



Marchwood Junior School

Our Learning Family that Inspires you to Dream

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Dear Parent

On Monday 19th October we will be holding our Harvest Assembly. As part of this, we ask that you donate long life food items to Southampton City Mission's Basics Bank project. All of the food you give us goes to ordinary families and individuals in need in Southampton. Anyone can have a sudden crisis that leaves them in need of a helping hand to get back on their feet.

All we ask is that children bring their food items into school by Friday 23rd October and place them on the tables in reception. Thank you for your support.

What's on next week?	
Tuesday	Y3 ACE time (2.15pm)
Wednesday	Y5 ACE time (2.30pm)
	PTFA AGM (5.30pm)
Thursday	Y6 ACE time (2.30pm)

Walktober 2026

As we head into autumn, it's important to stay active and spend time outdoors whenever possible. To encourage this, Hampshire County Council's Travel Planning Team is inviting schools to take part in Walktober 2026 as part of International Walk to School Month. Walktober encourages pupils, families and staff to choose active and sustainable travel throughout October. We hope as many of our pupils, families and staff as possible will take part by walking, cycling, scooting or using Park and Stride for journeys to and from school and for other journeys too.

As part of Walktober 2026, Hampshire County Council are inviting pupils and families to share their top tips for active and sustainable travel. Tell them about your journeys and share practical ideas to inspire others to walk, wheel, cycle, scoot, use Park and Stride or travel by public transport more often. Your journeys could include travelling to or from school or work, a journey made using public transport, or an active trip taken in your leisure time.

Your *Top Tips, More Trips* entry can be in any format, such as a report, poem, rap, photo collage, presentation, blog, podcast or diary. Be as creative as you like!

For more details, visit myjourneyhampshire.com/walktober. The competition closes on Friday 13 November 2026.

Firework Marshals

We would love to invite parent volunteers to help marshal our Fireworks Evening on Wednesday 4th November. To help keep everyone safe and ensure the evening runs smoothly, volunteers would need to be on the school site from 4.30pm for a short safety briefing, until approximately 7.30pm. This is always a wonderful evening for our school community, and we really could not make it happen without your support. Food and a drink will be provided for all volunteers. If you may be able to help, we would be so grateful if you could please email dhoskins@marchwoodjun.co.uk



Lunchtime Enrichment

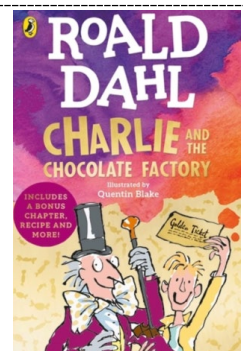
Monday 19 th October	Paper Plate Ghosts
Tuesday 20 th October	Paper Pumpkins
Wednesday 21 st October	Cotton Bud Skeleton Pictures
Thursday 22 nd October	Masking Tape Mummies
Friday 23 rd October	Mummy Wrapping Races

JLT Book Recommendation

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is a delightful story about five lucky children who win the chance to visit Mr Willy Wonka's amazing chocolate factory. Inside, they discover all the secrets of his magical workshop, making it a truly exciting and imaginative adventure.

Rupert





Flu vaccination

Did your child miss the flu vaccination last month? Submitting a consent form now will allow you to book an appointment at a local community clinic. For contact details and further information about the School Aged Immunisation Service and the vaccination programmes offered, please visit: <https://www.healthforkids.co.uk/hampshire/collections/school-age-immunisation-service/>

Best wishes.

Mr Hoskins
Headteacher

Year/Whole School	Date	Event
Year 3	Tues 20 th Oct	Y3 ACE time (2.15pm)
Year 5	Wed 21 st Oct	Y5 ACE time (2.30pm)
Whole School	Wed 21 st Oct	PTFA AGM
Year 6	Thurs 22 nd Oct	Y6 ACE time (2.30pm)
Whole School	Tues 3 rd Nov	Y2 Open Morning
Whole School	Wed 4 th Nov	PTFA Fireworks Evening
Whole School	Fri 13 th Nov	Children in Need
Whole School	Mon 16 th Nov	Odd Socks Day
Whole School	Thurs 26 th Nov	PTFA Disco
Whole School	Fri 4 th Dec	Donation Day (non-school uniform)
Year 3 & 4	Tues 8 th & Wed 9 th Dec	Y3/4 Christmas Performance
Year 5 & 6	Thurs 10 th & Fri 11 th Dec	Y5/6 Christmas Performance
Year 4	Mon 14 th Dec	Y4 ACE Time (2.15pm)
Whole School	Tues 15 th Dec	Love of Christmas Day
Year 3 & 4	Wed 16 th Dec	Y3/4 Christmas Dinner
Year 5 & 6	Thurs 17 th Dec	Y5/6 Christmas Dinner
Whole School	Fri 18 th Dec	PTFA Christmas Shop

INSET Days 2026-2027

- Friday 27th November
- Thursday 25th March
- Friday 25th June



University of
Southampton

Explore human experience

Arts and Humanities Day

Saturday 14th November 2026

10:30 – 16:30, Southampton Cultural Quarter

Free activities, workshops, talks, exhibitions,
and live performances.



Book your tickets

www.southamptonartshumfest.co.uk



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