



# MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## **Expect respect.**

Dear Parents,

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 😊

### **Children in Need (CIN) 2023 - TOMORROW Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

Tomorrow, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November, children can come to school and be SPOTACULAR! Please bring £1 donation and wear your best spots. Raffle tickets are already on sale for £1 for a chance to win a Pudsey Teddy, thank you. All funds are for 2023 CIN.

### **Autumn Open Afternoon/Reception 2024 Open Day - NEXT Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November**

Our autumn open afternoon is next Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November from 2.30-3.30pm. Please come into school to share, review and celebrate your child's learning and to spend some time in the classroom. **Is your child starting school in September 2024?** If so, you and your child can come along earlier on the same day, Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, from 1.15pm. You can meet staff, enjoy a cosy campfire, make Christmas wreaths as well as have a tour of the school. We look forward to seeing you then.

### **Marazion School Christmas Fair - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2-5pm**

Marazion School Christmas Fair is on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December from 2-5pm. All are invited - please make sure that you let your friends and family know the date too. We have sent raffle tickets home so if you'd like to purchase them please send the filled-out tickets and money back into the office. Thank you. We are also looking for donations for our tombola and raffle. Also, if you know a local business that would like to donate a prize for a raffle, it would be greatly received. All donations can be handed in to the school office. Thank you very much in advance. **Please also let us know if you can volunteer to help us out on the day of the fair: setting up; running a stall; helping to serve refreshments; tidying away??** It would be very much appreciated. Please let the School Office know if you can help in any way. Thanks.

### **Marazion School Uniform Swap Shop**

A reminder that our school Uniform Swap Shop has again been restocked with winter uniform and clothes. Please make sure that you find time to pop into school and have a look. The swap shop is in foyer area.

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

A reminder that a non-refundable deposit of £25 must be paid by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December for the 2024 London residential visit - this secures your child's place on this visit. Thanks.

## 2024 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.

## Anti-social Behaviours in Marazion Town

In recent weeks there has been an increase in anti-social behaviours in Marazion resulting in offensive graffiti, windows being smashed, the riding of mini motorbikes without helmets and lights on through Marazion, motorbikes reported causing a nuisance in a local field. So please if incidences are reported to you, or someone you know tells you about an anti-social behaviour incident, please can you report them via 101 or via the online reporting tool through this link:

<https://www.devon-cornwall.police.uk/reportcrime>

We are so much stronger as one voice.

## The National Measurement Programme

The School Nursing Team are in school during this half term to check height and weight of the Reception and Y6 children. More information and opt out options are on the links below for each year group.

<https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/child-health-programme-reception-year/>

<https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/child-health-programme-year-6/>

## Autumn 2023 Themes

This half term, the theme for assemblies and circle time is **What's it Worth?** Children are thinking about how wealth is distributed locally and globally and discussing how the world can work together to help each other, including reflecting on the power of teamwork and creative enterprise. We are using some *Disney* characters to explore how we use money; the books of *Peter H Reynolds* to promote creative enterprise and focusing on how our own creative ideas can help change in the world. The precept for autumn 2 is at the top of this newsletter.

## In/Out of School

**After School Clubs:** Please note that after school clubs are cancelled on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November as we have the autumn open afternoon from 2.30-3.30pm. **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. **Luxulyan Valley** are hosting reading sessions next week. **School Events:** On Tuesday, **Deltas** are having an Art Day with *St Piran's Artists* from Goldsithney. The artwork will be displayed in the 'Winter Festival Exhibition' held at St Piran's Hall (date to be confirmed).

**Please could children wear their own clothes that might get a bit messy.** Thursday is No Pens Day (NPD) - a day when we have a focus on speaking and listening - as well as our autumn Open Afternoon and Reception 2024 Open Day (see above for more details).

## 52 Acts of Kindness, 6 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. Kindness is FREE. For **Week 46**, **Curious Clouds** have an idea for this week's act of kindness: send someone a handwritten note to tell them why you love them.

## Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

**How OFSTED Inspects Safeguarding:** During recent training around how Ofsted inspect safeguarding, inspectors were clear that schools are only a part of the system that is in place to keep children safe and that 'schools cannot be everything to everyone.' For example, they recognise that school leaders are not trained social workers. Ofsted are clear that they have no intention of trying to 'catch schools out on technicalities'. Ofsted does not expect anything from schools beyond that which is set out in 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' (KCSIE) documents and their school policies and protocols. Ofsted are very much looking for a culture of safeguarding - they 'expect all schools to have an open and positive culture around safeguarding that put pupils' interests first'. Inspectors will use a range of evidence to evaluate the effectiveness of safeguarding arrangements. Ofsted say that an important aspect of inspection and safeguarding is to be assured that the school is 'reflective and receptive to challenge' and that staff understand that safeguarding is an 'ongoing endeavour'.

## 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:** Next week some children in Years 4-6 are taking part in a Boys' Football Festival and some Year 5 and 6 children are attending a Tag Rugby event. Letters for both were sent out yesterday. Please see below for dates and times. **Swimming Sessions:** Some Year 6 pupils will continue 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 November, we are asking you to dance like no one is watching to some happy tunes.

## 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, Curious Clouds want to say thank you for health, family and friends.** 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: *Avie-Jane, Erin, Kaiden, Harrison C, Piran, Wesley, Hugo, Neva, Toby, Lilly-May WM, Lola B, Otis, Aoefe, George, Hope, Ilaria, Imogen, Sophia, Billy, Fleur, Ollie, Skye, Harry, Indy, Isla-Rose, Jack J, Khianna, Lilla, Fearne, Daisy, Esme and Nhovi.*

## Stars of the Week

**In Class:** Curious Clouds: *Harrison* for super work in phonics and handwriting; Rivers: *Hope* for being so kind and helpful; Luxulyan Valley: *Billy* for his excellent attitude to learning and reading; Deltas: *Locryn* for always bringing fun and creativity to his learning; Tectonics: *Sam* for wonderful resilience in literacy. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: *Bayley* for superb wall bar climbing; KS2: *Willow* for fantastic skills in tag rugby. **Music:** YR/KS1: *George* for brilliant listening and for playing his first ukulele chords; KS2: *Chloe* for fabulous rhythm in Rock Band and singing assembly.

### 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 **Teagan** (Breakfast Club), **Jude, Harrison W, Jack J** and **Rosenwyn** (Lunchtime).

### Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Josh S** and **Jonboy** who both celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to both of you 😊

### Christmassy Dates

A reminder of some festive dates for the diary: Marazion Christmas Fair is on 1<sup>st</sup> December; Curious Clouds are hosting a Christmas Craft Fair on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December - all are invited; the KS2 festival of Carols takes place on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December; children in Reception and KS1 perform this year's nativity on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December and there is a fancy-dress Christmas Silent Disco on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November:** Deltas' Art Day **please can children wear their own clothes that might get messy**

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November:** Year 6 continuing swimming session, pm. **A reminder that pick up is LATER, @ 4pm from the playing field;** Years 4/5/6 Boys' Football Festival @ MBA, 3.30-5pm

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November:** Autumn No Pens Day; Reception 2024 Open Day from 1.15pm; Autumn Open Afternoon (all classes) 2.30-3.30pm; Year 5/6 Tag Rugby event @ MBA, 1-3pm; **NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**