



# MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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The greatest danger is not that our aim is too high and we miss it, but that it is too low and we reach it. **Michelangelo**

Dear Parents,

Marazion School is celebrating World Book Day (WBD) on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March and we are asking children to come to school dressed up as their favourite book character. WBD vouchers are going out tomorrow. Please keep them safe so that you can swap them for a lovely new book. Vouchers are redeemable from today until Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at participating retailers. More details about WBD activities will go out after half term. Have a lovely half term break and we will see you on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 😊

## Staffing Update

Noah Tanner is starting a new adventure after half term and his last day at Marazion School is tomorrow. We would like to thank Noah for his hard work during his time as part of the Marazion School Team and for his brilliant commitment to our PE and School Sport. We wish Noah lots of luck for the future.

## 2025 Residential Visits

**Year 6 Residential Visit:** A reminder that Year 6 children are off to London on their residential visit during the first week back after half term. Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February was the deadline for paying the total cost of the London visit, thank you to those that have paid. **The remaining balances must be paid by tomorrow.** Many thanks. Please speak to Mr Groom, Group Leader, if you have any queries or you require any further information. **Year 3 Residential Visit:** Year 3 children are off to Porthpean after Easter from Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April. The total cost of this visit is £175. **Please note that a £25 deposit must be paid by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February to secure your child's place on this visit.** Thanks. A pupil premium subsidy is available for this visit. Please speak to Tamsyn or Ed in the School Office for more information about the subsidy.

## Spring 2 Marazion Clubs

Noah Tanner leaves Marazion School tomorrow so the planned **multi-skills; football; indoor hockey and dodgeball clubs** will not run for the second half of this term. We hope to have some alternative Marazion Clubs running for some of spring 2. More information will be available after half term. Please also note that the following clubs will also not run during the first week back as some Marazion staff are in London with Year 6: **Rock Band; STEM and Drum Stick Rhythm.**

## Online Safety - Squid Games

It has come to our attention that there are a large number of children of all ages talking about, and playing games linked to, *Squid Game*. Please note that this game is rated 14+/16+ and the series 15+ and it is not suitable for primary aged children. Please be extra vigilant in reviewing your child's/children's history on YouTube and follow the link below to read a full review of the game: <https://www.commonsemmedia.org/tv-reviews/squid-game>

## Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

**Online Parenting Courses - Family Lives.** A reminder that *Family Lives* has produced a series of online parenting courses. If interested, please follow the link below:

<https://www.familylives.org.uk/how-we-can-help/online-parenting-courses>

*Family Lives* also offers a confidential and free\* helpline service for families in England and Wales (previously known as *Parentline*). They can be contacted on **0808 800 2222** for emotional support, information, advice and guidance on any aspect of parenting and family life. Their website is also a rich source of useful support and advice: [Parenting and Family Support | Family Lives](#)

\* Free from landlines and most mobiles.

## In/Out of School

**Marazion School Reading Room (RR):** Marazion School's RR is open. Children can choose to come into school and read for pleasure from 8.30-8.45am every day. **Mercury** are hosting the RR next week. **School Visits/Events:** During the first week back after half term Year 6 are on the London residential.

## PE and School Sport/Clubs

**PE Days: Moana** (Year R/1): Thursday; **Franklin:** Year 2 is Monday and Thursday / Year 3 is Monday and Wednesday; **Mercury** (Year 4/5): Monday and Wednesday; **Mitchell** (Year 5/6): Wednesday and Friday. **Fixtures and Events:** During the first week back, some children in KS2 are taking part in a Cross Country event at Cape Cornwall School. Letters have gone out today. Please see below for date and time. **Swimming Sessions:** Next half term, some Year 3 children and some continuing swimmers in Year 4, 5 and 6 are swimming. The first week back will be a reduced group from Year 3, 4 and 5. A text goes out on Mondays to parents/carers as a reminder. **There is a LATER pick up after swimming, which is 4pm. Please note that we are now asking for children to be picked up from the main playground gate @ 4pm. Thanks.** Children 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:** Children in Franklin (Year 2/3) are going to Penzance Gym on Mondays next half term, starting on the first Monday back, 24<sup>th</sup> February. Children need to wear a t-shirt that has no buttons to the gym. Thanks. **Optional PE Homework:** For February, we are asking you to design a team's sport kit - choose the team; create the kit!

## 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, Franklin want to say thank you to humanitarian workers who work before, during, and after emergencies, trying to reach children and families with lifesaving aid and long-term assistance.** We clapped together in Celebration Assembly this morning to support this.

## Certificate Awards

Children are awarded merits for demonstrating a fantastic attitude to their work, friends, adults and the environment. Children who have earned 20 merit certificates: **Nolan, Chloe** and **Theo**. Children who have earned 40 merit certificates: **Florence C** and **Ethan**. Children who have earned 80 merit certificates: **Ilaria** and **Imogen**.

## 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 **Anya** (Breakfast Club) **Florence C, Molly, Erin** and **Ollie** (Lunchtime).

## Stars of the Week

**In Class:** Moana: *Piran* for amazing determination in literacy and fantastic coding; Franklin: *Lilly-May* for always being kind and showing an excellent attitude to learning; Mercury: *Melodie* for having a wonderful and positive attitude to learning; Mitchell: *Anna* for superb creativity. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: *Harrison C* for excellent ball skills (even when injured). KS2 *Anna* for fabulous football. **Music:** YR/KS1: *Jude* for super samba drumming. KS2: *Melodie* for singing like a professional singer.

## Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February: Half Term

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February: Back to school; Franklin @ Penzance gym, pm; Y6 children's luggage for London must be in school by 2pm

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February: Year 6 in London on a residential visit

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February: Some KS2 children attending Cross Country @ Cape Cornwall - LATER pick up @ 5.30pm from Marazion School

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> February: KS2 swimming session, pm - LATER pick up @ 4pm from the main playground gate