MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Expect respect.

Dear Parents,

The second half of the autumn term is always a busy one so here is a reminder of some festive dates for the diary: Marazion Christmas Fair is on 1st December; Curious Clouds are hosting a Christmas Craft Fair on Wednesday 5th December - all are invited; the KS2 festival of Carols takes place on Wednesday 6th December; children in Reception and KS1 perform this year's nativity on Tuesday 12th December and there is a fancy-dress Christmas Silent Disco on Thursday 14th December.

2023 Marazion Town Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service - THIS Sunday

The Remembrance Sunday Parade and Service for 2023 will take place this Sunday 12th November All are invited to attend. Thank you to *Fearne* who will be laying the poppy wreath for Marazion School on Sunday. Thank you also to Paul Case, *Winnie*, *Oscar* and *Summer* who led our whole school Remembrance Silence @ 11am beautifully this morning.

2023 Marazion School Harvest Festival

For this year's Marazion School's Harvest Festival, we are asking you to donate festive foods and treats, which we will collect over this 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 ③

<u>Autumn Open Afternoon/Reception 2024 Open Day – Thursday 23rd November</u>

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

Marazion School Christmas Fair – Friday 1st December 2–5pm

Marazion School Christmas Fair is on Friday 1st December from 2-5pm. All are invited - please make sure that you let your friends and family know the date too. We sent raffle tickets home with children yesterday 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.

Children in Need (CIN) 2023 - NEXT Friday 17th November

Next Friday 17th November, children can come to school and be spotacular! Please bring £1 donation and wear your best spots! Raffle tickets will also be on sale for £1 for a chance to win a Pudsey Teddy, thank you! All funds are for 2023 CIN ③

Uniform Swap Shop

Our school swap shop has again been restocked with winter uniform and clothes. Please have a look next time you're in school - you are helping to save the environment too.

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.

2024 Year 6 Residential Visit

A reminder that a non-refundable deposit of ± 25 must be paid by Friday 1st 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 \pounds 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.

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

For autumn 2023 the focus for our Vision and Aims Board is Marazion School's THIRD (not first) AIM, to support and celebrate the whole child to reveal: *Courage to be unique and individual*, thinking about how this aim is reflected in our daily school life. The theme for assemblies and circle time in autumn 1 was **BE the BEST You**. Children thought about how they can get to know themselves better, manage emotions and make good choices, discussing how we see others and how others see us. We found inspiration from others, including *Paddington Bear*; *William Wordsworth*; *August Pullman* and *Mary Earps*. The **precept** for **autumn 1** was *Geography is Destiny*. 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

Sensory Trail: Just to let you know that *Mabel* has started work on her design for a Marazion Woodland Sensory Trail, working with our lovely gardeners Katy and Tobias. *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. *Deltas* are hosting reading sessions next week. *School Events/Visits:* We are celebrating 2023 CIN next Friday in school – we are going to be spotacular!

52 Acts of Kindness, 7 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 45**, **Rivers** have an idea for this week's act of kindness: take a moment to stop, breathe and reflect - being kind to yourself.

Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

Sport Welfare Officer Network - Active Partnerships. The aim of the January 2023 Whyte Review was to look at what could be done better to protect under-18s in sports. One of the recommendations was to create a professional network of Sport Welfare Officers. Active Partnerships is in the process of looking to create this network. Their proposals for this network can be found by following the link below:

https://www.activepartnerships.org/services/programmes/sport-welfare-officer-network

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 - note autumn 2 change -: 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**: There are no fixtures or events next week. **Swimming Sessions**: **Tectonics** (Year 6) continue with their swimming sessions on Wednesday afternoons. 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, Rivers want to say thank you to everyone who has fought or is fighting to keep their country safe. We clapped together in Celebration Assembly this morning to support this.

<u>Certificate Awards</u>

Children are awarded merits for demonstrating a fantastic attitude to their work, friends, adults and the environment. Children who have earned 20 merit certificates: **Emily, Ethan, Noah B, Jacob, Locryn, Bayley, Tallulah, Kit, Melodie** and **Mia.** Children who have earned 40 merit certificates: **Nahla**.

Stars of the Week

<u>In Class</u>: Curious Clouds: Lani for super fantastic ideas and wonderful creativity; Rivers: Kyron for having a superb attitude to learning; Luxulyan Valley: Tiga for fantastic learning in and out of school; Deltas: Simi for fabulous and beautiful artwork; Tectonics: Isla for an amazing attitude across all areas of learning. <u>Sporting</u>: YR/KS1: Avie-Jane for wonderful sports skills; KS2: Noah B for having a brilliant attitude in PE and for his podium finish in cross country. <u>Music</u>: YR/KS1: Teddy B for excellent singing in nativity rehearsals; KS2: Lilly for fabulous bass playing in Rock Band.

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 **Kelsie** (Breakfast Club), **Digby**, **Solomon**, **Maggie-May** and **Hugh** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Orla** and **Indy** who both celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to both of you :)

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 13th November

Wednesday 15th November: Year 6 swimming session, pm. <mark>A reminder that pick up is LATER, @ 4pm from the playing field</mark>

Friday 17th November: Children in Need, come to school and be spotacular!