



MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Be light givers. Angela Browne

Dear Parents,

A reminder that we include a safeguarding update for parents in the school newsletter. These updates are taken from a weekly briefing we receive and offer advice, support and information about a variety of relevant safeguarding issues. The updates also alert us to anything new that we should be aware of. This week we are sharing a new updated definition of safeguarding used in the document, 'Working Together To Safeguard Children' - see below.

2024 KS2 SATS NEXT Week: Monday 13th - Thursday 16th May

A reminder that children in Year 6 have their national curriculum tests in the week commencing 13th May and are starting the day with a 'Brainy Breakfast' from 7.45am in the hall. This delicious breakfast will give all a fabulous start to the day and set everyone up for brilliant learning. Children are in the school hall / classroom for the tests.

Household Support Fund

The entitlement criteria for automatic payments from the Household Support Fund is changing. In order to be entitled to a payment from the Household Support Fund scheme in 2024, you must be responsible for at least one child and on 3rd June 2024 either:

- be entitled to Council Tax Support **OR**
- have been placed in emergency accommodation by the Council

You will receive £80 per child. If you are already in receipt of Council Tax Support, then you don't have to do anything else - you will receive your payment automatically. To find out if you are eligible for Council Tax Support, please check the information by following link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/benefits-calculators>

You can make a claim for Council Tax Support by using this link:

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/council-tax-support/apply-for-council-tax-support/>. **It is important that you submit your application by 31st May 2024.** You may also be

entitled to help from the Household Support Fund via one of the Household Support Fund partners. Their details can be found here: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/household-support-fund/>

2024 Residential Visits (RV)

A reminder that we are sending regular texts reminders about payment for residential visits - the dates when costs must be paid in full are below.

Oxford (Year 6), Tuesday 21st to Friday 24th May - Group Leader is Lewis Groom. The cost of this visit is £110, which must be paid in full by **TOMORROW Friday 10th May.**

Isles of Scilly (IOS), Monday 10th to Friday 14th June - Group Leader for IOS is Jenny Rainbow. The cost of this visit is approximately £265 (final cost to be confirmed), which must be paid in full by **Friday 24th May.** Installment cards have been available from January 2024 to support paying the cost weekly/monthly.

In/Out of School

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 Visits/Events:** Next week, **Reception** and **KS1 children** are working with the dentists from the 'Smile Project' in school to learn about how to look after their teeth. More information about visits and events is sent out by the class teachers.

Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

'Working Together to Safeguard Children' is an important safeguarding document for schools. The definition of safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in the recently updated document is below FYI. The text in bold are the most recent changes:

- **providing help and support to meet the needs of children as soon as problems emerge protecting children from maltreatment, whether that is within or outside the home, including online**
- preventing impairment of children's mental and physical health or development ensuring that children grow up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care
- **promoting the upbringing of children with their birth parents, or otherwise their family network through a kinship care arrangement, whenever possible and where this is in the best interests of the children**
- taking action to enable all children to have the best outcomes in line with the outcomes set out in the **Children's Social Care National Framework**.

PE and School Sport

PE Days: Summer 1 PE Days for each class are: Curious Clouds (Year R/1): Thursday; Rivers (Year 1/2): Tuesday and Thursday; Luxulyan Valley (Year 3/4): Wednesday and Friday; Deltas (Year 4/5): Monday and Friday; Tectonics (Year 6): Wednesday and Friday. **Fixtures and Events:** Next week, there is a Quad Kids sporting event @ MBA for some KS2 children. Letters will go out to children on Monday. Please see below for date and times. **Swimming Sessions:** From next Wednesday, continuing swimmers are going swimming on Wednesdays. Texts go out on Tuesdays to parents/carers as a reminder. **Pick up is LATER after swimming - 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. **Gym Sessions:** **Deltas** are going to Penzance Gym on Monday afternoons for this half term. Please note that children need to wear a t-shirt that has no buttons to the gym. Thanks. **Optional PE Homework:** For May, we are asking you to practise events for Sports Day, refine your running or improve your javelin throwing.

Weekly Times Tables Recall Rhyme

This week's rhymes are:

- At the doctor's, I had a long wait... 6 times 8 is 48
- The doctor said her name was Kate... 8 times 6 is 48
- Above the clouds, the bird flew... 6 times 12 is 72
- The bird had an amazing view... 12 times 6 is 72
- Zooming down, I roller-skate... 4 times 7 is 28
- Hurtling down towards the gate... 7 times 4 is 28

Say Thank You to Someone Somehow

We want to say THANK YOU to different people/organisations every week. One class (or the whole school) will choose who/what they want to say thank you to/for. **This week, Deltas want to say thank you for all our local historians who teach us about how life in Cornwall used to be.** 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 40 merit certificates: **Freya**. Children who have earned 60 merit certificates: **Aoefe, Molly, Mason, Lilla, Esme, Kelsie** and **Lilly-May T**. Children who have earned 80 merit certificates: **Lyra** and **Amy-Rose**. Children who have earned 120 merit certificates: **Nathan**.

Stars of the Week

In Class: Curious Clouds: **Hugo** for working hard at home and in school. Rivers: **Josh** for having amazing independence in learning. Luxulyan Valley: there will be 2 stars next week. Deltas: **Destiny** for having a fantastic attitude to learning. Tectonics: **Sammy** for wonderful enthusiasm for learning and being helpful. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Ilaria** for brilliant teamwork at afterschool club. KS2: **Lilla** for two amazing goals and amazing teamwork. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Kaiden** for brave singing in music time. KS2: **Jasna** for epic samba group leading.

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 **Oscar** (Breakfast Club), **Wesley, Molly, Eve** and **Stephen** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Lilly-May WM, Daisy** and **Robyn** who celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to you all 😊

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 13th May

Monday 13th May - Thursday 16th May: KS2 SATs week

Monday 13th May: Deltas @ Penzance Gym, pm

Wednesday 15th May: 'Smile project' working in school, pm; Swimming session - continuing swimmers, pm. **LATER pick up @ 4pm from the playing field**

Friday 16th May: Quad Kids, Year 3/4 am, @ MBA; Quad Kids, Year 5/6 pm, @ MBA