

# MARAZION SCHOOL

## GOVERNORS' NEWSLETTER

### Spring Term 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Marazion School Governors' spring newsletter. This newsletter provides you with up to date information about the Full Governing Board (FGB), including how to contact governors and governors' recent actions.

#### 2022/2023 Marazion School Governors' Competition

For this year, the Marazion FGB remain focused on the wellbeing of our school community by creating the sensory trail/path for Marazion Woodland designed by Mabel last year. A sensory trail or path has a series of experiences to engage the different senses. Jumping, spinning, stomping, clapping, being still and quiet are a just a few of the many activities that can be included in a sensory trail or path. The trail/path is for both adults and children - a beautiful space and place to have an adventure and/or just be.

#### Marazion School Governing Body

**Chair of Governors:** Caroline Peers; **Vice Chair of Governors:** Annia McNeill; **LA Governor:** Derek Laity; **Foundation Governors:** Jim Allen; Delyth James; **Co-opted Governors:** Caroline Peers; Canon Nigel Marns; **Vacancy;** **Parent Governors:** Stuart Firth; Annia McNeill; **Staff Governors:** Jenny Rainbow; Tanya Tredinnick. The FGB currently has 9 members (including the Headteacher). Please note that here is a vacancy for a Co-opted Governor - please contact the School Office if you require further information.

#### Marazion School Cohort Governors (CG)

We have Cohort Governors for each year group and these governors stay with the year group as they move through the school. **CGs for 2022-23:** Tanya Tredinnick, **Year R;** Caroline Peers, **Year 1;** Derek Laity, **Year 2;** Del James **Year 3;** Annia McNeill, **Year 4;** Jim Allen, **Year 5;** Canon Nigel Marns, **Year 6.**

#### Marazion School Governors' Committee Structure

Marazion FGB has the following committees: **The Quality of Education Committee** (Caroline Peers is the Chair). This committee has a focus on standards; curriculum; quality of teaching; personal development as well as learning and work scrutiny; **Finance and First Committee** (Delyth James is the Chair); **Behaviour and Safety Committee** (Tanya Tredinnick is the Chair) and **Pay Committee** (Jim Allen is the Chair). Please note that governors also meet as a Full Governing Body every half term. Governor monitoring is now carried out remotely or face to face.

## Ways To Get In Touch

If you wish to get in touch with any of our governors, there are several ways to do this: contact Ed or Laura in the office and they can get a governor to phone you back and/or arrange a meeting with a governor; email Caroline Peers, our Chair of Governors at [chair@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:chair@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk); our Parent Governors, Stuart Firth and Annia McNeill can also be contacted via the School Office. Please note that governors are now working with school remotely so it is possible to meet with governors via Zoom or Teams as well as face to face.

## Partnership Working

Currently Marazion School is working with: Penwith Education Trust (PET); Leading Edge Academy partnership (LEAP); Marazion and Ludgvan Oasis Childcare Centres; Cornwall Association of Primary Headteachers (CAPH); Youth Sports Trust (YST); Penwith PE Network (PPEN); Wave Behaviour Support Service; Devon and Cornwall Maths Hub; Cornwall Standards Board.

## What Have Governors Done Recently?

Our Governing Body is committed to and passionate about providing the very best education for pupils at Marazion School. They both support and challenge the school, holding senior leaders to account. Recently the governors have:

- Continued to deal with a range of post pandemic issues in school
- Continued to manage a high level of staff absence/child absence
- Continued to work remotely where it is more effective and efficient
- Consulted with a range of local academy trusts
- Become an associate partner with Leading Edge Academy Trust (LEAP)
- Led/supported both staff and parent consultations linked to joining LEAP
- Managed the possibility of strike action by teaching staff
- Continued to have the option of Chair and Headteacher Meetings with delegated powers in order to manage some 'business as usual' if required
- Reviewed school policies and recommended them to Full Governing Board (FGB) for approval
- Attended training: *chair training; governor induction; 'Culture of Care' training; KCSIE 2022 safeguarding training, including a focus on governance; 'Barnardo's' Healthy Relationships training; 'Prader Willi' training*
- Attended Penwith Education Trust Board Meetings via Zoom
- Carried out governor monitoring visits remotely and/or face to face
- Involved in the organisation and management of the development of the Marazion School site, working with a range of other agencies.

## Dates in the Diary: governors' meetings - spring term 2023

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January:** Full Governors' Board Meeting, 5.30pm via Zoom

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February:** Finance and First Meeting, 5.30pm via Zoom

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March:** Quality of Education Committee, 4.15pm via Zoom

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March:** Full Governors' Meeting, 5.30pm - face to face in school