

MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 13th March 2025

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Potential is always there. It is just waiting for you to use it.

Dear Parents,

Red Nose Day (RND) is next Friday 21st March and we are asking adults and children in school to wear red (this includes face paints!). We are asking for a £1 donation. RND is an annual fundraising campaign created by **Comic Relief** to help raise awareness of, and put an end to, child poverty. RND raises money to keep children safe, healthy and educated. RND donations help Comic Relief fill the shelves of baby banks, community food centres, fund vital community-led services like health workers, local youth safe-spaces, and ensure safe passage for people escaping danger.

Spring Term Parents' Meetings

Thank you for attending parents' meetings this week - we have had 100% attendance so far. A reminder that you can meet over Zoom or by a telephone call as well as face to face. Please note that you can also review your child's work/books at any time - just ask your child's class teacher for an appointment. Children's work is always part of our termly class outcomes too. Parents' Meetings are continuing into next week. More information will be sent out from your child's class teacher. Mercury Parents' Meetings are next Tuesday 18th March and Moana Parents' Meetings are next Wednesday 19th March. Emails have already been sent out.

Bank Account Changes – Cash Only

A reminder that you will no longer be able to pay into our bank account due to our conversion to Crofty Education Trust. Parent Pay should be up and running after Easter. Please note that school lunch, residentials and breakfast club payments still need to be paid by cash to the office in advance. Many thanks.

2025 Residential Visits

Year 3 Residential Visit: Year 3 children are off to Porthpean during the first week back after Easter from Wednesday 23rd to Friday 25th April. The total cost of this visit is £175. Full payment for this residential needs to be paid by Friday 28th March. At the moment we cannot accept bank payments so this can only be paid by cash to the school office (see above). A reminder that 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. **Year 4/5 Residential Visit:** Please note change of dates. Children in Year 4 and 5 are now off to Camp Kernow from **Wednesday 18th to Friday 20th June**. A Parents' Meeting for this residential visit is in school on Tuesday 29th April (straight after school). We have again been able to offer a subsidy on the cost of 2025 residential visits for all children school fundraising money is used to subsidise these visits.

After School Clubs

A final reminder that **multi-skills**; **indoor hockey and dodgeball clubs** are not running for the second half of this term. Boys' football club is now on Wednesdays after school and girls' football club is on Wednesday lunch times.

Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

WhatsApp Update: We have recently had a number of safeguarding incidents linked to children's use of WhatsApp. In April 2024 the age for WhatsApp use was lowered from sixteen to thirteen. Please follow the link below for an article on the WhatsApp age of consent issue: https://parentzone.org.uk/article/whatsapp

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. **Franklin** are hosting the RR next week. **School Visits/Events**: Next week, Franklin are going rock pooling; Mercury have their Art Day on Tuesday (please can children wear their own clothes they don't mind getting messy); Moana have Woodland School on Wednesday and there is a whole school Beach School. More detailed information about school visits/events is sent out by class teachers.

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; **Mercur**y (Year 4/5): Monday and Wednesday; **Mitchell** (Year 5/6): Wednesday and Friday. **Fixtures and Events**: There is a Boys' Football Festival next week. Letters have already gone out. Please see below for dates and times. **Swimming Sessions**: This half term, some Year 3 children and some continuing swimmers in Year 4, 5 and 6 are swimming. 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 children need 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 this half term. Children need to wear a t-shirt that has no buttons to the gym. Thanks. **Optional PE Homework**: For March, make the most of the lighter evenings by going for a family walk.

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, Mercury want to say thank you to the archaeologists for their wonderful discoveries. 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 40 merit certificates: **Jonboy** and **Josh J**. Children who have earned 60 merit certificates: **Toby P** and **Lowen**. Children who have earned 100 merit certificates: **Rosenwyn**.

Stars of the Week

<u>In Class</u>: Moana: *Eve* for brilliantly challenging herself in learning; Franklin: *Imogen* for going above and beyond in and out of class; Mercury: *Alice* for having a wonderful positive attitude. Mitchell: *Alex* for fabulous art and having an amazing attitude to learning. <u>Sporting</u>: YR/KS1: *Autumn* for being super focused in Cosmic Yoga. KS2: *Alex* for showing fabulous resilience and commitment in sports. <u>Music</u>: YR/KS1: *Ella* for beautiful singing of the *Springtime* song. KS2: *Locryn* for fantastic singing in singing assembly.

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 **Robyn** (Breakfast Club) **Willow, Harley, Florence W** and **Melodie** (Lunchtime).

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 17th March

Monday 17th March: Franklin @ Penzance gym, pm

Tuesday 18th March: Mercury Art Day; Mercury Parents' Meetings; KS2 Surf Club assembly **Wednesday 12th March:** Moana Parents' Meetings; KS2 swimming session, pm - LATER pick up @ 4pm from the main playground gate; Boys Football Festival @ MBA - LATER pick up of 5.30pm from Marazion School.