

# Marwood Primary School Newsletter

11/12/2020

Dear Parent / Carer

We have one more week to go until the end of term. Staff and children have worked incredibly hard this term. I am proud and appreciative of all their efforts. Following guidance we are now making Classes 3 and 4 separate bubbles and the classes will be distanced inside the school buildings.

Covid secure: Christmas break contact tracing – up to and including Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December please email [adobson@marwood.devon.sch.uk](mailto:adobson@marwood.devon.sch.uk) if your child returns a positive test result.

Thank you to all those children who have made a Christmas card for Mrs. East. They will be delivered to her today and she hopes to send a message to everyone next week.

Christmas events. We are sharing the following short productions online via MS Teams. Each family has been sent an email invitation to their child's production. We are also going to record the events which (if it works) will be available to download from the Teams chat after the event. Please note the times for Classes 1 and 4 have been brought forward on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> Dec. People watching online must have their own camera off and microphone muted.

Please join just before the start times below and you will be admitted from the virtual lobby when it is about to start.

**Class 2** Christmas Songs - **Monday 14th 2:00 pm,**

**Class 1** Short Nativity - **Tuesday 15th Dec 1:15 pm,**

**Class 4** Two Christmas Songs with musical accompaniment - **Tuesday 15th 2:00 pm**

**Class 3** Two songs **Thurs 17th 2:00 pm**

**Christmas Jumper Week** – 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> December children (and staff) can wear Christmas jumpers / tops (or decorate their school top) in the last week of term. The children and I would appreciate donations of at least £1 to go to Save the Children [Christmas Jumper Day 2020 | Save the Children UK](#)

MSA Hamper raffle is taking place after school today – huge thanks to all who made it happen this year.

Springfield Nursery are running Christmas events details further on in this newsletter.

Christingle – Mrs Williamson demonstrated how to make a Christingle from the kit each child will bring home today – details further on in this newsletter.

**Are you furloughed? Working from home and bored of looking at the same four walls? Do you want to get out in the fresh air and support children at school? Marwood School has just the job for you - Meal Time Supervisors needed** – To help children enjoy lunchtimes within their bubbles we have vacancies for 2 Meal Time Supervisors. Monday to Friday; one role 11:30 – 1:00 and the other 12:00- 1:00. Full induction and an enhanced Safeguarding DBS check will be undertaken. If you cannot offer every day please get in touch as a number of people could share the roles. If you are not able to help, please pass this message on. For further information and an application form please contact the school office. [admin@marwood.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@marwood.devon.sch.uk) 01271 850395

School tours for new parents are not able to take place. If you know of someone who is looking for a place for their child to start at Marwood in September 2021 please ask them to email the school office; and we will set up a Teams conversation. [admin@marwood.devon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@marwood.devon.sch.uk)

## Covid 19 Contact Tracing during the Christmas Holidays

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are really fortunate not to have needed to close a bubble so far this term and so I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone for following all the rules and advice, which help to keep our school community safe.

We are providing home learning for those who need to isolate. Resources are on the learning pages of the school website [www.marwood.devon.sch.uk](http://www.marwood.devon.sch.uk) Our Teams meetings with those isolating have worked really well.

If you ever need to ask for Covid 19 education advice, the DfE has a dedicated number for schools and parents on 0800 046 8687.

**Contact Tracing** - contact me [adobson@marwood.devon.sch.uk](mailto:adobson@marwood.devon.sch.uk) up to and including Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December.

I put details in last week's newsletter which I need to update as some of the dates were wrong. I need parents and staff to contact me at [adobson@marwood.devon.sch.uk](mailto:adobson@marwood.devon.sch.uk) if there is a positive Covid-19 test result up to and including Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> December. I will then take any necessary actions to inform people via email if anyone needs to isolate. The key question is when did the symptoms start and who was the positive case in contact with in the 48 hours before?









We have done an amazing job in our community at keeping safe. I am really proud and appreciative of our staff and children for doing so well over this term, working hard and trying their best during a time that has been challenging for all.

My request is that you continue to be extra vigilant over the short time we have until Christmas, in order for us all to enjoy a happy and healthy Christmas with our families.

Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions, please get in touch.

