

Marwood Church of England VC Infant School

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Our Collective Worship Theme this week has been:

Values for Life: Courage

Our Collective Worship Theme this week next week will be:

Celebrating Diversity



Congratulations and Well Done to our 'Children of the Week':



Year Two	Lily J
Year One	Hollie
Reception	Margaux

Class News

Year One and Year Two

**Please remember that the children will be going swimming on
Tuesday 16th June**

Year Two

- Well done to Year 2 for a productive week of learning. We have worked diligently on our Spider Plant fact files and have enjoyed researching some truly surprising facts! Next week we will set up some investigations using our classroom spiderettes.
- We had some lovely parent comments in our reading records this week. It was lovely to read about children reading to a variety of audiences, reading in different places and utilising time well to fit in that daily read - well done!

Year One

- Year 1 have worked really hard this week and completed their Phonic Screening Check. We're all really proud of them. Thank you for all your support, helping your budding reader to blossom!
- This week Year 1 have made some lovely observational drawings of flowers. They have studied halves and quarters in maths and have learnt about animals from the African Savannah and have been inspired by David Attenborough.

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

Reception

- This week we have added cylinder and pyramid into our 3D shape knowledge. Please can all children find one or more everyday 3D item from the shapes we have been learning (cone, cube, cuboid, sphere, cylinder and pyramid) and bring it in on Monday as we will be finding out about 3D shapes in everyday life.
- The children are really enjoying creating their egg box continents. As we travel around the world, next week we will be learning about Africa.

Message From National Book Tokens

The annual prize draw is back to give five schools across the UK and Ireland the chance to **win £1,000 in National Book Tokens** to fill their shelves with new and inspiring books.

Please nominate our school using the [form below](#), and if yours is one of the five winning entries, you'll also **win a £100 National Book Token to spend in your favourite bookshop.**

Plus: to celebrate the UK's [National Year of Reading](#), we're giving away even more prizes so that more schools - and more children - have a chance to enhance their libraries and Go All In on reading.

Each week until 24th June, a flash winner is picked - selected at random from all entries - to receive a £100 National Book Token for their school, and £25 for themselves! Keep an eye on emails, and follow on [Facebook](#), to see who wins each week.

Online Safety

WhatsApp for Under 13's

With the exception of YouTube, WhatsApp has always been one of the most popular messaging apps, including for children under 13. This has always been a concern for a lot of different reasons, but Meta have now created a parent-managed service.

Similar to other parent-managed accounts, a parent will pair their device/account to the child's device/account which then gives a lot of flexibility such as:

- No 'view once' messages.
- No location sharing.
- Messages and group invites from unknown contacts sent to the parent for approval.
- Parent notifications, such as new contact added.

Link: [WhatsApp parent-managed accounts - explained.](#)

Link: [How to set up a parent-managed account.](#)

Dates for Your Diary

Saturday 13 th June	Great Ayton Village Fete 1pm-4pm Please come and say hello!
Tuesday 16 th June	<p>Year 1 and 2 Swimming Sessions Please send your child into school with their costumes on under their uniforms to maximise their swimming time. Long hair needs to be tied back please and no earrings to be worn. If your child has goggles, please send them with them. They will need a towel and their pants in a separate waterproof bag. No toiletries are required as there is only limited time for showers.</p> <p>Stay and Play 3.45-4.45pm for pre-school children</p>
Friday 26 th June	<p>Reception Class Trip to Kirkleatham Owl Centre Please could Reception come in suitable clothing with their school jumper, trainers and a waterproof. Children will need a packed lunch (no chocolate, fizzy drinks or nuts please) and they'll also need their water bottle. If your child suffers from travel sickness, please let school know.</p>
Sunday 28 th June	<p>PTFA Walk to Captain Cook's Monument, 2pm Tickets are £2.50/person and include a scone with butter and jam. We will start from Gribdale car park. This is a lovely social event open to all families and friends of Marwood. You can pay cash or transfer to the PTFA account. Please speak to Jo (Bea's Mum in reception) or Helen (Charlotte's Mum in year 1).</p>
Tuesday 30 th June	Reception Class - National Child Measurement Programme
Thursday 2 nd July	6pm - Meeting for parents with a child starting Reception in September 2026
w.b. 6 th July	<p>Sports Week We will be looking for volunteers to help walk the children to activities, further details to follow nearer the time.</p>
Monday 6 th July	<p>Sports Afternoon All Welcome - further details to follow.</p>
Tuesday 7 th July	<p>Optional Reception Parent Consultations Further details to follow.</p>
Wednesday 8 th July	<p>Optional Year 1 Parent Consultations Further details to follow. Year 2 Transition Day at their Year 3 school Whole school transition morning.</p>

Tuesday 14 th July	Year 2 Parent Consultations Further details to follow.
Thursday 16 th July	Leavers' Service in Christ Church at 10.45am, ALL are welcome. Duck Race - 2pm. <i>School Fair - following the Duck Race</i>
Friday 17 th July	Break up for the summer NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB TODAY
Tuesday 8 th September	Children return to school



YOUR PTFA NEEDS YOU!

As you know the end of term is looming and that means the summer fair is coming up on the **afternoon of Thursday 16th July**, after the annual **duck race**. This is set to be a lovely afternoon for all the children and parents but the PTFA needs some help to put this on

DONATIONS

If you run a business or have a close connection to a business would you be willing to donate a gift or voucher for the summer raffle?
Please could you let me know if you are asking somewhere to ensure we do not approach a company numerous times.

TOMBOLA/ RAFFLE PRIZES

- if you have any unwanted gifts or alcohol, a box will be placed by the school gate nearer the time

CAKES

– on the morning of the fair

PRELOVED ITEMS

- Preloved school uniform
- Preloved books
- Preloved toys
- Preloved items to be dropped off at school F.A.O Frances Maw PTFA

HELP ON THE DAY

Help setting up from 1pm

The following stalls still need manning

- preloved stall
- basket ball hoop game
- sponge the grown up (if we have a willing victim for this)

We are also looking for 1 or 2 floating people to return tokens from the prize stall back to games stalls and move change between stalls as needed/ support busy stalls

If you don't want to cover a stall for the full 90 minutes would you be able to cover any stall for 15-20 minutes to allow that parent to enjoy the fair with their little ones?

If you are unable to help don't worry, please come along and join the fun if you can. Most stalls will be around **50p – £1** so start saving your change now!

OTHER HELP IN THE RUN UP

- Selling raffle tickets (all children will receive 2 books of 5 tickets in their book bags, could money and ticket stubs be returned by the **Monday 13th July**)
- Folding raffle tickets ready for the draw
- Labelling tombola prizes and folding of tickets

If you are able to help in any way please let me know via text/whatsapp on **07743454752** or via email on **marwoodptfa@Gmail.com**

Thank you

Frances Maw (Chair) on behalf of the PTFA