



MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Because these things will change. Taylor Swift

Dear Parents,

Attached to this newsletter are the updated Dates for the Diary 2024-25, with information about events, theme days, activities, school holidays and residential visits for this school year. Please note that Marazion School 2025 residential visits are as follows: **Year 6** children visit **London** and can choose to visit **Oxford** as well; **Year 3** children are hoping to go to **Porthpean** in May; **all Y4 and Y5** children are off to **Camp Kernow** in June and there is a **Year 2 Sleepover** in school in July. Classes also have their Adventure Days (ADs) this half term. Further information about ADs will be emailed out to you from your child's class teacher.

2024 Surf Safe Days (SSDs)

Our 2024 SSDs start tomorrow, Friday 13th September, with Franklin (Y2/3) setting off for the beach. After that, it's Mercury (Y4/5) next Friday 20th September, followed by Mitchell (Y5/6) on Friday 27th September. Further information about these days is sent out from your child's class teacher.

Routes for Remembrance

A reminder that children in Mr Groom's class (Mitchell) have collected pebbles, painted them and are placing the pebbles back on the beach by Red River as part of the poppy art for the *Routes of Remembrance* event, which is next Tuesday 17th September on Marazion beach. This event commemorates the 80th Anniversary of the *Battle of Arnhem*. You are all invited to the event, which starts at 7pm at the Folly Field.

Marazion Uniform Swap Shop

Remember that our Swap Shop is open and fully stocked with uniform, shoes and other bits that may be needed. Please come and have a look. Everything in the Swap Shop is free and the shop is a brilliant way to help save the planet. If you have anything your child has grown out of and would like to donate please bring it to the school office. Also, donations of outgrown wetsuits, dry robes, coats and water bottles are also greatly appreciated for Surf Days.

Crofty Education Trust Consultation

A reminder that a formal consultation period for joining Crofty Education Trust runs until 30th September. Children, staff and governors have already held consultation meetings and Simon Hague, Crofty's Chief Executive Officer (CEO), led a Parents' Consultation Meeting in school on Monday. If you were unable to attend the Parents' Meeting on Monday, or if you have any queries about this process, please talk to Jenny Rainbow or Caroline Peers (Chair of Governors). A letter is attached to this newsletter with some frequently asked questions (FAQs) about the process.

Staffing Update

We have said goodbye to Michaela Pender who is off on a new adventure and to Louise Hammersely (School Counsellor) who worked with us for 7 terms. We would like to thank them both for all their hard work, passion for and commitment to Marazion School and we wish them both lots of luck for the future.

In/Out of School

Marazion School Reading Room (RR): Marazion School's RR is open again from next Monday 16th September. Children can choose to come into school and read for pleasure from 8.30-8.45am every day. **Mitchell** are hosting the RR next week. **School Visits/Events:** Next week Mitchell are putting their pebbles back on the beach and welcoming staff and children from MBA to find out more about secondary school; Mercury have their Surf Safe Day. Remember that further information about school visits is sent out by email from your child's class teacher.

NEW National Attendance Guidance for Schools

Attendance guidance has been updated for schools from 1st September 2024. Attached electronically to this newsletter is information about the law regarding penalty notices and FAQs as well as Marazion School's updated Request for Absence Form. Both of these are available on the school website.

NHS Vaccines - School Nursing Team

Your child's health is top priority so protecting them from serious disease is incredibly important. The NHS offers a free childhood vaccine programme, which safeguards your child from certain illnesses. Vaccines work by causing the body's immune system to remember the specific infection targeted in each vaccine. If your child comes into contact with an infection and they have had their vaccines, their body will recognise that infection and quickly respond to fight off diseases like measles, mumps, rubella, whooping cough and more. England no longer has the levels of population immunity recommended by the World Health Organisation of 95%, and this has led to increased risk for those who are unvaccinated. It means that infections like measles and whooping cough are rising, which can have a huge impact on your child's life. You can contact your GP or health visitor if you have questions about vaccine safety and effectiveness. Although it important that vaccines are given on time for the best protection, if you or your child have missed a vaccine, it is never too late to contact your GP to check if you can catch up. Follow the link below to find out more.

[NHS vaccinations and when to have them - NHS \(www.nhs.uk\)](https://www.nhs.uk)

PE and School Sport

PE Days: For this half term, PE Days for each class are as follows: **Moana** (Year R/1): Thursday; **Franklin:** Year 2 is Monday and Thursday / Year 3 is Monday and Wednesday; **Mercury** (Year 4/5): Tuesday and Wednesday; **Mitchell** (Year 5/6): Wednesday and Friday. **Fixtures and Events:** There are no fixtures/events next week. **Swimming Sessions:** Children in Mitchell class (Y6/5) are swimming this half term from next Wednesday 18th September. Texts go out on Tuesdays to parents/carers as a reminder. **There is a LATER pick up after swimming, which is 4pm from the playing field.** Pupils need swimming kit (black costume or rash vest/trunks - not board shorts) and goggles (if you have them) as well as a £1 contribution towards the cost of the sessions. School provides swimming caps. Thanks. **Gym Sessions:** There are no gym sessions for autumn 1 - gym sessions start after half term. **Optional PE Homework:** For September, we are asking you to decide on your favourite Paralympic sport. The Paralympic Games have now finished - Team GB finished second in the medal table!

Say Thank You to Someone Somehow

We want to say THANK YOU to different people/organisations every week. One class (or the whole school) will choose who/what they want to say thank you to/for. **This week, we clapped thank you for the trees that give us oxygen to breathe, food to eat and homes for the creatures.** We clapped together in Celebration Assembly this morning to support this.

Stars of the Week

In Class: Moana: *Harrison* for being considerate, thoughtful and a fantastic role model. Franklin: *Kyron* for trying his best and having a super positive attitude to learning; Mercury: *Ollie* for a fantastic start to the year with an amazing can-do attitude; Mitchell: *Locyrn* for outstanding attitude to his new class and all the new learning. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: *Lani* for brilliant bravery and skills on the gym apparatus. KS2: *Stephen* for amazing teamwork in handball. **Music:** YR/KS1: *Neva* for brilliant work with music pulse. KS2: *Anya* for awesome cup rhythm.

Good Manners @ Breakfast Club and Lunch Time

We celebrate with children who have displayed fantastic manners at Lunchtime and during Breakfast Club as part of our Monday morning assembly. This week congratulations to *Kaiden* (Breakfast Club), *Freddie, Erika, Mia* and *Noah* (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to *Mason, Alice, Ethan, Mia,* and *Billy* who celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to you all 😊

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 16th September

Wednesday 18th September: Swimming session, Mitchell (Y5/6), pm. **LATER pick up @ 4pm from the playing field.**

Friday 20th September: Mercury (Y4/5) Surf Safe Day