



MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Because these things will change. Taylor Swift

Dear Parents,

We had a *Tempest* photographer in school this week taking individual and family photos. You can order online via the website and code on the order form, which were handed out yesterday. Please order by Wednesday 6th November if you would like free delivery to school in time for Christmas. Thanks.

Staffing Update - Autumn 2 2024

Mrs Stedmon is taking maternity leave from Monday 4th November. Please see CT (class teacher) and learning support (LS) class information below for next half term:

Moana: Miss Hall and Miss Oliver (Fridays), CTs + Mrs Goss, LS

Franklin: Mrs Rescorla and Mrs Tredinnick (Fridays), CTs + Mrs Tredinnick / Miss Murphy / Mr Case (Fridays), LS

Mercury: Mrs Davies (Mon and Tues) / Mrs Holmes (Wed-Fri), CTs + Mr Tanner LS

Mitchell: Mr Groom, CT + Miss Rainbow, LS

Mrs Davies is Amy Davies who worked at Marazion School for 2 terms last year and has been in school this week covering Mitchell.

Marazion School Parent Governor Vacancy

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

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.

Cauliflower Christmas Cards

We know it is very early but, by next week, children are coming home with a piece of personalised Christmas artwork and a 'Cauliflower Cards' ordering form. Your child's artwork can be turned into cards, wrapping paper, notebooks or the design printed onto a mug. If you have any difficulties placing your order please speak to your class teacher. All returned art work must come back to school on Monday 4th November. Last year, the final products looked amazing and the school also received some commission. This year, we are very excited to be using the money raised from this Christmas fundraising to pay for *Squashbox Theatre* to deliver 'The Christmassy Christmas Show of Christmassy Christmasness' to our children. Many thanks.

2024 Marazion School Christmas Fair

Our school Christmas Fair will be taking place on Friday 29th November from 2-5pm. If you or anyone you know would like to have a stall, please email socialmedia@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk to book. Stalls are £13. We are also be running a raffle and tombola. If you own a business and can offer a prize of a visit, voucher or a gift please can you speak to your child's class teacher or the School Office. Also, if you have any unused, unloved gifts, bottles, toys etc that can be donated to our tombola stall, please drop them in to school. Thank you again for your continued support.

Blackbird Pie Magazine

The family Blackbird Pie magazine is now available on line, check the link below to find out what's on: <https://Blackbird Pie Magazine on-line>

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/>

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. **Mercury** are hosting the RR next week. **School Visits/Events:** Next week Flight Club are off to the Heliport for their final session of this half term. Please note that next Friday 25th October is an Inset Day. Further information about school events/visits is sent out by email from your child's class teacher.

Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

Screen Time and Healthy Balance resource: We have been talking in Monday assemblies recently about managing our screen time so here is a reminder about The [Screen Time and Healthy Balance](#) resource (follow the hyperlink in blue). This resource contains a collection of quick activities that schools can use with children aged 7-11 year to help explore the concept of screen time. It includes ideas for activities on the signs someone has had too much screen time and around finding a healthy balance between online and offline activities. We have used some of these activities and ideas.

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 5/6 are taking part in a Ball Games 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.

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, Mitchell want to say thank you to Global Boarders for their fantastic Surf Safe Days.** 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: **Harrison C, Piran, Noah, Ruan, Avie-Jane, George, Tallulah, Hugh, Maggie-May, Orla, Emily, Melodie and Stephen.**

Stars of the Week

In Class: Moana: **Eve** for fantastic reading and super enthusiasm to phonics. Franklin: **Molly** for beautiful story writing; Mercury: **Noah** for showing a fantastic attitude learning; Mitchell: **Josh S** for giving 100%. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Harrison C** for showing fabulous leadership in PE. KS2: **Tiga** for excellent catching in Dodgeball. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Lilly-May WM** for beautiful singing in Singing Assembly. KS2: **Theo** for brilliant ukulele skills.

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) **Harrison C**, **Mia**, **Harrison W** and **Ruan** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Anna**, **Kit**, **Ezra** and **Ruan** who celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to you 😊

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 21st October

Wednesday 23rd October: Year 5/6 Ball Games event @ MBA, am; Swimming session, Mitchell (Y5/6), pm. **LATER pick up @ 4pm from the playing field**

Friday 25th October: Inset Day