

Marwood Primary School Newsletter

01/10/2021

Dear Parent / Carer

This week's newsletter is a bumper edition with information I would like to share with you. Next week I am away with the Class 4 residential trip and the newsletter will be shorter!

All classes are looking forward to their workshops with Chitra Soundar on Tuesday as part of Appledore Book Festival's outreach to schools. Staff and I hope she will encourage great imagination in the children's writing.

Parent Governor Vacancy I have sent details of the vacancy and application process with this newsletter. Please consider how you could help make a difference at Marwood School. Application deadline Friday 15th October.

Parent Teacher Consultations 11th to 21st October via MS Teams. For children in years 1 to 6 we are running 10 minute online appointments. Please let us know your preferred day by completing the form on the link below.

Year 1 (including Class 1 year 1 children) and Year 2 <https://forms.office.com/r/hFRek6EPMX>

Year 3 and 4 <https://forms.office.com/r/EMb8xrAUYM>

Year 5 and 6 <https://forms.office.com/r/gtjazYT2rA>

Foundation parents please speak to staff at the gate.

Mrs Griffin is offering appointments on 11th 12th 18th 19th Oct 3:30 – 4:10

Mrs May is offering appointments on 14th and 21st Oct 3:15 – 4:15

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.

Marwood School Association Thank you to all who joined (in person and virtually) the meeting this week. Please see the MSA information on page 7.











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.

Harvest We will be holding our Harvest assembly on Tuesday 19th October – families are invited to make a food / toiletry donation on the day, which will form the backdrop to the assembly and given to the Barnstaple Freedom Centre.

Drop off at the three gates Please note that staff who are on duty at our three gates in the morning are expected to start work in class at 8:30 and the gates will be closed. Families arriving after 8:30 will need to ring the bell and wait to be let in. Children are expected to arrive at school between 8:20 and 8:30am.

Kind regards

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

Marwood Menu

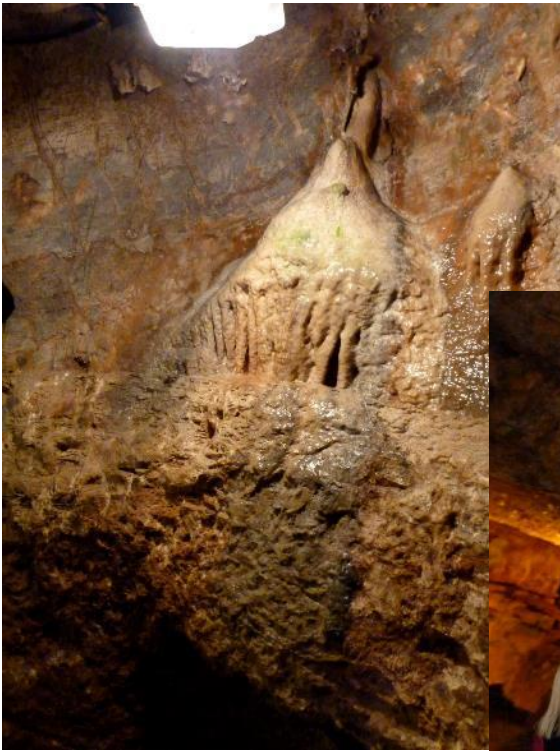
Please talk through the menu in the morning to help your child make their choice.

WEEK BEGINNING 04/10/2021					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY Outdoor meal
OPTION 1	Hot Dogs Potato Wedges and Beans	Pork Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Mixed Veg	Roast Turkey Roast Potatoes and Farmhouse Veg	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Muffin Potatoes and Sweetcorn	Battered Fish and Chips
OPTION 2	Quorn Dogs Potato Wedges and Beans	Plant Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Mixed Veg	Quorn Fillet Roast Potatoes and Farmhouse Veg	<u>Dessert</u> Chocolate Cracknel	Southern Style Burger and Chips
OPTION 3	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	X

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

Class 3's trip to Kents Cavern Torquay

The children really enjoyed learning about the creatures and humans who had lived in and around the cave over thousands of years.



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 Primary SCITT (School-Centred Initial Teacher Training)

We are proud to be a member of Devon Primary SCITT, a teacher training partnership made up of 50 schools throughout Devon. Since 2000, the partnership has been offering outstanding teacher training for 30-40 prospective primary school teachers each year. It is a school-centred programme, with trainees based in partner schools for the majority of the time on the 1 year course, supported by high quality central training leading to the award of a PGCE and qualified teacher status.

As one of the partner schools, we often have trainees in one or more of our classes, working alongside an experienced teacher to support and lead learning. If you have ever thought about training to be a teacher, and would like to find out more about doing so through Devon Primary SCITT, you can find more information at www.dpscitt.ac.uk.

