

Marwood Primary School Newsletter

11/02/2022

Dear Parent / Carer

Marwood School Association – There are exciting events coming up, starting with 'Break the Rules and Cookie Day' on Friday 18th Feb. Please see the MSA posters on pages 5 & 6. I have spoken with the children about the unbreakable rules (Health and Safety and Respect) at school and children can earn themselves some sweets if they can tell me an inventive way of breaking them next Friday – without actually doing it!

Covid Secure Measures – Case numbers in North Devon remain high; staff and children at school will continue to be Covid secure next week. It is likely there may be a change after half term and I will keep you updated on any changes to school measures.

Geography Sponsored Challenge – Please help your child to learn their geography locations on the map for their challenge on 4th March.

Meal Time Assistant Vacancy 1 ½ hours– Monday to Friday to start Tuesday 1st March. This role is vital to help children enjoy a break in the middle of the day and give classroom staff time to prepare. Please see page three for details and pass the information to anyone you think would be interested.

Online Safety – please see the poster on page four for an important session for parents led by, eSafety Training – the 2 Johns. Wednesday 16th February 8:00 – 9:30 pm, details of how to join have been sent to families via email.

Sports – Year 1 and 2 Multi-skills Thursday 10th Feb – the children had a great time taking part in 10 different sporting activities – their efforts and behaviour were amazing.

Parent Support – Please see posters on pages 7 & 8 offering support activities for parents and carers.

Football Club Tuesday 15th February – open to all ages this week – two coaches available.

Badminton Club Wednesday 16th February Cancelled – I am attending a meeting in Exeter and will not be back to run the 3:00pm club, sorry.

Diary Dates:










Half-Term closure Mon 21st February to Mon 28th February – Children back to school Tues 1st March

Pancake races on playground Tuesday 1st March 2:40pm – Parents opportunity to come on site and watch!

Advance notice of Marwood School Sports Day – Tuesday 21st June 1:15pm.

Kind regards


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After School Clubs Spring 2022 3:00 – 4:00 pm			
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
Tennis Devonshire Tennis Academy KS1 and KS2 3:00 – 4:00pm	Football Exeter Soccer Schools KS1 and KS2 3:00 – 4:00pm	Badminton Cancelled 16th Feb Next session Wed 2 nd March Class 4 children 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.

School week beginning Monday 14/02/2022					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
OPTION 1	Macaroni Cheese Mixed Vegetables Mrs Rowe's Valentines' Dessert	Turkey Curry with Naan Bread Peas	Roast Gammon Steaks Roast Potatoes, Farmhouse Vegetables and Gravy	Beef Burgers Diced Potatoes and Beans	Choose at the counter Fish and Chips or Sausage Roll and chips Peas
OPTION 2		Quorn Curry with Naan Bread Peas	Vegetable Puff Roast Potatoes, Farmhouse Vegetables and Gravy	Plant Burgers Diced Potatoes and Beans	Vegetarian Sausage Rolls and Chips Peas
OPTION 3	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	Jacket Potato Beans and Cheese	X

Thank you for ensuring all your children's clothes have their name in, it really helps them take responsibility for their things.

Required from 1st March - Meal Time Assistant(s) Monday to Friday

Marwood School has opportunities for new Meal Time Assistants (MTAs). We are looking for caring people who can interact with the children and undertake the responsibility of supervising and ensuring the safety of the children at lunchtimes. The timing is one hour a day, 12:00 – 1:00. An extra half hour is also available to take on a Covid secure cleaning role 11:30-12:00.

Days available are Monday to Friday (One person could work 5 days or 5 people could work one day each; or other combinations.)

The main duties are:

- To assist with the well-being of pupils during lunchtime;
- To support the supervision of children during lunch and play, using your initiative to ensure caring quality provision is continuously made;
- To co-ordinate play for pupils;
- To clean down and pack away the tables and benches.

Experience of working with children is not essential, just the passion to help improve the life chances of children within a school environment whilst being prepared to work inside and outside (in all weathers.)

Marwood is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. A DBS disclosure is required for this post as is induction to the school's procedures.

To apply please contact the school office 01271 850395 or email admin@marwood.devon.sch.uk.

February Half Term Tennis Camps



Develop your child's tennis whilst having fun, making friends & playing games.

Our dedicated, passionate & engaging coaches welcome all ages & abilities in great locations.

