



# MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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*Deeds not words.* Moto of Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU)

Dear Parents,

We have had super sunny weather for the last week of this half term so we have attached our Sun Protection Policy electronically to this newsletter. Please can you review it. Please note that ideally children should have access to their own *named* sunhat in school during the spring and summer months and a wide-brimmed hat that covers the face, neck and ears. Children are encouraged to apply sunscreen before school starts with a UVA protection of 4 stars or above and sun protection factor (SPF) of at least 30. Children are encouraged to bring in sun cream for application at lunchtime and school visits. Please also note that staff will apply sunscreen to children as and when is necessary. This includes both in school **and** on school visits. Parents must inform the school if they do not want a staff member to apply sunscreen. Also attached to this newsletter is the summer 2023 Governor News. Both documents can also be found on the school website.

## Marazion School 2023 Summer Production

Children and staff in KS2 have already started the first rehearsals for the 2023 Marazion Summer Production. Grace Murdoch is working with us once again to support the organisation and management of the production, with a particular focus on dance. We will perform the show in the afternoon and evening at the Acorn Theatre in Penzance on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July. Details about times and tickets will go out after half term.

## Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

A reminder of last week's safeguarding information for parents as vaping has been a major topic in the news over the last 2 weeks. **Vaping Concerns - Welsh Senedd:** as educational professionals, particularly in the secondary school sector, you will have likely caught your older pupils smoking. It is an occurrence that has been part of teaching older pupils since time immemorial. The issues related to smoking in general, particularly on those without fully developed bodies, have been well documented. An increased vulnerability to heart-disease, cancer, dental issues etc, is an almost universally understood effect. Yet vaping is becoming a far more prevalent way for teenagers to exercise their desire to experiment with dangerous substances. Vaping devices are brightly coloured, come in multiple flavors from bubblegum to strawberry, and are packaged in a 'cool' way. All aspects highly attractive to younger age groups. There is a misconception that vaping is less dangerous, but that couldn't be further from the truth. Last year the Welsh Senedd published a report on the effects of vaping in children and teens. To read their report please follow the link below:

<https://research.senedd.wales/research-articles/vaping-in-children-and-teens-smoke-without-fire/>

## Swiss Assistant Teachership - June 2023

After half term we are welcoming Janine Abegg to Marazion School. Janine is on student placement from the University of Zurich and is working for 3 weeks as part of the class team in Invictus.



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## Hedgerow Safety

Now that the weather has been sunny the hedgerows are blossoming with all sorts of wonderful flowers. Lots of us love to pick flowers, including picking them for making potions. Please remember that our lovely Cornish hedgerows include foxgloves, which are poisonous and can make us very poorly so if touched hands must be washed. We must never pick these. Also, hogweed has white flowers, which when touched or pressed causes an oil / liquid (sap) to be released that can cause very serious burns to the skin. This sap is in the stalks and leaves rather than the flower. Please see the photos sent out electronically with this newsletter as a reminder of what foxgloves and hogweed look like.

## Bristol Bus / Notting Hill Grand Days Out

A reminder that children in BB and NH are off on a Grand Day Out in June and July. BB are going to see some sharks at Plymouth Marine Aquarium and NH are going to Newquay Zoo. There is a cost for both these visits. For BB the cost is £9.00 and NH price is to be confirmed. There is a PP subsidy available - please speak to Ed or Laura in the School Office for more information. Please note that children in Year 2 are also sleeping in school after their Grand Day Out. More information about both visits and the Year 2 Sleepover will be emailed out by class teachers.

