

Marwood Primary School Newsletter

24/09/2021

Dear Parent / Carer

Marwood School Association The Marwood School Association MSA (parents and friends group) are holding our AGM in the Community Hall on Wednesday 29th September starting at 7:30pm.

We would love to see as many of you as possible. Over the years the MSA has raised £1000s to benefit the school.

We are always looking for fresh faces and new ideas. Don't be shy! We really do make a difference and are looking forward to organising lots of fun events for the whole school community to enjoy. We can't do it without you. Please come :-) 29/9/21 @ 19:30

Health and Relationships Education –Every class had a visit from Helen Morrell the educator from Coram Life Education today. This is part of our sequence of health education throughout the year and the MSA help towards the cost of the visit. Please talk to your children about what they learned. Further information for parents is on page 3 of this newsletter.

Reading- It has been great to see so many parent comments in children's reading diaries – it is really effective to work in partnership to improve children's reading. Please give feedback to Mrs Cohen regarding the reading changes.

Class 1 Foundation Parents are invited to a distanced meeting in the hall 2:30pm on Friday 1st October to discuss the Foundation curriculum, phonics and reading.

Covid 19 – Thank you to everyone for taking precautions to help reduce transmission of Covid 19. It is vital that symptomatic children and adults isolate until a PCR result is known. PCR testing is best arranged online [Welcome - COVID Testing Portal \(service-now.com\)](https://www.service-now.com/welcome-covid-testing-portal) the results are coming back quickly – usually 24 hours.











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](https://www.ofsted.gov.uk/parent-view) If you have not used the service before you will need to complete a quick registration process on the site.

Traffic – The works and road closures to improve the Lynton Cross junction is causing an increase in traffic on the Hore Down Gate to Prieford road. Please take care and note that some drivers are finding themselves trying to go against our voluntary one way traffic flow – please be patient with them.

Marwood's School Council – Six of the new councillors were involved in a Devon participation project this week. There is a county wide interest in getting the voices of all young people involved in making decisions. The two project workers are looking forward to coming again.

Kind regards

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

Marwood Menu

Please talk through the menu in the morning to help your child make their choice.

WEEK BEGINNING 27/09/2021					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY Outdoor meal
OPTION 1	<p>Mac 'n' Cheese with bacon</p> <p>Mixed Veg</p>	<p>Pasta Bolognese</p> <p>Peas</p>	<p>Roast Chicken and stuffing</p> <p>Roast Potatoes, Broccoli and Carrots</p>	<p>All Day Breakfast</p> <p>Diced Potatoes, Beans, Mushrooms and Tomatoes</p>	<p>Battered Fish and Chips</p>
OPTION 2	<p>Mac 'n' Cheese</p> <p>Mixed Veg</p>	<p>Vegetable Pasta Bake</p> <p>Peas</p>	<p>Vegetable Puff</p> <p>Roast Potatoes, Broccoli and Carrots</p>	<p>All Day Quorn Breakfast</p> <p>Beans, Mushrooms and Tomatoes</p>	<p>Quorn Dippers and Chips</p>
OPTION 3	<p>Jacket Potato</p> <p>Beans and Cheese</p>	<p>Jacket Potato</p> <p>Beans and Cheese</p>	<p>Jacket Potato</p> <p>Beans and Cheese</p>	<p>Jacket Potato</p> <p>Beans and Cheese</p>	<p>X</p>

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

As the weather turns wetter and colder please make sure you child has appropriate clothing – coat and jumper – to wear outside at break times.

Relationships and Health Education

The Coram Life Education & SCARF team will be visiting Marwood School on Friday 24th September. Helen, the educator, will lead a session in each class and work with the children on the areas below.

The children's charity Coram Life Education provides Health and Wellbeing Education support to schools. Workshops are delivered by skilled educators and the **SCARF** resource is the framework of our PSHE (Personal, Social, Health & Economic) education curriculum.

Workshops – LifeBase

The fun, interactive and age-appropriate workshops help children to understand the importance of physical and emotional health; they learn vital life-skills that are also known to help their overall achievement.

- Early Years and Key Stage 1: children learn about keeping their bodies healthy, managing feelings, being a good friend and the safe use of medicines.
- Key Stage 2: children explore emotional needs, choices that can affect health and wellbeing, qualities of friendship, how to cope with bullying and the influence of friends. They also consider the effects and risks of drug use, including medicines, alcohol and tobacco as well as learning about how few people in their age group actually use non-medical drugs – this is social norms education.

Wider PSHE education and SCARF

Over 45,000 teachers across the UK are now subscribers – here are some reasons why we have chosen this resource:

- SCARF provides a whole-school approach to building essential foundations – crucial for children to achieve their best, academically and socially
- Supports learning across all ages
- Timetabled lessons to support mental health & wellbeing
- Covers all the new DfE statutory requirements for Relationships and Health Education
- Regularly updated online curriculum
- Supports our school in meeting Ofsted's expectations
- UK's leading charity provider – not for profit

Click [here](#) to find out more about Coram Life Education & SCARF

Parents can find activities on 'Me and My Relationships' to use at home [here](#).

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 5th.



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/>

Devon School Term Dates: 2021-22 Academic Year

School Name (s)		Marwood School													
DfE number (s)		878 2238													
Contact name		Alun Dobson													
Date submitted		04/12/2019													
		Sep-2021				Oct-2021				Nov-2021					
Monday		N	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29	
Tuesday		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30	
Wednesday	1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	3	10	17	24		
Thursday	2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	4	11	18	25		
Friday	3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29	5	12	19	26	
Saturday	4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	
Sunday	5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	
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Friday	3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	
Saturday	4	11	18	25	1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26	
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		Mar-2022				Apr-2022				May-2022					
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		Jun-2022				Jul-2022				Aug-2022					
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Sunday	5	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	
key:		days within Devon's school terms				days outside Devon's school terms				Bank Holidays and weekends					