



MARAZION SCHOOL

GOVERNORS' NEWSLETTER

Autumn Term 2023

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to a new school year. This newsletter provides you with up to date information about the Full Governing Board (FGB), including how to contact governors and governors' recent actions.

Marazion School Governing Body

Chair of Governors: Mrs Caroline Peers; **Vice Chair of Governors:** Mrs Annia McNeill; **LA Governor:** Mr Derek Laity; **Foundation Governors:** Jim Allen and Delyth James; **Co-opted Governors:** Canon Nigel Marns; **Parent Governor:** Mr Stuart Firth; Mrs Annia McNeill
Staff Governors: Jenny Rainbow and Tanya Tredinnick. The FGB has 10 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 2023-24:** Canon Nigel Marns, **Year R;** Tanya Tredinnick, **Year 1;** Caroline Peers, **Year 2;** Derek Laity **Year 3;** Del James, **Year 4;** Annia McNeill, **Year 5;** Jim Allen, **Year 6.**

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 Tamsyn in the office and they can get a governor to phone you back; email Caroline Peers, our Chair of Governors at chair@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk; talk to our Parent Governors, Stuart Firth and Annia McNeill at drop off or pick up times. Please note that governors are working with school with a mix of remotely via, Zoom or Teams, and face to face for both governors' meetings and school visits. You are also able to make an appointment to talk to governors via Zoom/Teams - Ed or Tamsyn can organise this for you.

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 Board every half term.

Partnership Working

Currently Marazion School is working with: Penwith Education Trust (PET); Leading Edge Partnership Trust (LEAP); Marazion and Ludgvan Oasis Childcare Centres; Cornwall Association of Primary Headteachers (CAPH); Youth Sports Trust (YST); Penwith PE Network (PPN); Devon and Cornwall Maths Hub; One Cornwall; Kernow Learning.

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 manage post pandemic issues in school
- Continued to work remotely where it is more effective and efficient
- Continued to work as an associate partner with Leading Edge Academy Trust (LEAP)
- Continued to discuss the current funding crisis in schools
- Managed industrial action by teaching staff, including quality assuring risk assessments for the partial opening of Marazion School
- Reviewed school policies and recommended them to Full Governing Board (FGB) for approval
- Reviewed and managed submission of 2023 safeguarding document S175/157
- Attended training: *summer safeguarding update; KCSIE 2023 update*
- Carried out governor monitoring visits remotely and/or face to face
- Organised and managed the installation of solar panels
- Managed a Section 5 Ofsted Inspection of Marazion School in July 2023.

Dates in the Diary: governors' meetings - autumn term 2023

Wednesday 13th September (via Zoom): Pay Committee, 5.30pm

Wednesday 20th September (face to face): Full Governors' Board Meeting, 5.30pm

Wednesday 11th October (via Zoom): Finance and First Meeting, 5.30pm

Wednesday 15th November (via Zoom): Quality of Education Committee, 9.30am

Wednesday 22nd November (via Zoom): Full Governors' Board Meeting, 5.30pm

Wednesday 6th December (via Zoom): Behaviour and Safety, 5.30pm