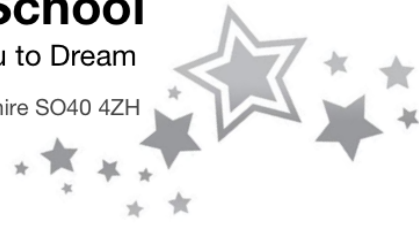




Marchwood Junior School

Our Learning Family that Inspires you to Dream

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22nd May 2026

Dear Parent

A huge thank you to all of our Year 3 and Year 4 parents who attended ACE time this week. It was wonderful to see so many of you joining in with your children to complete a reading treasure hunt around school and create a fantastic front cover for a mystery text. Your support and enthusiasm made the sessions so special, and it was lovely to see everyone enjoying reading together.

What's on next week?

Monday -
Wednesday

Y6 Bikeability

- If your child attends a before school club, they can bring their bike through the main entrance and will be directed to the playground where their bike will be stored.
- The children's gate will be open from 8.30. Children will then be directed to where their bike will be stored.
- Children should bring helmets if they own one.
- Children should arrive in school uniform but should bring a change of clothes based on the weather forecast (e.g. warm and waterproof)
- Bikes will go home at the end of each day unless it has been otherwise prearranged. Only children that do not live in the village have the option of leaving their bike on the school playground overnight. It is advised that these children bring a lock for their bike for overnight storage.

Tuesday

School Photos

Be Active Week

This week, we have been enjoying our Be Active Week as part of the Five Ways of Wellbeing from Back to Basics. Pupils have embraced the mental health benefits of being physically active by completing laps of our 200m track, and they have been inspired by the sense of collective achievement. Each day, it has been fantastic to see large groups of children walking and running together, chatting, laughing and connecting with friends. In just four days, they have completed a staggering 4,580 laps, covering the equivalent distance to the border of Italy - a truly remarkable effort by everyone involved.



Lunchbox Choices

There is growing evidence that what children eat can have a real impact on how they feel, focus, and learn during the school day. Healthy, balanced lunches help children maintain energy levels, concentrate in lessons, and be ready to do their best.

Recently, we have noticed a change in the contents of some lunchboxes, with more ultra-processed snacks and foods that are often high in sugar and salt. We know busy mornings can make lunchbox choices tricky. However, small changes — such as adding fruit, yoghurt, sandwiches, pasta, cheese, or savoury snacks alongside water — can make a big difference in helping children stay focused, happy, and ready to learn.

If you would like to find out more about healthy lunchbox ideas and children's nutrition and learning, please see the NHS guidance.

https://www.nhs.uk/healthier-families/recipes/healthier-lunchboxes/?utm_source=chatgpt.com

Thank you for your continued support in helping us build healthy habits for life.

Y6 Lepe Trip

After a busy week, Year 6 enjoyed taking their learning beyond the classroom with a trip to Lepe Beach, supported by enthusiastic geography students from Noadswood. The children explored the importance of the local coastline, identified evidence of erosion and discussed coastal management strategies. They made field sketches, collected data and took part in a thoughtful debate about how Lepe could be protected in the future. A fantastic example of geography in action - well done, Year 6!



Y3 Rivers Trip

On Thursday, Year 3 set off on their own exciting geography adventure to Buckler's Hard and King's Hat to investigate the Beaulieu River! As part of their topic, the children measured the river's flow, depth and width, observed its many uses and searched for signs of erosion at both locations. They compared their findings carefully and recorded their discoveries like true geographers. The children were brilliantly behaved throughout, and everyone enjoyed a fantastic day exploring the beautiful New Forest.



Lunchtime Enrichment

Monday 1 st June	Colouring
Tuesday 2 nd June	Loom Bands
Wednesday 3 rd June	Den Building
Thursday 4 th June	Board Games
Friday 5 th June	Playground Games

Best wishes.
Mr Hoskins
Headteacher

Year/Whole School	Date	Event
Whole School	Tues 2 nd June	School Photos
Year 4	Wed 10 th June	Y4 Multiplication Tables Check
Year 2	Mon 15 th June	Year 2 Induction evening
Whole School	Fri 19 th June	PTFA Fathers' Day Shop
Year 5	Mon 22 nd June	Y5 Arts Day @Noadswood
Year 2-5	Thurs 25 th June	Buddy Afternoon
Whole School	Thurs 25 th June	PTFA Disco
Whole School	Wed 1 st July	Cuppa and Chat
Whole School	Fri 3 rd July	Transition Day
Year 3&4	Tues 7 th July	Y3/4 Sports Morning
Year 5&6	Wed 8 th July	Y5/6 Sports Morning
Year 6	Thurs 9 th July	Y6 Survival Day
Whole School	Thurs 9 th July	School Reports
Whole School	Fri 10 th July	Love of Animals Day
Year 6	Wed 15 th July	Y6 Performance (1.30pm)
Year 6	Wed 22 nd July	Y6 Leavers Festival

INSET Days 2025-2026

- o Friday 26th June 2026



Dibden Purlieu, Hythe & District
Horticulture & Craft Show
 Saturday 25th July 2026



Online Entry Form



Show schedule

Children's Activities

Plant Sales

Craft Stalls

Tea, Coffee & cake

Open to the Public - 1.00pm to 3.30pm

St. Andrews Church, Dibden Purlieu, SO45 4PT.

Adult Entry £1.00

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2026 Children's Classes

121	Art	A Birthday Card	
122	Baking	5 Chocolate chip cookies	
123	Craft	Miniature garden	
124	Gardening	Rainbow Chard - see instructions below	
125	Photography 1	My Pet	
126	Photography 2	My favourite Place	

Select the class(es) you want to enter by ticking the box(es).

Add up the entry fee (50p per class) and place in an envelope, along with your entry form, and hand it to reception at school.

You can also enter on-line using the QR code on the front.

Last date for entry is Wednesday 22nd July 2026

and

all paper entries must be in the hall before 10.00am

Class 124 Gardening: Rainbow Chard**

Rainbow Chard is a vibrant, leafy vegetable, with colourful stalks, and dark green leaves.

Sow the seeds 1-2cm deep in (March-July), 30-40cm apart.

Keep soil moist, and thin seedlings to 30cm.

On show day, select a range of coloured stems, and present a bunch of 10-12 stems, tied with string.



Class 125 and 126 Photography:

Photographs are to be mounted on card, giving any title/description (but not the exhibitor's name)

Maximum size of photograph 5 by 7 inches.

Only one photograph per exhibitor can be entered for each class.

Please restrict card mounts to maximum size of 6 by 8 inches.

Children may enter other classes as well as the children's classes, but their age will not be made known to the judge and they will be judged equally with other exhibitors.

** Seeds are available in local garden centres, hardware shops and on-line

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