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	Reading at home	Entry in Reading Record / Journal
EYFS	5 times a week	Parent comment for each read
KS1	5 times a week 15-20mins	Parent comment for each read
LKS2	5 times a week 15-20mins 3 times at least to an adult	At least 3 parent entries a week Children start to record their own reading too. Children select a different activity from the list each time they finish a book.
UKS2	Daily of which at least 2 reads a week to/ with an adult at least 15-20 mins	2 adult entries a week + at least 3 child entries Children can record their own reading and do one reading activity a week from the list as homework.



We have been talking about 'The 5 Finger Check' in classes 2-4 over the last few weeks- please see the poster below and ask your children how this is going to help them know whether a book is a good level of challenge.



Five Finger Rule

How to choose a book that is just right for you.
Open the book to any page.
Put up a finger for each word you don't know.



5 Too tricky!

3-4 Give it a go!

1-2 Just perfect!

0-1 Too easy!



Marwood School Association Info Sheet 2021



The MSA are excited to be planning events and activities to kick start the new school term!

The MSA add a huge amount to life at Marwood School and in the past have funded the building of the wooden shelter on the field, creating the trim trail with the traversing wall. We also subsidise lots school trips and provide funds for much needed school equipment.

We do have a Facebook page to keep you updated of events, please search Marwood School Association and like the page. There's also a helpful Messenger group for parents and carers, please email Charlotte on charlottesedgley@gmail.com if you would like to be added.

Cookie Day

Every half term the MSA hold a cookie day where volunteers either bake or bring in biscuits, cakes or cookies for the children to buy. The children pay 40p and can choose an item during fruit snack break. A cookie day pass can be purchased for the year for £2 (5 cookie days), to avoid the last minute search for cash (see form at the bottom).

To make this happen please could any bakers or helpers wishing to be part of the cookie day team email Rowenna on rowennahobbs@hotmail.com Simply put you would need to supply 24 biscuits or cakes once per term for the children to buy.

Upcoming Events

Fri 22 nd October – Councillors)	Halloween inspired non-uniform day (Minimum donation 50p, funds raised to go to School Cookie Day
Fri 19 th November – Children in Need	Cookie Day (Monies go to charity, so this isn't included in cookie day pass)
Fri 10 th December – Children's Christmas Fair	

Due to Covid this year unfortunately we won't be able to hold our traditional Christmas Fair. Instead we're going to concentrate on holding an event just for the children. We want the children to have a fantastic time, so during our next MSA meeting we'll be putting some ideas together.

We will still be looking to do the Christmas hampers and also the children's Christmas pictures to go on cards, mugs, tea towels, etc.

Year Representatives

We're looking for volunteers to help the MSA by just helping one particular year group. This role involves being the point of contact for any MSA queries. This will help our events run more smoothly and keep everyone informed. Please contact Sophie on lerwillfamily@googlemail.com

Cookie Day Pass

Name's

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Class.....

Total Amount £.....

Please place form and money (cash or cheque) into an envelope and address to the MSA. This can be given to the class teachers



OCTOBER HALF TERM 2021

FANTASTIC FOOTBALL TRICKS AND TREATS FOR ALL

It's a total football frenzy this half term – offering skills, thrills, tournaments and training techniques from top Exeter City Community Trust coaches.

Sign up for Midfielder Mondays, Match Mania and Goalkeepers and Strikers! And put on your spookiest fancy dress for our amazing Halloween-themed Tournament Celebration day - there will prizes for the creepiest costumes!

MONDAY 25TH OCTOBER – FRIDAY 29TH OCTOBER 2021

The perfect holiday activity for boys and girls aged from 5 to 14.

www.exetercct.org/holidayclubs



Coaches from Exeter City Academy will be talent spotting at our clubs!

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LOCATIONS:

9.30AM - 3.30PM	EXETER – EXWICK SPORTS HUB, EX4 2BQ
9.30AM - 3.30PM	EXMOUTH – EXMOUTH TENNIS AND FITNESS CENTRE, EX8 3AE
10AM - 3PM	BARNSTAPLE – PARK SCHOOL, EX32 9AX
10AM - 3PM	ILFRACOMBE – ILFRACOMBE ACADEMY, EX34 9JB

Sign up today for Junior Grecians - the junior supporters club of Exeter City FC.

Exclusive events, meet the players, fun activities all year round - and 10% off all your Exeter City Community Trust holiday clubs, plus so much more.



www.exetercct.org/junior-grecians

DON'T FORGET



LET'S HAVE A PHOTOGRAPH TAKEN
CHECK THE WEATHER
WEAR YOUR KIT
RECYCLE YOUR WASTE
HAVE FUN!

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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 6th June. I will let you know once it has been agreed.

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	
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key:	days within Devon's school terms					days outside Devon's school terms					Bank Holidays and weekends				