



MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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*Let me give love, receive love and be nothing
but love.* Kae Tempest

Dear Parents,

We are now including any relevant safeguarding awareness information for parents in our weekly newsletters. Last week there were details of a *Football Association* safeguarding course for parents. The course is designed to help parents make informed choices about the football settings where they enrol their children, helping parents recognise best practice and see where there may be concerns, so that they can report them quickly and effectively. This week we have a focus on online safety as children start the new year with new devices that they have received as Christmas gifts (see below).

Marazion Christmas Fundraising

Thank you to everyone that came along and supported our Christmas Fair and events over the festive period. We received amazing prizes for the raffle; wonderful donations to the tombola; stalls brimming with beautiful gifts and plenty of pennies were spent. We raised a massive £856.17 - what a HUGE success! If you are having a new year clear out and would like to donate items to school, they would be gratefully received for our next fundraising event in spring to celebrate King Charles III's Coronation in May. A reminder also that Year 6 are doing their own fundraising on every last Friday of the month...starting on Friday 27th January with winter hot chocolates for sale after school from 3pm.

Marazion Clubs - Spring Term

Marazion Clubs start NEXT Monday 16th January - clubs are open to children in Year 1 to Year 6. After School Marazion Clubs run from 3-3.45pm, except for Rock Band, which runs from 3-4.30pm. Please note that *Dodgeball* club is oversubscribed so will run for 2 groups of children over 5 weeks.

2023 Year 6 London Residential Visit: Tuesday 14th to Friday 18th March

In 2023 we are capping the cost of the London Residential visit at £250. Children in Year 6 are fundraising to raise money to cover the difference of any higher cost for every child (see above). There is a subsidy for pupil premium children - please speak to Laura or Ed in the School Office for further information. A reminder that you can start to pay in instalments from now - ask Laura or Ed for a payment card. The total cost must be paid by Friday 10th March. Thanks.

NEW for 2023 - 52 Acts of Kindness, 50 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. What all these acts of kindness have in common is that they will make us feel good: research shows that being kind makes us happier. So, we can help others and feel better all at once. Kindness is also FREE. This week Year 6 have given us an idea for a week two kindness: give someone a hug or, if they prefer, a high five 😊



Help generate funds for the school by doing your shopping through 'The Giving Machine'
- register today at <http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/>



In/Out of School

Marazion School Reading Room (RR): Children can choose to come into school and read for pleasure from 8.30-8.45am every day. Notting Hill are hosting the sessions next week. **Marazion School Uniform:** Children need to wear school uniform/PE uniform Monday to Thursday. Our school uniform is a white t-shirt/polo shirt/shirt with dark (grey/black) joggers/trousers/shorts /skirts/pinafores with a school jumper/cardigan. Our PE uniform is similar - white t-shirt with dark joggers/shorts and warmer layers for autumn/winter PE Days. Children also need to wear black comfortable shoes/trainers for PE Days. **Forest Fridays (FFs):** Adults and children wear comfortable clothes that they do not mind getting dirty on Fridays. **These clothes must also be suitable for working outside.** **School Visits:** A reminder that school visit information is now sent to parents by email from their child's class teacher. Stonewall have their launch of this term's learning next week as well as a visit to All Saint's church in Marazion.

Safeguarding Awareness - Child Safety and the Metaverse

Christmas presents have been exchanged and a new year has begun. Many children will have been given devices which allow both unrestricted access to the internet and expose children to voice chat, text chat and photo sharing with complete strangers. This year presents an acceleration of this vulnerability window as VR headsets, connected to *Facebook's Metaverse*, have been released on to the marketplace. The *Metaverse* seeks to link users to the internet as a Virtual Entity through the use of Virtual Reality Headsets. This amplifies the danger children are exposed to online. To help you understand this new, fast changing issue the NSPCC has published a guide to both the Metaverse and VR headsets. To find out more please follow the link below:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/about-us/news-opinion/2022/christmas-vr-safety-advice-for-parents-metaverse/>

PE and School Sport

Spring PE Days: **Bristol Bus** (Year R/1): Thursday; **Notting Hill** (Year 1/2): Monday and Thursday; **Invictus** (Year 3/4): Tuesday and Thursday; **Clement's Inn** (Year 5): Monday and Wednesday; **Stonewall** (Year 6): Monday and Wednesday. **Fixtures and Events:** Team training for girls and boys in KS2 continues in school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. There are no fixtures or events next week. **Swimming Sessions:** Continuing swimmers in Year 5 and 6 as well as some children in Year 4 are swimming next week - you will receive a text if your child is swimming. There is a LATER pick up @ 4pm for these children. Pupils need swimming kit (black costume or 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:** Children in Clement's Inn are at Penzance Gym on Mondays this half term. Please can children come to school in their PE kit on Mondays. A reminder that all children need to wear a t-shirt that has no buttons to the gym. Thanks. **Optional PE Homework:** For January PE Homework, we would like you to create a poster/card/ picture to celebrate the life and achievements of former Brazilian Footballer, Pele, who sadly died over the Christmas holidays.

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 we want to thank all conservationists who work hard to protect endangered animals.** We all clapped together as a whole school to support this during today's Celebration Assembly.

Stars of the Week

In Class: Bristol Bus: **Jude** for beautifully creative art work; Notting Hill: **Lowen** for super maturity in his learning and for fantastic progress in reading; Invictus: **Fleur** for spectacular writing skills; Clement's Inn: **Isla Rose** for being a wonderful role model; Stonewall: **Jay J** for being kind, helpful and hardworking. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Bayley** for fantastic and fabulous climbing skills; KS2: **Stephen** for outstanding rugby skills. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Billy** for being an amazing role model in music sessions; KS2: **Simi** for super star singing.

Certificate Awards

There are no certificates to award this week - there will be more soon.

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 **Olivia** (Breakfast Club) **Bayley, Hazel, Sam** and **Oscar** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Elayah** and **Niamh** who celebrated their birthday this week. Many Happy Returns to you both 😊

Dates for the Diary w/c 16th January 2023

School Visits/Events: Stonewall launch their spring term learning; Stonewall visit All Saint's Church in Marazion

Monday 16th January: Clement's Inn @ Penzance Gym, pm

Wednesday 18th January: Swimming session Year 4/5/6, pm: **LATER pick up @ 4pm**

Friday 20th January: Forest Friday