



MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents,

A reminder that Marazion School Christmas Fair is TOMORROW Friday 1st December from 2-5pm in school. Santa has found time in his busy schedule to pop into school and join us. It costs £1 to meet Santa and your child will receive a small gift. Please note that you can collect your child/children from 2pm to enjoy the Fair with you or browse on your own from 2-3pm and pick your child/children up as usual and then come to the Fair. Many thanks for your generous support so far, from donating raffle/tombola prizes to giving your time tomorrow and buying raffle tickets. A reminder to still let us know if you can volunteer to help us out tomorrow: setting up; running a stall; helping to serve refreshments; tidying away?? It would be very much appreciated. Please let the School Office know if you can help in any way. Thanks.

2024 Year 6 Residential Visit London deposit – Due TOMORROW Friday 1st December

Please note that a non-refundable deposit of £25 must be paid by tomorrow Friday 1st December for the 2024 London residential visit - this secures your child's place on this visit. Thanks.

2023 Marazion School Christmassy Dates

Curious Clouds Christmas Craft Fair: parents of children in CC are invited into school on Wednesday 5th December, 8.45-9.45am, to support their fundraising event. There are homemade Christmas decorations to buy as well as coffee and cake.

KS2 Festival of Carols (F of C): our 2023 F of C is at the Methodist Church in Marazion on Wednesday 6th December at 6pm. The theme for this year's service is Christmas Around the World. Please join us for festive songs and poems as we gather together to celebrate Christmas. More information about the service has already gone out to parents of children in KS2.

Reception/KS1 Nativity – *I'm Gonna Shine*: children in Reception and KS1 perform this year's nativity in the school hall on Tuesday 12th December. There is a matinee @ 1.45pm and an evening performance @ 5pm. Tickets cost £2 for adults and £1 for children and are on sale from tomorrow 1st December.

Christmas themed fancy-dress Silent Disco (SD): get out your most festive attire and join us for a seasonal silent disco on Thursday 14th December from 5.30-7pm. For children at Marazion School, SD tickets are FREE. You can buy adult tickets for £2 and tickets for younger children are £1. Tickets are on sale from tomorrow 1st December.

2023 Marazion Lights Switch On – Friday 8th December

Some KS2 children from Marazion School are performing Christmas songs from 6.40pm as part of this year's lights switch on in the town. Permission letters are going out today. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in the festive fun. The light switch on is at 7.30pm. There will be live music, Christmas trees for sale and a Christmas market in All Saints Church.

Marazion Community Carol Service - Wednesday 13th December

This year, as a part of the town's Advent and Christmas celebrations, Marazion Methodist and All Saints churches are joining together to hold a Community Carol Service. All of us are invited to the service at All Saints Marazion, on Wednesday 13th December at 6pm, to come together and retell the story of the nativity.

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.

Marazion School Harvest Festival 2023

A reminder that for this year's Marazion School's Harvest Festival, we are asking you to donate festive foods and treats, which we will collect during this half term. The School Council will then take our Christmas donations to a local food bank so that the goodies are shared with people who live in our local community. Think about putting something extra in your basket or trolley next time you are shopping and then drop this into the school office. Thank you 😊 Thank you for the donations that we have already received 😊

Reception Vision Screening

Nurses are coming to Marazion School before Christmas, to carry out vision screening for Reception children. More information and opt out options are on the link below:

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

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 scheduled for January 2024.

In/Out of School

Autumn Class Outcomes: A reminder that Tectonics' Outcome for this term will now be in the spring term after the School Box has been repaired due to recent vandalism. **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 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:** The Marazion School Christmas Fair (see above) is tomorrow. Next week, Curious Clouds are hosting their Christmas Craft Coffee Morning at school and the KS2 Festival of Carols is at the Methodist Church.

52 Acts of Kindness, 4 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 48**, **Deltas** have an idea for this week's act of kindness: if you see a friend who is not in a good mood, hold out your hand and show them a friendly smile.

The Big Ambition Campaign

You may have heard of the national campaign **The Big Ambition (TBA)**. Please follow the link below to complete the survey for children and parents. Children or parents can complete the survey here: www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigambition. Further resources are available on the TBA [website](#). Have your say!

Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

Online Cybersecurity - The Meeting Digital and Technology Standards in Schools and Colleges document states that 'staff who require access to your IT network must take basic cyber security training every year. The training should be also be part of the induction training for new staff. This is important because the most common forms of cyber attack rely on mistakes by staff members to be successful. Avoiding these mistakes prevents the attacks. Therefore, developing a basic cyber security knowledge amongst staff and governors is vital in promoting a more risk aware school culture. The aim is for governors, leaders and staff to understand the cybersecurity threat to schools, how to identify some red flags that indicate a potential threat and how to reduce the risk of an attack.

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): Wednesday and Friday; Deltas (Year 4/5): Thursday and Friday; Tectonics (Year 6): Wednesday and Friday. **Fixtures and Events:** Next week 4 KS2 children are taking part in the Penwith High Performance Programme. Letters have already gone out. See below for date and time. **Swimming Sessions:** Some Year 6 pupils are continuing with their swimming sessions on Wednesday afternoons. You will receive a text message on Tuesday if your child is going swimming. **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:** There are no gym sessions this half term. **Optional PE Homework:** For November, we are asking you to dance like no one is watching to some happy tunes.

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, Deltas want to say thank you to everyone who works to put up Christmas decorations in our local communities.** 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: **Sammy, Ruan, Winter-Fray, Alex, Molly, Lowen, Teddy Bw** and **Josh J**. Children who have earned 40 merit certificates: **Lyra**.

Stars of the Week

In Class: Curious Clouds: **Ruan** for being a superstar; Rivers: **Molly** for revealing wonderful independence and confidence; Luxulyan Valley: **Jack P** for marvellous literacy work; Deltas: **Daisy** for a superb attitude to learning; Tectonics: **Harrison** for a super amazing attitude to his work, homework and reading. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Jude** for amazing listening and climbing; KS2: **Poppy** for brilliant leadership during the football festival. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Josh J** for fantastic singing in nativity practice; KS2: **Ollie** for fabulous singing during Luxulyan Valley's Outcome.

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 **Billy** (Breakfast Club), **Stephen, Mia, Oscar** and **Poppy** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

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

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 4th December

Tuesday 5th December: Curious Clouds Christmas Craft Coffee Morning, 8.45 - 9.45am

Wednesday 6th December: Year 6 continuing swimming session, pm. **A reminder that pick up is LATER, @ 4pm from the playing field;** Penwith High Performance Programme, 2-3pm; KS2 Festival of Carols @ Marazion Methodist Church, 6pm.

Friday 8th December: Marazion Christmas Lights Switch On, children singing @ 6.30pm / lights switch on at 7.30pm.