



MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Because these things will change. Taylor Swift

Dear Parents,

Marazion School has a vacancy for a Parent Governor. Please speak to Tamsyn or Ed if you have any queries about this opportunity. Marazion School has a stable, experienced FGB with a commitment to and a passion for providing the very best experiences for our children. As a governor you work hard, give your time and energy and share your experience - all for free - but the role is also very rewarding and can be fun. If you would like to find out some more about the role of a parent governor, you can email Caroline Peers (our Chair of Governors) at chair@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk

2024 Surf Safe Days (SSDs)

A reminder that **Mitchell (Y5/6)** have their SSD tomorrow, **Friday 11th October**. Further information about this day has been sent out by Mr Groom.

Tempest Marazion School Photos - Next Wednesday 16th October

Tempest are now coming into school next Wednesday 16th October for individual photographs. The photographer will be in school from 8.30am if you want family group photographs. **If this day is your child's PE Day, your child can come to school in uniform on the day with PE kit to change into.**

Breakfast Club Parking

Please note that we ask that parents do not park in the staff car park at any time, including when dropping children off at Breakfast Club. The playground gate is open from 7.45am so that children can be dropped off at the playground entrance, walking through the playground and up into school past the School Office. If you wish to go with your child/children into Breakfast Club (in the school hall) then you need to find alternative parking to the staff car park. A reminder that you can have a pass for your car, which allows you to park in Marazion Community Centre during drop off and pick up times. These passes are available from the School Office.

Minibus Fuel Charges

As you are probably aware, there are national campaigns highlighting the current funding crisis in schools, with schools facing significant cost pressures. Please note that, during this school year, we are now charging for fuel for the minibuses as part of our costings for school events/visits.

2024-25 Fundraising Events

To help us with cost pressures, classes are once again planning fundraising events across this school year. These funds helped to support a subsidy for all children who took part in a residential visit last year and we aim to do the same in 2024-25.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations 2024

We have the School Nursing Team coming in school for nasal flu vaccinations on Tuesday 5th November (the first week back after half term). All children from Reception to Year 6 are offered the vaccine. Letters about this will be emailed out next week (paper copies are available in the office). Parents/carers need to register their consent for children to have the vaccine via the following link by Friday 1st November: <https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>. Please ensure you enter the full unique school reference code, which is **EE111792**.

The National Measurement Programme

At some point in the coming months, the School Nursing Team are in school to check height and weight of the Reception and Y6 children. More information and opt out options are on the links below for each year group:

<https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/2024-child-health-programme-reception-year/>

<https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/2024-child-health-programme-year-6/>

NEW National Attendance Guidance for Schools

A reminder that there is a new and updated Marazion School Request for Absence during Term Time form. The form has been updated following the publication of new national attendance guidance for schools published in August 2024, which can be found through the link below:

[Working together to improve school attendance \(applies from 19 August 2024\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/100000/working-together-to-improve-school-attendance-applies-from-19-august-2024.pdf)
([publishing.service.gov.uk](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk))

In/Out of School

Marazion School Reading Room (RR): Marazion School's RR is open again. 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 Tempest are coming into school to take family/individual photographs; Mercury have their Adventure Day and there is a 'Routes for Remembrance' theme for KS2 Funky Forest Friday. Further information about school events/visits is sent out by email from your child's class teacher.

Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

Digital Explorers: An Online Safety Quest - London Grid for Learning. The London Grid for Learning, has published a fun and interactive resource for thinking about online safety. Aimed at children aged 7 to 10, the objective of this resource is to introduce the basics of online safety and online interactions. Essential concepts are taught such as online kindness, safe sharing and recognising trusted adults. To download these resources, please follow this link: <https://lgfl.net/safeguarding/online-safety/digital-explorers>

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:** Next week, some children in Year 1/2 are taking part in a multi-skills event @ MBA. Please see below for date and time. **Swimming Sessions:** Children in Mitchell class (Y6/5) are swimming this half term. 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 during this half term. **Optional PE Homework:** For October, we are asking you to go on an autumn walk and notice your favourite local plants, spaces and places.

Autumn 1 Themes

This term our **Vision and Aims Board** focuses on Marazion School's **SIXTH AIM**: *to support and celebrate the whole child to reveal local, national and global awareness*, thinking about how this aim is reflected in our daily school life. The theme for assemblies and circle time during this half term is **BE the BEST You**. Children are thinking about how they can get to know themselves better, manage emotions and make good choices, discussing how we see others and how others see us. There is also a focus on keeping safe online. The **precept for autumn 1** is at the top of this newsletter.

Volunteering at Marazion School

Do you or anyone you know have any free time to support the children and our environment at Marazion School? If so, we would love to welcome you to be part of our team. We are actively looking for volunteers for driving the minibus, helping with our educational visits, gardening and reading. This can be on a weekly basis or ad hoc. Please speak to Sara or Tamsyn/Edna in the office if this is something you are interested in. As part of our safer recruitment procedures all volunteers will have an enhanced DBS check.

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, Moana are thankful for wonderful books, authors and illustrators.** We clapped together in Celebration Assembly this morning to support this.

Stars of the Week

In Class: Moana: **Toby** for being full of fantastic facts and having a wonderful understanding of the world. Franklin: **Bayley** for brilliant learning; Mercury: **Kit** for super amazing enthusiasm; Mitchell: **Daisy** for superb focus in art and reading; **Ethan** for being an outstanding role model to younger children. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Jude** for fantastic resilience and tagging. KS2: **Fleur** for fabulous teamwork and catching in Benchball. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Aoeffe** for beautiful singing. KS2: **Josh S** for super ukulele progress.

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 **Molly** (Breakfast Club) **Avie-Jane, Erika, Hugo** and **Anna** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Autumn** and **George** who celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to you 😊

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 14th October

Tuesday 15th October: Mercury Adventure Day; Year 1/2 Multi-Skills event @ MBA, am

Wednesday 16th October: Tempest Photographer in school from 8.30am (family photographs from 8.30am); Swimming session, Mitchell (Y5/6), pm. **LATER pick up @ 4pm from the playing field**