Kind regards

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**Thank you so much  
for all your  
contributions! We  
will be drawing the  
winners on  
December 11th so  
if you would like  
any raffle tickets  
please contact  
Sophie Lerwill,  
Charlotte Cummins  
or message us on  
the MSA Facebook  
page!**



# Marwood Menu

WEEK BEGINNING <b>14/12/2020</b>					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
		<b>Meal served in a carton to eat in class</b>	<b>Everyone will get a Christmas party cracker</b>		
<b>OPTION 1</b>	Sausage Rolls with wedges	Beef Burgers and Curly Fries	<b>Christmas Dinner</b>	Pasta Carbonara with bacon	Fish and Chips
<b>OPTION 2</b>	Vegetarian Sausage Rolls with wedges	Quorn Southern Style Burgers and Curly Fries	<b>Vegetarian Christmas Dinner</b>	Pasta Carbonara without bacon	Quorn Nuggets and Chips
<b>OPTION 3</b>	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	<b>X</b>	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	<b>X</b>
<b>SIDES</b>	Beans or sweetcorn	Carrot and cucumber sticks	Sprouts, carrots, broccoli, stuffing, pigs in blankets	Mixed veg	Peas



BOOK TICKETS FOR..



**SPRINGFIELD'S**  
**FIRST CHRISTMAS**  
**EVENT!**



Date: 10<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> - 18<sup>th</sup> of  
December  
Springfield Farm, Marwood, Barnstaple  
EX31 4DU



Join us for..

A magical Christmas light display around the farmyard and enjoy a warm mug of hot cocoa along the way, as well as PRIZES to be won!

AND meet some of our animals here at Springfield.

Visit [springfield-farm.com](http://springfield-farm.com) to book tickets **NOW**



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Springfield Farm



Dear Parent/carer,

Friday December 11<sup>th</sup> 2020

Each year, Marwood Parish Church support the work of the Childrens'Society by holding a Christingle service for families. We usually prepare by making the christingles at school with the children.

As there are different circumstances this year, we are sending each child a bag containing items to make their own christingle at home with adult supervision.

If you would like to join in our local on-line Christingle service on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December**, you can access it by logging on to ::  
[www.northtaw.org.uk](http://www.northtaw.org.uk) Online Christingle Service

Alternatively you can access a national service via facebook or utube. And if you would like to find out more about the work of the Children's Society and make a donation, you can log in to their website:  
[www.childrengssociety.org.uk](http://www.childrengssociety.org.uk)

We hope that you will enjoy making the christingles with your child. Wishing you a very happy and safe Christmas.

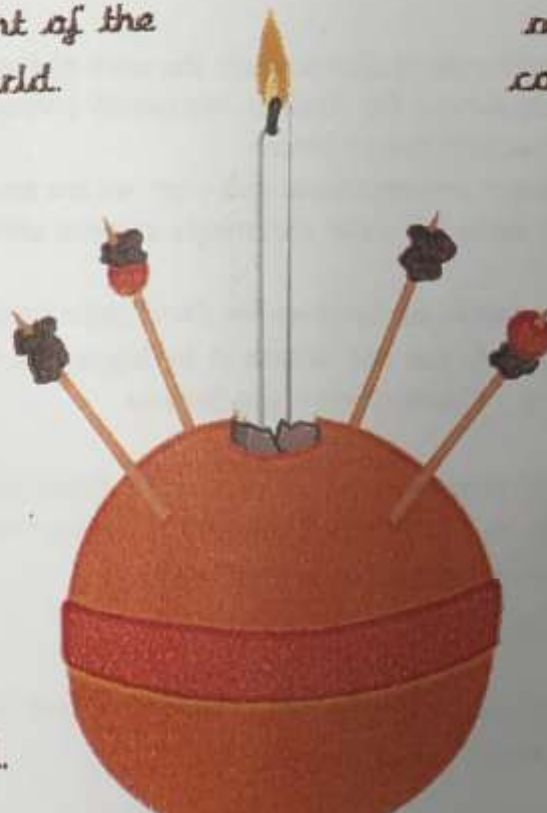
Marwood Parish Church



*The lit candle  
represents Jesus as  
the Light of the  
World.*

*The 4 sticks  
represent the four  
compass directions  
and the four  
seasons.*

*The fruits or sweets  
skewered on sticks  
represent the fruits  
of the Earth.*



*The red ribbon (or  
red paper frill)  
represents the blood  
love of Jesus.*

*The orange  
represents the world.*