

Marwood Church of England VC Infant School

Newsletter 5th December 2025

01642 722389

admin@marwood.n-yorks.sch.uk

www.marwoodschoo.org

<https://www.facebook.com/MarwoodSchool/>

Head teacher: Mrs Dorothy Walton



Our Collective Worship Theme this week has been:

Advent Festivals

Our Collective Worship Theme for next week will be:

Festivals of Light

Nativity



A huge well done to all the children, staff and helpers that have made this week's nativity performances such a success.

As you can imagine, an infant performance like this is a team effort and there are lots of people to thank. We are very grateful to our hardworking staff for the many hours

of work involved and to all the volunteers who supported children with costumes, lines, acting and instrumental parts. Thanks to the Bradley School of Dance for the scenery and stage set up and our wonderful PTFA for organising the Wish Tree and Raffle. Special thanks to Mrs Hutchinson for organising all of the costumes and Mrs Winterschluden for accompanying the children on the piano.

Finally thank you to all who supported our fundraising efforts and families and friends for coming to watch "The Very Hopeless Camel", so amazing to have such a full hall for both performances. We hope we shared a bit of Christmas magic with you.

We would love to hear your comments

Please use this form to send us them ['Very Hopeless Camel' - Fill in form](#)

Here are some of the lovely comments we've already received:

- Both performances of a Very Hopeless Camel were wonderful! Well done Marwood - you should be very proud! The children and staff have clearly worked so hard learning all the lines and songs, it was a joy to watch along with the support the children give each other, to keep going and try their best! Thankyou Marwood for an amazing nativity, you all deserve to be on the happy cloud!!! 😊
- It was wonderful to see the children showing their skills and supporting each other whilst celebrating a wonderful time of year. Behaviour was

Established 1853

Happy Friends, Learning Together for over 150 years
'Love your neighbour as yourself' Matthew 22v39

impeccable, thank you for a wonderful performance it showed the true meaning of the nativity.

- The nativity was wonderful. There were plenty of parts for all of the children. It was very well supported by lots of people for both shows. The show was age appropriate with fantastic songs and it was lovely to have the pianist playing for the children. Thank you for all your efforts it was very special.
- A wonderful production - set the scene beautifully for the Christmas season. Lovely to have all the children given a chance to take part!
- Many thanks to teachers and staff for their exceptional efforts and hard work, bringing the Christmas spirit to all.



**Congratulations and Well Done to our 'Children of the Week'
Golden Ribbons Awarded to:**



Year Two	Kobi
Year One	Charlotte
Reception	Elsie

Class News

Year Two

- We are so proud of our Narrators who performed their lines perfectly this week and supported each other as they performed
- Well done to Year 2 for a deep-thinking week about creation stories, both religious and non-religious. We pondered over the things that puzzle us the most and fill us with awe and wonder in our world.
- We had a fantastic DT day on Friday, making a Tudor House from 1666, complete with moving parts!

Year One

- A huge well done to year 1s for a fantastic performance, you worked so hard learning your lines and Mrs Spenceley is very proud of you all.
- This week year 1s have started learning about 3D shapes. Please can you practise spotting and naming these at home (cube, cuboid, sphere, cylinder, square-based pyramid, triangular-based pyramid, hemisphere, triangular prism).
- Please practice previously learnt spellings in preparation for the 'big' spelling test on Monday.
- Please note that year 1 have filled their marble jar so have voted on a pyjama party treat. Please bring sensible pyjamas (and optional slippers) and a small teddy in a named bag next Thursday (11th Dec) for our treat in the afternoon.

Reception

- Reception have enjoyed using the 'Rainbow Fish' story to talk about friendship and sharing this week and have been making some beautiful fish of their own.
- Well done to all children for their fantastic performances in our nativities this week.
- Reception will NOT need their PE kits on Friday 12th December.

Teatowels

Unfortunately, we've been unable to offer a teatowel with all the children's self-portrait drawings on it for Christmas this year as the supplier went into administration a couple of weeks ago. We are planning to design one in time for Easter if there is sufficient interest. There is no commitment to buy at this point but please could you complete the poll below so we can gauge interest.

Thanks [Tea Towels - Fill in form](#)

Library Books

We are collecting library books back in, new books will be sent home again in January.



Marwood C.E. Infant
School



Christmas



Forest School!

Parents and carers of pre-school children

Where: Manor House, Low Green,
Great Ayton. TS9 6PT

When: Wednesday 17th December
10am - 11am

Please come and join us for a fun, Christmas Forest School Session with a campfire and Christmas activities.

Suitable outdoor clothing and footwear required.

Children are to be supervised by their own adult.

Please contact school to book a place

(telephone 01642 722389 or email
admin@marwood.n-yorks.sch.uk)




We can't wait to see you!



Established 1853

Happy Friends, Learning Together for over 150 years
'Love your neighbour as yourself' Matthew 22v39

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 9 th December	Whole School Theatre Trip
Thursday 11 th December 	School Christmas Lunch Children may come to school with a Christmas jumper on today if they wish to.
Friday 12 th December 	Elf Day - If they wish, children may come to school in Elf costumes today for a special day of elf activities! Reception Class will NOT need their PE kits today. Sponsored Rudolph Run in aid of Teesside Hospice - children will run a 'Marwood Mile' https://www.justgiving.com/page/marwood-infant-school-14?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL
W.B. 15TH December	NO CHOIR OR STORY CLUB THIS WEEK
Monday 15 th December 	Christmas Bedtime Stories 5.30 - 6.30pm Please book a place for your child on the following link PTFA Bedtime Stories 2025 - Fill in form
Wednesday 17 th December	Pre-School Forest School Session Please see poster below for more information. School party on the afternoon - all children to be collected at 3.25pm from Christ Church Hall. Children are welcome to bring party clothes in a named bag.
Thursday 18 th December	Whole School Forest School Sessions Children should come in trousers/leggings with their usual school uniform top on and a waterproof coat. Please could wellies come in a named carrier bag (with waterproof trousers if needed - depending on the weather!).
Friday 19 th December	Christmas Carol Service (joint with Roseberry Academy), 10am in Christ Church. ALL are welcome to join us. Break up for Christmas - NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB AVAILABLE TODAY
Tuesday 6 th January 2026	Children return to school