MARAZION SCHOOL GOVERNORS' NEWSLETTER Autumn Term 2024

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Marazion School Governors' autumn newsletter. This newsletter provides you with up to date information about the Full Governing Board (FGB), including how to contact governors and governors' recent actions.

Marazion School Governing Body

Chair of Governors: Caroline Peers; **Vice Chair of Governors**: Annia McNeill; **LA Governor**: Derek Laity; **Foundation Governors**: Jim Allen; Delyth James; **Co-opted Governors**: Caroline Peers; Canon Nigel Marns; Rosemary Harvey; **Parent Governors**: Stuart Firth; Annia McNeill; **Staff Governors**: Jenny Rainbow; Tanya Tredinnick. The FGB currently has 10 members. Please note that the Headteacher also attends all governors' meetings.

Marazion School Cohort Governors (CG)

We have Cohort Governors for each year group and these governors stay with the year group as they move through the school. CGs for 2023-24: Jim Allen, Year R; Canon Nigel Marns, Year 1; Tanya Tredinnick, Year 2; Caroline Peers, Year 3; Derek Laity, Year 4; Del James, Year 5; Annia McNeill, Year 6.

Marazion School Governors' Committee Structure

Marazion FGB has the following committees: **The Quality of Education** Committee (Caroline Peers is the Chair). This committee has a focus on standards; curriculum; quality of teaching; personal development as well as learning and work scrutiny; **Finance and First Committee** (Delyth James is the Chair); **Behaviour and Safety Committee** (Tanya Tredinnick is the Chair) and **Pay Committee** (Jim Allen is the Chair). These committees all meet via Zoom. Governors also meet as a Full Governing Body every half term - 3 of these meetings are face to face and 3 are via Zoom. Governor monitoring is carried out via Zoom or face to face.

Ways To Get In Touch

If you wish to get in touch with any of our governors, there are several ways to do this: contact Tamsyn in the office and she can get a governor to phone you back and/or arrange a meeting with a governor; email Caroline Peers, our Chair of Governors at <u>chair@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk</u>; our Parent Governors, Stuart Firth and Annia McNeill can also be contacted via the School Office. Please note that governors can work with school remotely so it is possible to meet with governors via Zoom/Teams as well as face to face.

<u>Partnership Working</u>

Currently Marazion School is working with: Penwith Education Trust (PET); Crofty Education Trust; Marazion and Ludgvan Oasis Childcare Centres; Cornwall Association of Primary Headteachers (CAPH); Youth Sports Trust (YST); Penwith PE Network (PPN); Devon and Cornwall Maths Hub; Kernow Education Hub.

What Have Governors Done Recently?

Our Governing Body is committed to and passionate about providing the very best education for pupils at Marazion School. They both support and challenge the school, holding senior leaders to account. Recently the governors have:

- Continued to work remotely where it is more effective and efficient
- Managed consultation process for joining Crofty Education Trust (CET)
- Attended CET Parents' Consultation Meeting
- Continued to discuss the current funding crisis in schools
- Set Marazion School budget for 2024-25
- Monitored 2024-25 school budget closely
- Met with Cornwall Council Education Effectiveness Team to discuss 2024-25 budget
- Reviewed school policies and recommended them to Full Governing Board (FGB) for approval
- Attended training: phonics; KCSIE 2024 update; Safety in School
- Carried out governor monitoring visits remotely and/or face to face
- Organised and managed the installation of 2 EV chargers
- Monitored income from Green Energy initiatives
- Attended Penwith Education Trust Board Meeting
- Welcomed the government's decision to immediately withdraw Ofsted's single word judgements.

<u> Dates in the Diary: governors' meetings – autumn term 2024</u>

Wednesday 18th September: Full Governors' Board Meeting, 5.30pm Wednesday 9th October: Finance and First Meeting, 5.30pm Wednesday 23rd October: Pay Committee, 5.30pm via Zoom Wednesday 13th November: Quality of Education Committee, 5.30pm Wednesday 20th November: Full Governors' Board Meeting, 5.30pm via Zoom Wednesday 27th November: Behaviour and Safety Committee, 5.30pm via Zoom