a lovely 21 degrees and no rain!

After sports day all children will be given a lolly to refresh themselves after all the exercise they've been doing.

To continue with our successful fundraising efforts this year, we are asking for a donation of £1 for a lolly. The payment can be made by card on Arbor - school shop or in cash in a clearly labelled sealed envelope. (No loose cash please.)

Thank you for your Support!

MIS Fundraising Team



Kids With Bricks

The theme for this half term is **Castaway catastrophe**.

This week the children created models of an island shelter, some of them made the letters S.O.S. as well as a palm tree. The models were fantastic!

The children had to imagine that they were on a deserted island and rule number one of survival is to find somewhere safe to build a shelter near water and food. The children discovered that there have been real life castaways who have survived for years on desert islands. One famous sailor was Alexander Selkirk who lived alone for four years and inspired the story of Robinson Crusoe

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 online for the best model, so have a look. **Votes are now made on their Facebook page.** From Sunday each week, after all schools have uploaded their photos, there is a 'competition post' and all you have to do is give our school's build a like. The school with the most likes wins.

Please use the link below which will take you to the website, click on VOTE NOW

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



School Uniform

As we are approaching the end of the school year and you may be sorting through school clothing. If you are unable to pass uniform onto siblings or friends, we would love to have any spare uniform, that is in good condition for our pre-loved uniform stock. Just pop it into the office.

Like wise if you need any uniform items please ask. We are short of Girls Logo cardigans but we do have other items. (£1 per jumper/cardigan, dresses and trousers, 50p for shorts, polo tops and T-shirts.)

Bible Verse for the Week

Isaiah 41:10

'Fear not, for I am with you; be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.'



This week we are celebrating...

Holly Class

Bella C and Sophia K

Oak Class

Joshua W and Kodi M

Elm Class

Otis M and Freddie S-M

Rowan Class

Shantel A and Findlay S

Beech Class

Finley L and Elijah E

Sycamore Class

Manny O and Chloe R

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.

If your child is away, you may join us the following week.

A Governor Message

I feel extremely proud and blessed in becoming a Foundation Governor at Marchwood Church of England Infant School.

As I have been getting to know how great the school is, I thought you would like to know a little bit about me and my background.

SACRE - Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education

The role of SACRE is to support and give advice to the local authority, schools, teachers, parents/carers on matters that are related to collective worship and religious education in community schools.

Southampton SACRE is a statutory body, made up of people from a wide range of faith groups who volunteer to be members. It is not part of the local authority, which means that they can ask us to review our locally agreed religious education syllabus.

A **Foundation governor** is a member of the governing body of a Church of England School. They are responsible for making sure the school's Christian ethos is looked after and developed.

Foundation governors, along with other governors, are like the guiding hands behind the scenes of the school, ensuring that every child receives the best possible education.

I began teaching in 1998 in a Southampton school where I led English, Music and Religious Education. I also became a Staff Governor. I stayed at the school for 9 years and progressed to becoming a Deputy Head Teacher in a Church of England school in Southampton in 2007. I thoroughly enjoyed using my Christian background to support the children and the team at the school. I continued until 2024, when I retired from Education.

For several years, I was a member of the SACRE -

Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education in Southampton.

Currently, I am lucky enough to be a Church Warden for Marchwood and Eling Parish Churches. Working alongside Revd. Lauren Cheshire, means I will be able to come in to school to support or lead Collective Worship time, which I am looking forward to.

Church Warden

A church warden is a mix of being a leader and a helper. They help the church run smoothly. These are some of the things they do:

- Work with the vicar to manage daily tasks.
- Check the church building and grounds are safe.
- Welcome visitors
- During services make sure everyone is safe.



Miss Elizabeth Allen

Being a school governor is a rewarding opportunity that offers a chance to make a positive impact on improving education for children. I intend to do my very best for the children in Marchwood Church of England Infant School.

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 8th June – 12th June 2026

Holly	Oak	Elm	Rowan	Beech	Sycamore
97.14%	95.45%	93.57%	88.62%	99%	93.21%



In collective worship this week we have been thinking about special people in the bible.

Year R: Ask me about what is the same and different when looking at family and myself?

Year 1: Ask me about what Jewish people do during Shabbat?

Year 2: Ask me about money and how to make the same value using different coins?

Helping an ADHD Child with Homework



FREE one hour online session for parents
Thursday 25th June 7pm - 8pm

Join us online to get some advice on how to help your ADHD child start and complete their homework.

Book on the PARENTS - Live Talks page
facefamilyadvice.co.uk

A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM

Join us for a celebration of The Villagers 40th year with an open air production of Shakespeare's timeless tale of enchantment, humour, and romance in the idyllic setting of Buckler's Hard.

SUNDAY 19TH JULY 2026

**PERFORMANCE STARTS 6PM
AT BUCKLER'S HARD, NEW FOREST, SO42 7XB**

BRING YOUR OWN PICNIC AND CHAIR AND STEP INTO A WORLD WHERE FAIRIES WHISPER, LOVERS WANDER, AND DREAMS BLUR INTO REALITY.

**BOOK TICKETS
ON EVENTBRITE HERE**



OR FOLLOW THE LINK ON OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.HOME-STARHAMPSHIRE.ORG.UK

Charity Number: 1144661

All proceeds raised from ticket sales and raffle on the night will help Home Start Hampshire continue supporting families in the New Forest.

