



MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Because these things will change. Taylor Swift

Dear Parents,

We are nearly at the end of the first half term of this school year...already! Next half term, children and staff are organising autumn fundraising events. Franklin are serving Bonfire hot dogs on Tuesday 5th November on the playground; Mercury are organising *Cauliflower Cards* goodies; Mitchell are working with Asda in Hayle as part of their cash pot project and Moana's nativity performances will include Christmas themed cheesecake as refreshments. Marazion School is also hosting Lantern Making Workshops in November - see below. Lots to look forward to - we will see you after half term. Have a lovely break 😊

Tempest Photos

Please remember that if you would like your tempest photographs delivered free to school before Christmas then you need to order by Wednesday 6th November. Thanks.

Staffing Update - Autumn 2 2024

A reminder that Mrs Stedmon is taking maternity leave from Monday 4th November. We wish Abbie all the best for her very lovely next adventure.

Class teachers (CTs) and learning support (LS) for autumn 2: **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

Marazion School Parent Governor Vacancy

Please note that we have received more than 1 application for the role of Parent Governor at Marazion School. A reminder that the deadline for nominations is Monday 4th November.

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. 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**.

Marazion Clubs - autumn 2

After half term KS1 (Year 1 and 2) Recorders, which is normally after school on a Wednesday, is moving to Wednesday lunchtimes. Mr Case is now leading a KS1 (Year 1 and 2) LEGO Club on a Wednesday after school from 6th November. If you would like your child to attend LEGO Club, then please let the School Office know. We will send out a text to Year 1 and 2 parents as a reminder. Please also note that the **second** group of Flight Club starts the first week after half term on Thursday 7th November.

Cauliflower Christmas Cards

Thank you to everyone who has already placed their orders for cards, wrapping paper, notebooks or mugs. Please remember that all forms need to come back to school on **Monday 4th November** so we can send the art work to the company to make your orders. Ordering will be open all of half term, so there is plenty of time to purchase something if you haven't already 😊 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.

Lantern Making Workshops - Thursday 21st November.

Marazion School is hosting Lantern Making Workshops for parents/grandparents and friends of Marazion School on Thursday 21st November. Please contact Tamsyn or Ed in the School Office to book your place - workshops are running after drop off and before pick up times. The workshops are free and all materials are provided. As part of the Christmas celebrations in Marazion, you, your lantern and all family and friends are invited to join the 'Marazion Parade of Lights' that will lead from St Michaels Mount to the Christmas Tree Big Switch On, on Friday 6th of December, at 6pm. You are invited to arrive at the Mount at 3.15pm for free hot chocolate and gather before crossing over into town, where you will be met with more free goodies and storytelling. After this, you are welcome to join in with the carols and usual festivities that happen in town. There will be Christmas Markets, live music, Christmas trees, wreaths and lots of fun for the whole community.

Children in Need - Friday 15th November

On Friday 15th November we will be raising money for Children in Need to help 'make life a little lighter for children'. This year, the theme is to 'Challenge Yourself'. We are asking children to challenge themselves by taking on a challenging assault course on the school field, maybe wearing something spotty or a super hero outfit. A suggested donation of £1 will be greatly appreciated to support this fantastic charity.

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. **Franklin** are hosting the RR during the first week back. **School Visits/Events:** When we get back after half term, **Moana** are going on a Scarecrow Trail; some children from Mitchell are visiting a local care home as our 2024 Harvest Festival; the School Nursing Team are administering nasal flu vaccinations in school and **Barnardo's** are working with Mitchell, delivering healthy relationships training. 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: As half term is next week, here is another reminder about how to balance screen time. We have been trying to have more offline time recently. 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.

PE and School Sport

PE Days: For next half term, PE Days for each class are as follows - **note changes:** **Moana** (Year R/1): Thursday; **Franklin:** Year 2 is Monday and Thursday / Year 3 is Monday and Wednesday; **Mercury** (Year 4/5): Wednesday and **Thursday;** **Mitchell** (Year 5/6): **Monday** and Friday. **Fixtures and Events:** There are no sporting events on the first week back after half term. **Swimming Sessions:** Year 5 and Continuing Swimmers are swimming next 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:** After half term, Mitchell have gym sessions at Penzance Gym on Monday afternoons. Children need to wear a t-shirt that has no buttons to the gym. Thanks. **Optional PE Homework:** For October, we are asking you to go on an autumn walk and notice your favourite local plants, spaces and places.

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, we want to say thank you to Mrs Stedmon for being a super Superstar.** 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: **Wesley, Kaiden, Autumn, Lani, Ilaria, Lowen, Anya, Arthur, Nathan, Tiga, Florence C and Nhovi.**

Stars of the Week

In Class: Moana: **Erin** for being wonderfully enthusiastic in her learning. Franklin: **Hope** for fabulous knowledge and engagement during Funky Forest Friday; Mercury: **Orla** for having an amazing attitude to learning; Mitchell: **Anna** for being wonderfully fabulous in all she does. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Solomon** for wonderful skills in sport sessions. KS2: **Bayley** for fantastic rugby skills. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Beau** for beautiful singing in Singing Assembly. KS2: **Lyra G** for excellent note reading.

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 **Aurora** (Breakfast Club) **Winter, Florence W, Stephen** and **Ollie** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

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

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 4th November

Friday 25th October (tomorrow): Inset Day

Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November: Half Term

Monday 4th November: Back to school; Mitchell @ Penzance Gym, pm.

Tuesday 5th November: Nasal Flu Vaccinations (YR-Y6) in school

Wednesday 6th November: Year 5 and Continuing Swimmers swimming session, pm. **A reminder that pick up is LATER, @ 4pm from the playing field**