Junior Camp

5 - 14 yr olds | 10am - 1pm | £20 per day*

Tiny Tots Camp

3 - 4 yr olds | 10 - 11am | £6 per day|

**For every full day purchased on our Junior Camp, bring a friend or sibling for free to either the Tiny Tots or the Junior Camp!*

Half Term Dates

Braunton - Mon 21st, Tues 22nd & Wednesday 23rd February

Barnstaple - Monday 21st – Friday 25th February

Locations

Barnstaple Park Lane Tennis Club, Rock Park, EX32 9AH

Braunton Braunton Tennis Club, Wrafton Road, EX33 2BP



To book email: bookings@devonshiretennisacademy.com

Do you know that **Minecraft, Roblox and Fortnite** are not as safe as you might think?
Do you know by restricting the 'chat' in games, this does not stop your child talking to other people?

Do you know that Essex Police have worked on cases of **paedophiles** grooming groups of children on these games?

Do you know how **gang culture** and **radicalisation** online affects your child?

Do you know what affect **COVID-19** Lockdown has had on your child?

Do you know what **media sources** your child forms their opinions from?

Do you know that **self-generated images** are now common among children in Years 5 and 6 across the country?

Do you know how to keep your child safe and show them the wonders of our digital world?



'The 2 Johns' will open your eyes to a world we, as adults, didn't grow up in.
Your child is growing up within and into this digital age.

Please save the date to attend this crucial parent support event.

No childcare required – it's after bedtime story time!

8 p.m. – 9.30 p.m. on 16th February 2022

You will receive details of how to access the event nearer the time.

This is a parent event and children should not be watching.

IT'S BACK... THE MSA BREAK THE RULES DAY!



FRIDAY 18TH FEB



BROKEN RULES ALLOWED:

1. CALL TEACHERS BY FIRST NAME
2. CRAZY HAIR
3. NAIL VARNISH
4. PYJAMAS/FANCY DRESS
5. CHOCOLATE SNACK (NO NUTS)
6. SQUASH IN WATER BOTTLE
7. BRING IN A CUDDLY TOY
8. TEMPORARY TATTOO



50P PER
RULE BREAK!

PIC•COLLAGE



MSA DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



- Break the rules day - 18th Feb
- Movie night - 4th March
- School disco- 1st April
- Easter bonnet comp- 7th April
- Jubilee picnic on the field - May 20th
- Bingo - 24th June
- School camping & BBQ - 8th July

Cookie days



18th Feb

1st April

27th May

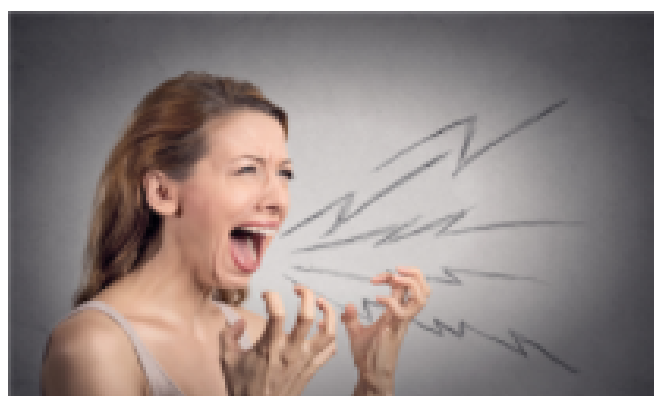
15th July

Comic Relief - 18th March

A free workshop for parents and carers looking at turning tantrums into calm connections



How to Respond and not React



**Do you ever feel you are about to explode?
That your child might too?
We can help turn tantrums into calm connections**

Presented by Advisory Teacher, Linda Willmott and Family Worker, Jeff Cornish from the Social, Emotional and Mental Health Team

A free, informal workshop for parents and carers of Devon Primary School age children

This event will be held virtually on Tuesday 22nd March 2022 at 10am - 11.30am

There are times when we all feel overwhelmed with our emotions. Children feel like this too. In this workshop, we will explore why your child behaves in the way that they do; how you can respond to help them calm and how to re-connect to strengthen your relationship with them. We will also offer some specific de-stressing techniques that both you and your child can start using straight away.

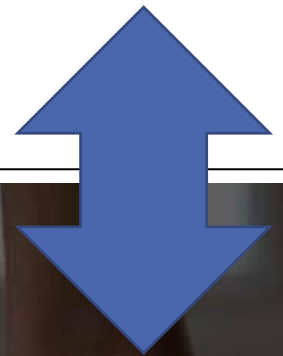
We are joined by a parent who will share his own experiences of family life and the transformational impact it had on his family when he changed his approach as a parent.

Come and join us to find out how you can help build a healthier relationship with your child and develop a sense of inner calm.

To book your free place, please email Sue Vanstone
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**NEW SUPPORT SESSIONS
FOR CHILDREN AND ADULTS
WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS**

**WEDNESDAY MORNINGS:
10.00-11:00AM**

**TARKA TENNIS CENTRE,
BARNSTAPLE**

CLASS £6.00 PER PERSON

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WITH A CIRCUIT