



# MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## **Geography is destiny.** Abraham Verghese

Dear Parents,

For this school year, each class is organising a termly fundraising event - everyone is invited to the events. Deltas have already hosted a *Teddy Tombola*. On Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October, Rivers are holding a *Halloween Gathering* where you can buy homemade Halloween decorations; tasty, spooky treats and also guess the weight of the pumpkin. Rivers will be in the playground (weather permitting) from 2.45pm. After that, Luxulyan Valley are managing the *Cauliflower Christmas Project* (see below); Curious Clouds are inviting you to A Christmas Craft Fair and Year 6 children are taking part in their *Trade Your Way* project, selling items at our Christmas Fair.

### **COVID-19 Update**

Please note that we continue to have confirmed positive cases of COVID 19 in school. Please be extra vigilant for any symptoms/signs that your child/children and/or family are unwell.

### **2024 Secondary School Admissions**

A reminder for parents of Year 6 children that the closing date for confirming your child's choice of secondary school is **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October**.

### **The National Measurement Programme**

Over the next couple of weeks, 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/child-health-programme-reception-year/>

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

### **Marazion School Christmas Fair - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2-5pm**

Marazion School Christmas Fair is on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December from 2-5pm. All are invited - please make sure that you let your friends and family know the date too. Thanks. We are now taking bookings for tables at a cost of £10. Please email [socialmedia@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:socialmedia@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk) for more details. We are also looking for donations for our tombola and raffle. Please have a rummage through your cupboards for any donations of new and unused items such as bubble baths, games, jars and bottles. Also, if you know a local business that would like to donate a prize for a raffle, it would be greatly received. All donations can be handed in to the school office. Thank you very much in advance.

### **School Uniform Swap Shop (SUSS)**

The SUSS has now been updated to include lots of winter uniform. A reminder to always browse in the swap shop before buying any new uniform. Please also remember to take a look for the next size up. Swapping helps our school to look after the environment by reducing waste. 😊

### Christmas Card/Gift Project 2023

This year we are taking part in the 'Cauliflower 2023 Christmas Project' to raise money for our school. Your child is designing a piece of Christmas artwork, which can be used to create mugs, notebooks, cards and wrapping paper. All artwork will be sent home, with an ordering form, by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. If you would like to place an order this can then be done online. All completed forms must be returned to school by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, ready to be collected by the company. Please contact the School Office if you require any further information.

### Together for Families/Early Help Support

Family advice is available from our school's link Family Worker, Sally Sharp, on any issues that may be affecting your family. This offer is a friendly, supportive service that meets your needs or introduces you to a service that can help you. It also offers parenting courses and can give further information about these. If you feel you need some friendly advice or any kind of family support, please feel free to contact school and we will arrange for Sally to contact you directly. Please speak to Miss Oliver if you want to discuss any of this offer further.

### In/Out of School

**Clothes for Friday:** KS2 children have PE in the morning on Fridays and Funky/Forest Fridays in the afternoon. Please can KS2 children wear comfortable clothes that they can do PE in and that they do not mind getting messy. Thanks. **Marazion Clubs:** All Marazion Clubs have now started. Autumn clubs run until Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. **Marazion School Reading Room (RR):** Children can choose to come into school and read for pleasure from 8.30-8.45am every day. **Tectonics** are hosting reading sessions next week. **School Events:** Next week **parents of Year 6 children** are invited into school on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October from 3pm for a Parents' Meeting about 2024 residential visits to London and Oxford. There is also a meeting via Zoom @ 5.30pm. Further details, and the Zoom link, will be sent out by Mr Groom. **Tectonics** (Year 6) have part 2 of their Adventure Day and are in school 4-6pm on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October after swimming. Year 6 parents are invited into school from 5.15pm for the Year 6 Meet and Greet parents' meeting. **School Visits:** Next week both **Curious Clouds** and **Luxulyan Valley** have their Adventure/Topic Launch Days and **Rivers** have their Adventure Day. All details about school visits are sent to parents by email from their child's class teacher.

### Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

A reminder about **Keeping Children Safe during Community Activities, After-School Clubs and Tuition:** the government guidance 'Keeping Children Safe in Out-of-School Settings' has now been updated and replaced by new guidance published on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2023. The new over-arching guidance document is called 'After-Schools clubs, community activities and tuition safeguarding guidance for providers' (Department of Education, September 2023). Below is a link to a summary leaflet for parents about providers running out-of-school settings (Department of Education, 2023.)

<https://dfegovukassets.blob.core.windows.net/assets/14539%20OOSS/Helping%20to%20keep%20Ochildren%20safe%20posters.pdf>

### 52 Acts of Kindness, 12 to go!

We want to spread 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 40**, **Tectonics** have an idea for this week's act of kindness: Donate an item to a food bank next time you shop.

## PE and School Sport

**PE Days:** Children come to school in PE kits on the days they have Games Afternoons/PE sessions. Autumn PE Days for each class are: Curious Clouds (Year R/1): Thursday; Rivers (Year 1/2): Monday and Tuesday; Luxulyan Valley (Year 3/4): Monday and Friday; Deltas (Year 4/5): Thursday and Friday; Tectonics (Year 6): Wednesday and Friday. **Fixtures and Events:** There no fixtures and Events this week. **Swimming Sessions:** Tectonics (Year 6) have their swimming sessions on Wednesday afternoons this half term. A reminder that pick up is LATER at 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:** Luxulyan Valley (Year 3/4) have gym sessions on Monday afternoons this half term. A reminder that all children need to wear a t-shirt that has no buttons to the gym. Thanks. **Optional PE Homework:** For October, we are asking for you to stay active and either do a run, walk or bike ride over the next month to keep fit and healthy. Post what you get up to on Seesaw!

## Say Thank You to Someone Somehow

Lots of us said THANK YOU to lots of different people during lockdown, including taking part in the NHS Clap for Carers. We want to keep doing this, so every week one class (or the whole school) will choose who they want to say thank you to. This week, Tectonics want to say thank you to all Search and Rescue Teams for helping us keep safe doing the things we love. 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: **Nahla, Maggie-May, Nathan** and **Ezra**.

## Stars of the Week

**In Class:** Curious Clouds: **Wesley** for making good choices and sitting beautifully on the carpet; Rivers: **Rosenwyn** for challenging herself in all subjects; Luxulyan Valley: **Skye** for always being an enthusiastic and superstar learner; Deltas: **Kelsie** for showing incredible bravery and resilience on surf day; Tectonics: **Nahla** for always being kind and positive. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Tallulah** for great tennis skills; KS2: **Nathan** for fantastic running in cross country. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Sophia** for beautiful singing; KS2: **Billy** for superior singing in singing assembly.

## 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 **Molly** (Breakfast Club), **Emily, Lola K, Teddy Baw** and **Erin** (Lunchtime).

## Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Jack P, George** and **Anna** who all celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to you all ☺

## Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October

**Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October:** Year 6 Parents' Meeting - 2024 residential visits to London/Oxford @ 3pm in school and via Zoom @ 5.30pm

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> October:** Year 6 swimming session, 4pm LATER pick up from the playing field; Year 6 Adventure Day part 2 4-6pm; Year 6 Parents' Meeting - Meet and Greet from 5.15pm

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October:** Inset Day