## In/Out of School

**Marazion School Playing field:** Please note that the playing field is an area that is **OUT OF BOUNDS** for **ALL** dogs at **ALL** times. Many thanks. **Marazion School Reading Room (RR):** Children can choose to come into school and read for pleasure from 8.30-8.45am every day. Stonewall are hosting reading sessions next week. **School Events: FUNKY Forest Fridays (FFs):** We are currently trialing some changes to our afternoon KS2 Forest Friday sessions to make them more funky. Children will again work in vertical groups (Year 3 to Year 6) taking part in 6 sessions over 6 weeks. For this half term, while we organise the new Funky Forest Fridays, children are working on a D and T project, as a class group. Please note that adults and children still need to wear comfortable outdoor clothes that they do not mind getting dirty on Fridays. **School Events:** Staff and children from MBA are visiting Year 5 children during the first week back to discuss life at secondary school and NH and BB have a Mazey Day workshop. **School Visits:** During the first week back, Stonewall are hosting an Outcome, celebrating their spring learning and Bristol Bus are out taking part in an 'under the sea' workshop. Detailed information about school visits is sent to parents by email from their child's class teacher.

## PE and School Sport

**Marazion School Clubs:** A reminder that Marazion clubs continue after half term until Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Please note that the Year 6 Sailing Club starts on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June. Further information has already been sent out by Mr Groom. **Fixtures and Events:** Team training for girls and boys in KS2 continues in school on Tuesdays and Thursdays (weather dependent). During the first week back, some children in Year 3/4 are taking part in a Dodgeball event @ MBA. Letters have already gone out to those taking part. **Niamh, Nyla and Archie** are also playing for the LEAP football team in a MAT tournament. Please see below for dates and times. **Swimming Sessions:** After half term some children in Years 3, 4 and 6 are going swimming - this includes our 'continuing swimmers'. If your child is going swimming, you will receive a text message to confirm that they are swimming the day before (Tuesday). 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. **There is a LATER pick up @ 4pm for children who are swimming.** **Gym Sessions:** Notting Hill (NH) are still going to Penzance Gym on Monday afternoons after half term. Please can children in NH 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 May homework, we are asking everyone to practise Sports Day events. Have fun perfecting your sack race style; marvel at your improved egg and spoon technique; refine your running for the flat.

## NEW for 2023 - 52 Acts of Kindness, 33 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. For **Week 19**, Notting Hill have an idea for this week's act of kindness: make a special effort to take care of plants to help them grow big and strong.

## 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 Notting Hill would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to all the artists in the world who inspire us with their wonderful work.** We all clapped together as a whole school to support this during today's Celebration Assembly.

## Stars of the Week

**In Class:** Bristol Bus: **Beau** for superb curiosity; Notting Hill: **Bayley** for his super fabulous art work; Invictus: **Bella** for her fantastic and powerful writing skills; Clement's Inn: **Indy** for giving 100% to her work; Stonewall: **EVERYONE** for being absolute super stars during the last 2 weeks. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Harrison Wh** for his excellent dodgeball skills; KS2: **Vinnie** for being a cricket super star. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Otis** for being a brilliant rock pool singer; KS2: **Noah B** for leading the way in singing assembly.

## Certificate Awards

Children are awarded merits for demonstrating a great attitude to their work, friends, adults and the environment. Children who have earned 60 merit certificates: **Lyra, Fearne** and **Niamh**. Children who have earned 80 merit certificates: **Beau, Elayah, Neva, Otis, Anya, Imogen, Lowen, Maya, Sophia D, Maggie May, Robyn, Orla, Jack P, Stephen, Freya, Noah S, Oscar, Jay J** and **Logan**.

## 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 **Lowen** (Breakfast Club) **Neva, Nolan, Khianna** and **Jay J** (Lunchtime).

## Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Phoebe** and **Melodie** who celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to you both 😊

## Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June:** Half Term

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June:** Back to school

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June:** Dodge Ball tournament @ MBA, Year 3/4, am; Notting Hill @ Penzance Gym, pm

**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June:** Year 6 Sailing Club starts after school

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June:** BB and NH Mazey Day workshop; MAT football tournament, am; Swimming session Year 3, 4 & 6, pm: **LATER pick up @ 4pm**

**Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June:** Grace Murdoch in school; MBA visiting Year 5, am

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June:** Grace Murdoch in school; Forest Friday