



# MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## Geography is destiny. Abraham Verghese

Dear Parents,

Recently, we have had issues with emails sent to *Gmail* accounts, which have immediately bounced back to us. We are trying to get this problem fixed, working with our IT provided iCT4. Please let us know if you continue to experience problems receiving information from school via *Gmail* accounts. Huge apologies for the inconvenience this has caused. A reminder that detailed information about school visits is now sent by email from your child's / children's class teacher and is not included in the newsletter so it is important that you check your emails regularly. Thanks. **Have a lovely half term** 😊

### Inset Day - TOMORROW Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October

A reminder that Marazion School is closed for staff training tomorrow, Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October.

### 2024 Secondary School Admissions Deadline

A reminder for parents of Year 6 children that the closing date for confirming your child's choice of secondary school is **Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October**.

### Autumn Fundraising Events

For this school year, each class is organising a termly fundraising event - everyone is invited to the events. On Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October (the first day back after half term), Rivers are holding a *Halloween Gathering* where you can buy homemade Halloween decorations; tasty, spooky treats and also guess the weight of the pumpkin. Rivers will be in the playground (weather permitting) from 2.45pm.

### 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. Thanks. We are now taking bookings for tables at a cost of £10. Please email [socialmedia@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk](mailto:socialmedia@marazion.cornwall.sch.uk) for more details. We are also looking for donations for our tombola and raffle. Please have a rummage through your cupboards for any donations of new and unused items such as bubble baths, games, jars and bottles. 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.

### Christmas Card/Gift Project 2023

This year we are taking part in the 'Cauliflower 2023 Christmas Project' to raise money for our school. Your child is designing a piece of Christmas artwork, which can be used to create mugs, notebooks, cards and wrapping paper. All artwork will be sent home, with an ordering form, by Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October. If you would like to place an order this can then be done online. All completed forms must be returned to school by Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, ready to be collected by the company. Please contact the School Office if you require any further information.

### Cost of School Lunch

A reminder that the price of a school dinner is £2.65. Please note that children in Reception, Year 1 and 2 get free school lunches as do pupil premium children. Thank you.

### School Uniform Swap Shop (SUSS)

The SUSS now includes lots of winter uniform. A reminder to always browse in the swap shop before buying any new uniform. Please also remember to take a look for the next size up. Swapping helps our school to look after the environment by reducing waste. 😊

### Together for Families/Early Help Support

Family advice is available from our school's link Family Worker, Sally Sharp, on any issues that may be affecting your family. This offer is a friendly, supportive service that meets your needs or introduces you to a service that can help you. It also offers parenting courses and can give further information about these. If you feel you need some friendly advice or any kind of family support, please feel free to contact school and we will arrange for Sally to contact you directly. Please speak to Miss Oliver if you want to discuss any of this offer further.

### The National Measurement Programme

After half term 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.

<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/>

### In/Out of School

**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 Clubs:** All Marazion Clubs have now started. Autumn clubs run until Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December. **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 during the first week back after half term. **School Events:** On the first day back after half term, Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October, **Rivers** have their *Halloween Gathering* (details above). **School Visits:** During the first week back, **Luxulyan Valley** have Part 1 of their Adventure Day. All details about school visits are sent to parents by email from their child's class teacher.

### Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

**Senior Mental Health Lead.** The Department for Education offers grants of £1,200 for eligible state-funded schools and colleges in England to train a senior mental health lead to develop and implement a whole school or college approach to mental health and wellbeing. This training is not compulsory, but it is part of the government's commitment to offer this training to all eligible schools and colleges by 2025. The £1,200 grant can be used to access a DfE Assured Course and pay for any supply cover. Miss Oliver has already attended this training and is the Mental Health Lead for Marazion School. More details are on the DfE's website:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/senior-mental-health-lead-training#applying-for-a-grant>

### 52 Acts of Kindness, 11 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 41**, **Deltas** have an idea for this week's act of kindness: share a book with a loved one, read to them or recommend one for them to read.

## 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): Monday and Friday; Deltas (Year 4/5): Thursday and Friday; Tectonics (Year 6): Wednesday and Friday. **Fixtures and Events:** There no fixtures and/or events during the first week back. **Swimming Sessions:** Tectonics (Year 6) continue with their swimming sessions on Wednesday afternoons after half term. **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 next half term. **Optional PE Homework:** For October, we are asking for you to stay active and either do a run, walk or bike ride over the next month to keep fit and healthy. Post what you get up to on Seesaw!

## 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, Deltas want to say thank you to all the wonderful authors and writers who inspire us.** 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: **Osian** and **Rosenwyn**.

## Stars of the Week

**In Class:** Curious Clouds: **Erin** for super bravery; Rivers: **Imogen** for being a wonderful role model; Luxulyan Valley: **Teddy** for his wonderful and positive attitude to learning; Deltas: **Jasna** for being just brilliant; Tectonics: **Noah** for amazing resilience throughout this half term. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Lilly May** for amazing team work; KS2: **Sammy** for brilliant shots and volleying in sitting down volleyball. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Nancie** for beautiful singing; KS2: **Khianna** for wonderful work 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 **Winnie** (Breakfast Club), **Robyn, Mabel, Mason** and **Lani** (Lunchtime).

## Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to **Ruan, Kit** and **Ezra** who all celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to you all 😊

## Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October:** Inset Day

**Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October:** Back to school; Rivers' Halloween Gathering from 2.45pm (on the playground)

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November:** Year 6 swimming session, pm. **A reminder that pick up is LATER, @ 4pm from the playing field**