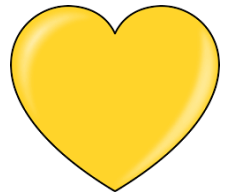




# MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## **Expect respect.**

Dear Parents,

Enormous thanks to all of you who came to support Marazion School Christmas Fair last Friday by helping us to set up/pack away; running a stall; buying raffle tickets; browsing the stalls for Christmas gifts. We raised an AMAZING £1200! Fundraising money at Marazion School supports a range of projects and has recently included providing a subsidy for children going on KS2 residential visits; covering the cost of coach travel for children to make sure that school visits can go ahead as planned and the cost of making a Lego table for children in Lego League. These funds provide equipment and resources to support teaching and learning across the school and provision for a broad and balanced curriculum. This includes enrichment of the curriculum that are over and above the resourcing levels that can be provided by the delegated budget as well as purchasing thank you gifts for visitors/staff who have gone above and beyond in their commitment and time given to school.

### **2024 Year 6 Residential Visit London deposit**

Please note that a non-refundable deposit of £25 is due now for the 2024 London residential visit. Daily text reminders will be sent from next Monday. Thanks.

### **2023 Marazion School Christmassy Dates**

**Reception/KS1 Nativity - *I'm Gonna Shine***: children in Reception and KS1 perform this year's nativity in the school hall next Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> 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 NOW.

**Christmas themed fancy-dress Silent Disco (SD)**: get out your most festive attire and join us for a seasonal silent disco on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December from 5.30-7pm. SD tickets are FREE for children at Marazion School. You can buy adult tickets for £2 and tickets for younger children are £1. Tickets are on sale NOW. Please note that hair tinsels will be available on the night for £2 and chocolate lollies for sale for 20p each.

### **2023 Marazion Lights Switch On - TOMORROW Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

Some KS2 children from Marazion School are performing Christmas songs tomorrow from 6.40pm, as part of this year's lights switch on in the town. 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 13<sup>th</sup> 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. Everyone is invited to the service at All Saints Marazion next Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6pm, to come together and retell the story of the nativity.

### 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 😊

### 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.**

### Reception Vision Screening

Nurses are coming to Marazion School **next week**, 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

**After School Clubs:** A reminder that after school clubs finish tomorrow, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. Marazion spring clubs will start on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January. **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. **Curious Clouds** are hosting reading sessions next week. **School Events:** Next week Reception children are having a vision screening; children and staff are having Christmas Lunch and there is the Christmas Silent Disco (see above).

### 52 Acts of Kindness, 3 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 49, Luxulyan Valley** have an idea for this week's act of kindness: send a Christmas card to someone in your community.

## Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

Online Cybersecurity - A reminder about The *Meeting Digital and Technology Standards in Schools and Colleges* document, which 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:** There are no fixtures or events next week. **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 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, Luxulyan Valley want to say thank you to the Marazion Christmas Community for all they do, for example allowing us to use the churches, the Greenwood Penny appeal and the Christmas Lights Switch On.** 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: **Jude, Beau, Kyron, Hugh, Nancie, Josh S, Amy-Rose, Chloe, Jasna, Jonboy, Kaya and Theo.**

## Stars of the Week

**In Class:** Curious Clouds: **Solomon** for revealing confidence and being a wonderful member of Curious Clouds; Rivers: **Josh** for being super brilliant; Luxulyan Valley: **Tali** for superb Coding; Deltas: **Lilly** for amazing enthusiasm for and commitment to the Festival of Carols; Tectonics: **Poppy** for always going the extra mile and being fabulous in the 12 days of Christmas. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Lowen** for fabulous yoga skills; KS2: **Esme** for being excellent in tag rugby and the high performance programme. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Lani** for lovely singing in nativity practice; KS2: **Theo** for fantastic singing at church this week.

## 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 **Ruby S** (Breakfast Club), **Sammy, Ruan, Bella** and **Neva** (Lunchtime).

## Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to *Lani* who celebrated her birthday this week. Many Happy Returns to you 😊

## Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** KS1 Nativity "I'm Gonna Shine" - matinee @ 1.45pm and evening performance @ 5pm

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December:** Christmas Lunch (children and staff); Year 6 continuing swimming session, pm. **Reminder that pick up is LATER, @ 4pm from the playing field.**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December:** 5.30-7pm Christmas Silent Disco.