

MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 17th October 2025

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Dear Parents,

As we come to the end of this half term, we'd like to thank you for your continued support and involvement in school life. The school has been filled with *living*, *learning*, and *laughing*! This week alone, I've listened to enthusiastic retellings of *We're Going on a Pumpkin Hunt*, caught the smell of delicious biscuits baking, discovered imaginative potions created to inspire writing, and seen spooky webs adorning the phone box. We hope everyone enjoys a well-deserved break — take some time to rest and recharge, and we look forward to welcoming the children back, refreshed and ready for the new half term, on **Tuesday 4th November**.

The National Measurement Programme- Tuesday 11th November

On Tuesday 11th November, the School Nursing Team are in school 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:

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https://www.healthycornwall.org.uk/make-a-change/2025-child-health-programme-year-6/

If you wish to opt out this needs to be done 5 days before their visit.

Classroom Moves

During the first week back after half term, we will be making some changes to our classroom structure to ensure that the spaces are better suited to the size and needs of the children. Y5/6 (Technical Tetrahedrons) and Y2 (Maths Magicians) will be swapping classrooms, meaning they will now be located at the opposite ends of the school from where they were previously.

This change will affect our morning line-up and end-of-day dismissal routines. The children will practise these new arrangements with their class teacher so they know exactly where to go. Staff will also be on hand to support and direct children to ensure the transition runs as smoothly as possible.

<u>Barnardo's - Believe in Childr</u>en

Barnardo's are coming into school after half term to work with Y2 and Y6. They will be delivering a Healthy Relationships Programme which will provide age-appropriate messages to children. Letters with more information for each age group will be sent out by class teachers.

Marazion Phone Box with Tetrahedrons

Children in Tetrahedrons have been working on a project for the Marazion Phone Box called a random act of kindness. They are decorating it for Halloween and, to make peoples day better and stop antisocial behaviour, giving away school made spider webs! Go check it out and we hope you enjoy your spooktacular activity!

Breakfast Club Survey

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete our Breakfast Club survey. With rising costs, we need to ensure the club continues to cover its running expenses while still providing children with a great start to the day, so your feedback is very valuable.

- It was wonderful to read that many of you feel the club offers a safe and welcoming environment for your child.
- Your suggestion of an online booking system is really helpful, and we'll be looking into setting this up. The option to pay by card or BACS should also be available soon.
- We appreciate your ideas for new activities, and we'll be adding a selection of games for the children to enjoy.
- Many of you asked for healthier options and more variety at breakfast time, including more savoury choices. We'll be reviewing our current menu and will share an update once the new options are ready
- Several of you also mentioned that you'd be happy to pay a slightly higher price if more variety were offered.

Coastal Crew and Eco Council

In assembly we have been discussing the exciting opportunity to be part of these two councils:

Crofty Coastal Crew: The Crew work to raise awareness in our schools of our amazing coastline, how to stay safe in and around the sea and the wildlife that lives in the water. They also investigate the different career opportunities that there are living and working by the sea.

Crofty Eco Council: Our Trust Eco-Council works within the framework of the 8 United Nations Sustainability Heroes to pledge action that will result in increasing sustainable approaches both within and outside the school day. Their ongoing interactions with a range of external agencies not only enriches their education and understanding of the current climate crisis and possible responses but also provides opportunities for them to consider green career pathways.

Your Key Stage 2 child may be bringing home an application form to complete to fill one of these positions. Unfortunately, not everyone will be able to be chosen but everyone has the option to apply and we will let you know who has been selected after half term.

Bitesize Parenting

Bitesize parenting workshops are weekly 1 to 2 hour sessions delivered by the parenting team. Sessions range from topics about 'Remaining Clam' to 'Routines' and 'Boundaries'. Please follow the link to find out more information about the topics and to book on any courses. Bitesize Workshops » Cornwall Council

PE and School Sport/Clubs

PE Days - please come to school in PE kit:

Counting Crew (R/Y1): Tuesday

Maths Magicians (Y2): Wednesday

Tessellations (Y3/4): Wednesday and Friday

Tetrahedrons (Y5/6): Wednesday (please wear a t shirt without buttons for gym at Penzance Gymnastics) and Thursday

Gym and Swimming Sessions: All Y5 and Y6 will be going to Penzance Gym on Wednesdays this half term. Some Y6, some Y5 and all Y4 children are swimming this half term. There is a LATER pick up after swimming, which is 4pm from the main playground gate for Y4 and Y5 pupils and Y6 will self-dismiss to their usual end of day location. £1 contribution towards the cost of the sessions.

In/Out of School

School Visits/Events: After the 2 week half term, we are back in school on Tuesday 4^{th} November. Reception and Y1 children fluoride varnish application; Y2 have an oral health talk and Barnardo's are in school with Y6. A reminder that more information about visits and events is sent out by class teachers/group leaders.

Stars of the Week

Counting Crew: Ella for brilliant phonics

Maths Magicians: Nancie for fantastic literacy

Tessellations: Ilaria for outstanding literacy and always working hard

Technical Tetrahedrons: Josh for brilliant perseverance and overcoming fears at swimming

KS1 sports star: **Ruby** for great participation in sports afternoon

KS2 sports star: Willow for her amazing leadership skills

Good Manners @ Breakfast Club and Lunch Time

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 **Jackson** (Breakfast Club) **Chester**, **Ezra**, **Bayley** and **Maggie** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

Happy Belated Birthday to *Autumn* and *George* for last week. Happy Birthday to *Ruan, Ezra* and *Kit* who are celebrating their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to you all

Christmas Carol Concert Change of Date

Please note our Christmas Carol Concert will now be taking place in the evening on Tuesday 9^{th} December instead of the previously sent out date.

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 3rd November

Monday 20th - Friday 24th October: INSET week

Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October: Half Term

Monday 3rd November: INSET Day
Tuesday 4th November: Back to school

Wednesday 5th November: Fluoride varnish application (Reception & Y1); oral health talk (Y2); Tetrahedrons @ Penzance gym, am; some Y6, some Y5 and all Y4 swimming session, pm - LATER pick

up @ 4pm from the main playground gate

Friday 7th November: Bernardo's in school (Y6)