

MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 7th March 2024

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"Love Yourself. Be Good to Yourself." The Lottery Winners

Dear Parents,

We have had an amazing World Book Day! There has been lots of inspirational characters around school today! The children have been learning about inspirational people; creating artwork with positive phrases and information; creating their own 'Little People, Big Dreams' book covers and listening to lots of amazing stories. What a 'booktastic' day!

School Office Opening Times

The office is back to normal and open on Monday and Tuesday afternoons again. Please call the office number on 01736 710618 if you need to contact the school for anything. Many thanks.

Phones and Watches

A reminder that we have a 'No Phone Policy' in school. Please can all phones and watches (that can make calls and send messages) be handed into the school office by the children as soon as they arrive in school. Thank you.

Marazion Fundraisers

We have some more Marazion fundraising events planned for the next few weeks. Curious Clouds and Rivers are hosting a spring themed Forest Friday Fundraiser tomorrow (see below); Luxulyan Valley are celebrating Eid Mubarak, inviting you to come into school to 'meet and eat' (see below) and Tectonics are organising another Teddy Tombola. A reminder that this fundraising has been used to provide a subsidy for residential visits for all children and will be used again for our 2024 residential visits.

Forest Friday Fundraiser - Tomorrow, Friday 8th March

Tomorrow, Friday 8th March, parents of Curious Clouds and Rivers are invited to join Forest Friday in Marazion Woodland from 9.30- 10.30am. Come and enjoy a hot chocolate and snack (donations welcome) and buy the children's handmade bird feeders, seed packets and daffodils to help raise money for Marazion School.

Ramadan Challenge

In assemblies this half term, we have been learning about the Christian holy festival of Lent and the Islamic holy month of Ramadan. Both of these periods are a time for peaceful reflection, sacrifice, generosity and kindness. Ramadan is expected to start on Monday 11th March with the arrival of the new moon and as part of our religious learning, we would like to invite you to take part in our Ramadan challenge - a series of 30 acts of kindness, gratitude, togetherness and peaceful reflection. Please find this attached. Luxulyan Valley would then love to invite you to our Eid celebration on Thursday 18th April at 2.30pm in the school hall for their 'meet and eat' fundraiser. Join us for a bowl of curry and some yummy Eid treats... Eid Mubarak!



Spring Term Parents' Meetings

Parents' Meetings are scheduled from the week beginning 11th March. This is an opportunity to meet with your child and their class teacher to discuss your child's progress, celebrate successes and identify areas for development. More information will be sent out from your child's class teacher. Luxulyan Valley Parents' Meeting is next Thursday 14th March, letters and emails have already been sent out.

Payment for Breakfast Club and School Lunches

Please note that payment for school lunches and for Breakfast Club must be paid in advance. The cost of a school lunch is £2.65 per day (£13.25 for the week). The cost of Breakfast Club is £1 per day and free for pupil premium children. Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are eligible for universal free school meals, which means that every child can have a free school meal (FSM). Some children in KS2 are eligible for FSM. Please contact Tamsyn in the School Office if you think that your family may be eligible for FSM. Texts will now be sent on Fridays if there is any debt against either school lunches or Breakfast Club or both. Thank you for your support with this.

Family Worker - Thursday March 14th 1.00-3.00pm

Our Family Worker, Sally Sharp, continues to work with families at school and is available to offer support and advice over the phone as well as meeting face-to-face. If you have any worries, questions or concerns about your child, for example their behaviour, sleeping or your finances and you would like some friendly advice, please contact your child's class teacher or Miss Oliver to book an appointment. Sally will be available on Thursday March 14th from 1.00-3.00pm.

