

Marwood Primary School Newsletter

18/02/2022

Dear Parent / Carer

School closure Friday 18th February – Storm Eunice and Red Weather Warning – Staff, governors and I followed the guidance from Devon County Council (issued Thursday afternoon) to close the school today. I hope everyone remains safe and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Tuesday 1st March. Monday 28th February is a planned non-pupil day.

Marwood School Association – Many children were disappointed to be missing the Break the Rules Day planned for today. The MSA, staff and school council hope to be able to hold it on Friday 11th March. Please look for an update in the first week back and see the MSA poster on page 4. The next MSA event is the film night on 4th March.

Covid Secure Measures – It is expected that changes to the Covid regulations will be announced next week.

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

World Book Day – Thursday 3rd March – Children invited to come to school dressed as a book character, bringing a copy of the book they are in (if possible.) Children will be invited to share part of their book during the day. They will also receive their World Book Day token.

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 – I hope that many parents were able to view Wednesday's presentation. I am waiting for details of the recording and will pass the link on as soon as it is available.

Parent Support – Please see posters on pages 5 & 6 offering support activities for parents and carers.










Diary Dates:

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

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 Next session 7 th March Devonshire Tennis Academy KS1 and KS2 3:00 – 4:00pm	Football Exeter Soccer Schools KS1 and KS2 3:00 – 4:00pm	Badminton Mr Dobson 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 Tuesday 01/03/2022					
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
OPTION 1		Meatballs in Tomato Sauce Pasta and Peas	Roast Pork Loin Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Broccoli	Lasagne Peas	Fish and Chips Beans
OPTION 2		Vegetable Pasta Bake Peas	Vegetable Roast Roast Potatoes, Carrots and Broccoli	Vegetable Lasagne Peas	Quorn Sausage and Chips Peas
OPTION 3		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

MSA DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

New date – Friday
11th March

To be confirmed

- Break the rules day -
- 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

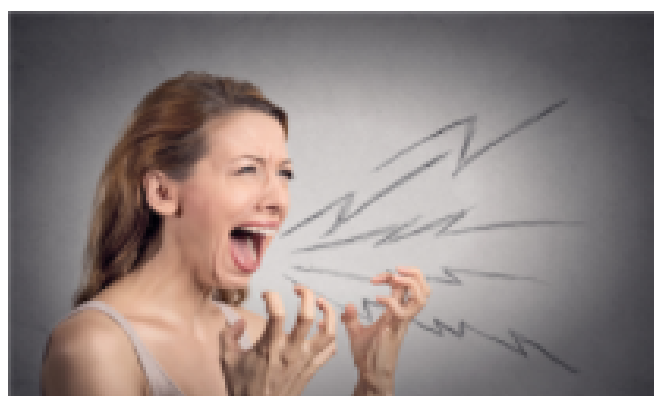
15th July

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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