

Marwood Church of England VC Infant School

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Our Collective Worship Theme this week has been:

Festivals of Light

Our Collective Worship Theme for next week will be:

Christmas

Sponsored Rudolph Run in aid of Teesside Hospice



Children have run a 'Marwood Mile'. Many thanks for your generosity, if anyone else would still like to donate, the justgiving page will remain open until the end of term.

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/marwood-infant-school-14>



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



Year Two	Lily J
Year One	Bella
Reception	Eloise

Class News

If there are any nativity costumes still to be returned to school, please could they come in on Monday. Thank you.

Year Two

- Well done to Year 2 for a fun and festive week. We brought Christmas cheer at community lunch customers with our cheerful singing!
- The 'Town Called Christmas' performance at the Arc was magical and Year 2 were lucky enough to be at the front.
- If you have any spare newspapers, please could you send them in next week in readiness for our Christmas Party on Wednesday. Thanks.

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

Year One

- Year 1 have had a very busy week, starting with the theatre on Tuesday, class treat on Thursday along with Christmas jumper day and then Elf Day today!
- Please could children work on identifying 2D shapes around the home - eg circles (coasters?), rectangles (cards or paper), triangles (slices of pizza or cake?) and see how many they can spot.

Reception

- Children have enjoyed a week packed with Christmas activities including our theatre trip, making our cards, baby Jesus in a biscuit stable and independently exploring some christmas art activities including stamps and watercolours.
- Everyone will have their child's phonic assessment results for this half term written in their red books (or a note if the red book wasn't in) The pass mark each half term is 80%. If your child scored below that we will be doing some extra work with them in order to help them boost that score. Please continue to read the reading books that are sent home as they are carefully matched to your child each week.
- Next week there are lots of exciting events planned, please refer to the sheet in book bags to help you remember what is when!
- Reception will NOT need their PE kits on Friday 19th December due to the Carol Service.

Nativity Thanks

Many thanks for the wonderful comments about the Nativity - if you haven't had chance to send your comments in, there is still time - ['Very Hopeless Camel' - Fill in form](#). Here are some more of the comments we've received over the past week.

- ❄ The nativity was wonderful, the children looked amazing and they put on such a memorable performance, it was very special. Huge thanks to the team at Marwood, who had clearly worked really hard with the children.
- ❄ What a lovely nativity! I felt so proud of all the children for working so hard in the play. I loved how the nativity included everybody, and they all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. I expected nothing less from this wonderful school.
- ❄ What fantastic performances by all the children at Marwood. Thoroughly enjoyed both performances of a heartwarming nativity story which showcased the talents of all the children. The staff at the school have obviously worked so hard to support the children in learning their lines, practicing songs and being in the correct positions on stage. The perfect way to kick off the festive season and sprinkle a little joy with the greatest ever story. A very big well done to all involved. Lovely to see a packed hall of family and friends supporting the youngsters. A true highlight of the year. Can't wait for next year.

- * We just wanted to let you know how much we enjoyed the Nativity on Thursday evening. The children were excellent and a great credit to the school. These things only take place due to the hard work of all the staff so thank you very much for the effort, patience and time that must have been given to the children.

Teatowels

Thank you for your responses, we'll go ahead and get those organised and let you know details in the New Year.

Library Books

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

Dates for Your Diary	
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 - children to be collected at 3.25pm from school . Children are welcome to bring party clothes in a named bag but please be aware that some games will take place outside so clothing should be appropriate for the weather.
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



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!

