



MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Expect respect.

Dear Parents,

This is the last newsletter of this term...already! It has been a very busy end to term with a Christmas Fair; a Festival of Carols; children singing as part of Marazion Lights Switch On; a Christmas Nativity; Christmas Lunch; a Christmas Community Carol Service and, AFTER SCHOOL TODAY, a Christmas themed Silent Disco. Thank you for your continued and wonderful support for Marazion School. We are so lucky to have an amazing local community.

Happy Christmas to one and all!

Christmas Jumpers / Comfortable Clothes

Please note that children can wear Christmas jumpers and their own comfortable clothes on the last 2 days of term, next Monday 18th and Tuesday 19th December.

Christmas Party Lunch - Tuesday 19th December

On our last of term, school lunch is Christmas Party food. This will include a selection of sandwiches, mini sausage rolls, pizza fingers, veggies, potato wedges plus cake and fruit. A reminder that a child's school lunch costs £2.65. **A huge thank you to Sam and Kirsty who prepared and served a wonderful and delicious Christmas lunch on Wednesday. Yum! We all had a lovely time.**

Marazion School Harvest Festival 2023

Today and tomorrow are the last days for you to support this year's Marazion School's Harvest Festival. We are asking you to donate festive foods and treats for a local food bank so that the goodies are shared with people who live in our local community. Thank you for the donations that we have already received 😊

Marazion Town Annual Civic Service Procession - Sunday 14th January

The Mayor and Mayoress, William and Judith Collins, welcome all to attend Marazion Methodist Church at 11am to celebrate and reflect on the past year in Marazion. Some Marazion School children are singing at the service, letters for this will be going out on Monday when we come back to school.

Year 4 and 5 Residential Visit - Isles of Scilly (IOS)

The approximate cost for the 2024 IOS visit is £265. The final cost will be confirmed after the IOS health and safety visit. Please note that you can set up an instalment card NOW and start making payments so that you can spread the cost over 7 months. Please speak to Tamsyn or Ed in the School Office for more information and for the pupil premium cost. A Parents' Meeting for this residential visit is on Tuesday 16th January in school @ 3.15pm and via Zoom @ 5.30pm. The Zoom invite will be sent out in the new year.

Marazion School Reading Books

Some children have chosen pre-loved books today to take home and keep. Happy reading! 😊

In/Out of School

After School Clubs: Marazion School clubs start again for the spring term on Monday 15th January.

Marazion School Reading Room (RR): Children can choose to come into school and read for pleasure from 8.30-8.45am every day. **Rivers** are hosting reading sessions during the first week back. **School**

Visits/Events: Next week there is a Christmas Party Lunch on Tuesday (see above) and **Rivers** are visiting St Michael's Mount during the first week back.

52 Acts of Kindness, 2 to go!

We are nearly there...spreading joy in every week of 2023 by doing something kind - giving our time, empathy, support and thought to find ways to help the people around us. Kindness is FREE. For **Week 51 and 52**, **Rivers** have 2 ideas for this week's act of kindness: spread some joy with a song, as Buddy the Elf would say "the best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear". Also, reflect on and celebrate all the kind acts that you have done throughout the year.

We did it! We have thought of ideas for 52 acts of kindness for 2023 😊

Headlice - Treatment and Prevention

Please can you check your child's hair for headlice at least once a week. This is important in order to make sure that the source of infection is always managed. Local expert advice supports treatment with the Wet Combing Method - at least a weekly check of wet hair at hair wash time to detect headlice using a good quality detection comb and any conditioner. If live lice are detected this method should be used every 3 days for 2-3 weeks in order to prevent re-infection. If you find someone in your family has headlice, it is important to inform all close contacts. **Please can we also ask that children come to school with their hair tied up as this can limit transmission from child to child. Thanks.**

Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

Keeping Children Safe in Sport - NSPCC: Sport is a fantastic thing for children and young people. It helps them socialise, keeps them fit and more importantly can introduce them into an interest for life. One which will increase their quality of life far into the future, setting good habits and instilling values and self-discipline. Engaging with them in this manner can show them new directions for their lives and expand their opportunities. However, like with anything, there are risks, for example away matches; interactions with non-school staff such as coach drivers; out-of-school coaches and other personnel, which can create vulnerability. To help head off these potential issues, the NSPCC has created a page dedicated to offering guidance on how to keep children safe in sporting environments. To find out more please click on the following link: <https://thecpsu.org.uk/parents>

PE and School Sport

PE Days: Children come to school in PE kits on the days they have Games Afternoons/PE sessions. Spring PE Days for each class are: Curious Clouds (Year R/1): Wednesday and Thursday; Rivers (Year 1/2): Monday and Tuesday; Luxulyan Valley (Year 3/4): Wednesday and Friday; Deltas (Year 4/5): Wednesday and Friday; Tectonics (Year 6): Wednesday and Friday. **Fixtures and Events:** There are no fixtures or events next week or during the first week back. **Swimming Sessions:** Year 5 children are swimming next term. Texts went out earlier in the week to all Year 5 parents/carers as a reminder. **Pick up is LATER after swimming, 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:** Curious Clouds have gym sessions on Wednesday mornings next term from Wednesday 10th January. Children need to wear a t-shirt that has no buttons to the gym. Thanks. **Optional PE Homework:** For December, we are asking you to complete the Christmas Active Advent Calendar! This can be found on *Seesaw* - there is a different activity for each day.

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, Rivers want to say thank you to all the children for their hard work and performances in the carol concert and nativity.** 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: **Mason, Anna, Aurora, Destiny, Digby, Kelsie** and **Lilly-May T**. Children who have earned 40 merit certificates: **Rosenwyn, Ethan, Locryn** and **Simi**.

Stars of the Autumn Term

In Class: Curious Clouds: **Toby** for showing positivity, resilience and great attitude to learning; Rivers: **Ilaría** for being kind, caring and the queen of the purposeful play; Luxulyan Valley: **Lyra** for being a ray of sunshine in the classroom; Deltas: **Nhovi** for making amazing progress in literacy and maths and giving 100% in P.E and art; Tectonics: **Freya** for being a beautifully bubbly member of the class, making progress in learning and confidence; **Music:** YR/KS1: **Ruby R** for an amazing performance after practising really hard for the nativity; KS2: **Lilly-May T** for taking on bass guitar after not ever playing an instrument before and all around great attitude in music. Each for these stars have got an *Edge of the World* £5 book voucher to spend. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Rosenwyn** for great tennis skills during the block of tennis; KS2: **Jacob** brilliant goals at football and always being really helpful at clubs. These 2 stars have a frisbee as a prize. **100% work raffle winners:** **Josh S, Kernow** and **Aoefe** each child received a *Smiggle* treat. **Marvellous Merits lucky dip winners:** **Toby, Kaiden, Nancie, Harrison W, Beau, Imogen, Billy, Kit, Jack P, Lilly-May T, Kaya, Theo, Khianna, Summer** and **Poppy** who received Christmas a notepad and pencil. **Kind and Caring winner:** **Imogen** who has chosen to donate her £10 prize to the *Cornish Seal Sanctuary*. **Jago Cup Winner:** presented for being kind and caring: **Digby**.

Good Manners @ Lunch Time and Breakfast Club

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 **Jonboy** (Breakfast Club), **Maison, Enys, Otis** and **Nahla** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Toby** who celebrated his birthday this week. Many Happy Returns to you 😊

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 18th December

Tuesday 19th December: Last day of term, 2pm EARLY finish

Wednesday 20th December - Wednesday 3rd January: Christmas Holidays

Thursday 4th January: INSET Day

Friday 5th January: INSET Day

Monday 8th January: Back to school

Wednesday 10th January: Curious Clouds @ Penzance gym, am; Year 5 swimming session, pm

Sunday 14th January: Marazion Town Civic Service @ Marazion Methodist Church, 11am