

### Dear Parent / Carer

Welcome to a new school year – it has been an amazing start and a real privilege to have your children so engaged with their learning at Marwood School. Everyone deserves a chance to rest over the weekend.

<u>Staffing</u> – We have welcomed Mrs Helen Jones to Class 3 and Mrs Emily Long to Class 4 – their contact details and days in school are below. Mr Oliver Vallance is a training with Devon Primary SCITT in Class 3.

Reading – Mrs Cohen and the staff have made changes to our reading resources and guided reading in school. Please find the parent guide attached to the email and on the school website. A key aspect is that children will keep the same book for longer, to become really familiar with the text, please do not expect books changed daily. Mrs Cohen and I would really appreciate feedback on reading.

Swimming - Monday 13th Sept - Class 3 are swimming at Ilfracombe pool. Parents have been sent details.

<u>Covid 19</u> – I am part of the Devon Schools Covid 19 Reference Group where DCC officers, Public Health professionals and school leaders discuss the issues and how we can keep children learning safely in school. I have attached the Government / NHS guidance to parents with this newsletter.

Public Health advice is that for other illnesses please keep your child off school until they are well enough to return. For sickness / diarrhoea children can return to school 48 hours after they were last unwell.

Marwood School Association MSA (the parents and friends group) is holding its AGM in the Community Hall on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September starting at 7:30pm. This group has raised £1000s over the years to benefit the school, all are welcome and it would be great to see new parents.

Ofsted Parent View – It has been more than 13 years since Ofsted last visited Marwood School. It would be very much appreciated if parents could complete the survey on Give your views | Ofsted Parent View | If you have not used the service before you will need to complete a quick registration process on the site.

<u>Traffic and parking</u>— Please take care of pedestrians in the lanes. Class 1 Parents using the car park must remain in the car park until 8:30 to prevent congestion in the access lane. As we now have more cars than spaces please carefully block each other in. Springfield breakfast and afterschool club need to park next to the container.

Please note that traffic light controlled roadworks at Lynton Cross, to install a roundabout, are causing long delays and traffic may use the 'back lanes' to avoid it. These drivers will not know about our voluntary one way system.

## Kind regards

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		vcohen@marwood.devon.sch.uk  Vicki Cohen – English / Contingency and Isolation contact.		

After School Clubs Autumn 2021									
Monday	Tuesday	Friday							
Tennis	Football	Karate							
Devonshire Tennis Academy	Exeter Soccer Schools	North Devon Karate – Will Homa							
KS1 and KS2 3:00 - 4:00pm	KS1 and KS2 3:00 - 4:00pm	KS1 and KS2 3:00 – 4:00pm							
Restarts Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> September	Restarts Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> September								

# **Marwood Menu**

Our new foundation children are staying to lunch from next week. Mrs Rowe and Sam in the kitchen are really looking forward to serving them. Please talk through the menu in the morning to help your child make their choice.

WEEK BEGINNING 13/09/2021											
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY Outdoor meal						
OPTION 1	Chilli and Rice Mixed Veg	BBQ Chicken Pizza Potatoes and Sweetcorn	Roast Turkey  Roast  Potatoes and  Mixed Veg	Meatball Subs Pasta and Sweetcorn	Fish and Chips						
OPTION 2	Cheese Wheels Mixed Veg	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Potatoes and Sweetcorn	Quorn Roast Roast Potatoes and Mixed Veg	Plant based Meatball Subs Pasta and Sweetcorn	Southern Style Vegetable Burgers and Chips						
OPTION 3	Jacket Potato  Beans and  Cheese	Jacket Potato  Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato  Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato  Beans and Cheese	Х						

Please ensure all your children's clothes have their name in, it really helps your child take responsibility for their things.



Athletes must be aged 8 years and above

Adults = £5 Children = £3 Family of 4 = £12

There will be a smaller run for children aged 5 to 7

Toddlers run on the Rectory lawn

(There will be a crèche £1 per child)

Please let Kate Moore (07799067989) know ASAP if you intend entering.

All Proceeds to Marwood Church Restoration Fund

# Author visit and book signing

We are fortunate to be welcoming author, poet and story teller, Chitra Soundar, into school in the new school year on Tuesday October  $5^{th}$ .



Chitra Soundar is an Indian-born British writer, storyteller and author of children's books, based in London. Chitra grew up on a wholesome diet of stories from Indian myths, epics and folklore. She's funny with friends, plays pranks at work and puts a lot of jokes into her books that are usually set in India or in Indian homes. She is keen to create stories with Asian themes and protagonists that have broad appeal to children from all backgrounds.

Chitra has been a teacher, programmer and other complicated jobs that grownups do in an office. She has written picture books, stories for emerging readers, poetry and junior fiction. She occasionally writes some poems too. Chitra's picture

books, especially The Farmer Falgu series have been translated into French, German, Thai, Japanese and American English and are quite popular amongst children. In the UK, Chitra is published by Walker Books, Otter-Barry Books, Lantana Publishing, Bloomsbury amongst others. She has over 30 books in print worldwide. In 2018, A Jar of Pickles and a Pinch of Justice won the Eugenie Summerfield Children's Book Prize.

You can find out more about her here:

## https://www.chitrasoundar.com/

Through the Appledore book festival, we are being offered a Waterstones discount of 25% off her published books. If you would like one ordered and ready in school to be signed by Chitra while she is here, please purchase via the School Gateway.

The books on offer are:

Pattan's Pumpkin £7.99 After discount: £6

A Dollop of Ghee and a Pot of Wisdom £6.99 After discount: £5.25

A Jar of Pickles and a pinch of Justice £6.99 After discount: £5.25

A Sliver of Moon and a Shard of Truth £6.99 After discount: £5.25

Sona Sharma Looking After Planet Earth £6.99 After discount: £5.25

You can find out more about the books on the Waterstones/ amazon website

Marwood Term Dates 2021 – 2022 Children are expected to attend on all days marked yellow.

Please note there will be one extra day of closure for the Queen's Jubilee in this school year, probably either 27<sup>th</sup> May or 6<sup>th</sup> June. I will let you know once it has been agreed.

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