FREE Training for Parents - Dandelion Learning

A reminder that Dandelion Learning (DL) offer FREE training for parents. Follow links below:

Free! Phonics for Parents: Supporting Your Child at Home

https://youtu.be/bpjQvxbeOLY ('Raising a Reader') The handout can be downloaded here:

https://www.dandelionlearning.co.uk/resources-raising-a-reader/

In/Out of School

<u>Marazion Clubs</u>: Spring Marazion Clubs continue every week for this half term. <u>Marazion School Reading Room (RR)</u>: Children can choose to come into school and read for pleasure from 8.30-8.45am every day. <u>Luxulyan Valley</u> are hosting reading sessions next week. <u>School Visits/Events</u>: Next week Mr. Case's Lego League group are going to the Lego League Regional Final (letters for this will go out on Monday) and Rivers are going to the Minack, more information will be sent out by Miss Hall.

Safeguarding Awareness for Parents & Carers

Understanding artificial intelligence (AI) for Educators - Better Internet for Kids: the use of AI brings new vulnerabilities and new risks to young people and children. Better Internet for Kids, has recently published an article laying out the ins and outs of AI and the impact its continued development is having on children. Please follow the link below for more information:

https://www.betterinternetforkids.eu/teacher-corner/deep-dives/generative-ai

PE and School Sport

PE Days: Children come to school in PE kits on the days they have Games Afternoons/PE sessions. Spring 2 PE Days for each class are (note the 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): Wednesday and Friday; Tectonics (Year 6): Monday and Friday. Fixtures and Events: Some of KS2 have Sports Hall Athletics @ MBA this week, letters for this have gone out today. Swimming Sessions: Children in Year 4, and some Year 6 children are swimming this half term. 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: Tectonics are going to Penzance Gym on Monday afternoons for the rest of this half term. Children need to wear a t-shirt that has no buttons to the gym. Thanks. Optional PE Homework: For March, we are asking that you try to be more active to and from school, whether it be walking, jogging, cycling, skateboarding or on your scooter!

Weekly Times Tables Recall Rhyme

This week's rhymes are:

- I ate and ate 'til I was sick on the floor... 8 times 8 is 64
- Saving the world is our fate... 9 times 12 is 108
- A beautiful world we'll create... 12 times 9 is 108
- Fancy a trip to the zoo? 6 times 7 is 42
- At the zoo, I saw elephant poo... 7 times 6 is 42

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, Rivers want to say thank you to all the wonderful writers and illustrators who create the wonderful books we are celebrating today. 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: **Tallulah**, **Nancie**, **Winter**, **Jasna**, **Alice** and **Jack P**. Children who have earned 60 merit certificates: **Piran**, **Alex**, **Simi** and **Lyra**. Children who have earned 80 merit certificates: **Maggie-May**. Children who have earned 100 merit certificates: **Nathan**.

Stars of the Week

<u>In Class</u>: Curious Clouds: *Ruan* for excellent work in phonics and beautiful handwriting. Rivers: *Harrison Wh* for amazing learning this week, including fantastic Guided Reading. Luxulyan Valley: *Willow* for super spellings and work in phonics. Deltas: *Amy-Rose* for wonderful attitude in all her learning, showing resilience and great progress. <u>Sporting</u>: YR/KS1: *Piran* for great sportsmanship. KS2: *Destiny* for being a fantastic sports leader. <u>Music</u>: YR/KS1: *Ruan* for beautiful singing of Cornwall My Home. KS2: *Alex* for fantastic singing of Trelawny.

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 **Teddy Bw** (Breakfast Club), **Emily**, **Roman**, **Kyron** and **Winter** (Lunchtime).

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to $\it Jacob$ and $\it Aurora$ who celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns to you both $\it ext{ } ext{$

Dates for the Diary w/c Monday 11th March

Monday 11th March: Tectonics @ Penzance gym, pm.

Tuesday 12th March: Some of KS2 @ MBA for Sports Hall Athletics.

Wednesday 13th March: Lego League Event, EARLY 8am drop off and LATE 4pm pick up from school;

Y4/Y6 swimming session, pm. LATER pick up @ 4pm from the playing field.

Thursday 14th March: Luxulyan Valley Parents' Meeting, 8.30am-5.45pm.