

MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

We are now half way through this school year and about to start our residential visit programme with Year 6 off to London for most of next week. Other planned residential visits include spending a few days in Oxford; sleeping overnight in the Maritime Museum in Falmouth; taking time out for a whole week in the Isles of Scilly and a sleepover in the school hall! Pupils also continue with visits as an essential part of our curriculum - this week Melody have been out to meet some local superheroes (fire fighters); Harmony have visited a local garden centre to buy plants to grow and eat and Dynamics have taken their storytelling to the beach. Please make sure that you keep up to date with the development of the school site - look out for some more brilliant spaces and places that we can explore.

Year 6 London Residential Visit - NEXT Week

Next week, Year 6 are off to visit London. The cost of this residential visit is £245 - please note that the total cost must be paid in full by TOMORROW Friday 28th February. Thanks. Luggage must be in school by **9.30am on Monday 2nd March**. Please make sure that you have also given any **medication** for your child (clearly labelled with your child's name and the dosage) to Mrs Tredinnick by **3.30pm on Monday 2nd March** - you also need to complete a residential visit medical consent form. Year 6 pupils must be at Penzance train station by **6.45am on Tuesday 3rd March**. The group arrives back into Penzance train station on **Friday 6th March at 8.11pm**. Thanks.

Next Week

After Schools Club Update: Mr Tanner is running 4 school clubs next week so tag rugby (Monday), KS1 gym (Tuesday); dodgeball (Wednesday) and badminton (Thursday) are all back on until the end of this term. Please note that KS2 Gym Club (Wednesday) and Chess Club (Thursday) are cancelled due to the London residential visit. **World Book Day (WBD) 2020:** Next week Marazion School is celebrating WBD on Tuesday. There is a poetry focus with all classes celebrating poets past and present linking to our current topics. Pupils need to wear school uniform as usual. **Melody's Visitor:** Children in Melody are meeting another local superhero on Wednesday - this time it's a policeman. **Menu Change:** We have 2 menu changes - a World Book Day menu on Tuesday 3rd March and, on Thursday 5th March, a St Piran's Day theme. Both these menus are being sent electronically with this newsletter and are also available on the school website. **Funky Fridays (FF) - spring term 2:** A reminder that FFs start tomorrow and, this half term, there is a history theme with a focus on VE Day and WW2. Children will be singing; cooking; code cracking; making do and mending; creating propaganda posters and learning about evacuations. **Marazion Spring Show 2020:** Melody are entering the Marazion Spring Show again this year, displaying spring flower collages. Their entries are on show at Marazion Community Centre on Friday 6th and Saturday 7th March.

Penzance Songfest - Tuesday 17th March

Please note that the Earth Singers continue with their Songfest rehearsals on Wednesday afternoons but there are no more after school rehearsals for the Penzance singers. A letter has gone out today with more details about arrangements for the Penzance Songfest. A letter has already gone out to some pupils about this Saturday's rehearsal for the Plymouth Songfest.



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Coronavirus Update

The latest update from Public Health England regarding Covid-19 advice for schools and educational settings in the South West is attached to this newsletter as either a paper or electronic copy.

St Piran's Day - NEXT Thursday

On Thursday 5th March we are celebrating St Piran's Day. Opera are taking part in the traditional dance in Penzance - leaving school at 9.30am. Children need to be wearing normal school uniform as school provides white jumpers for the dance. The procession leaves St John's Hall at 10.30am and parents are welcome to come and watch their children dance throughout the town. Later, at 2.15pm in either the school playground or the hall (if the weather is unkind) we are hosting a Marazion celebration with singing and a re-telling of St Piran's story. We will be serving cups of tea/coffee along with delicious saffron buns. All are welcome and we look forward to celebrating with you.

Staffing Update

We are delighted to welcome Noah Tanner to the Marazion School Team as Games Coach and to also welcome back Kayleigh Rescorla who returns from maternity leave on Wednesday 18th March. Mrs Rescorla is teaching in Dynamics on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Friday mornings. Mrs Dale is in Dynamics on Mondays and Tuesdays and Mrs Tredinnick on Friday afternoons. We are saying goodbye to Louise Tremewan who is not returning to Marazion School in September - we wish her all the very best for her future adventures in the sun and on the ocean. Miss Tremewan will be in school soon to share the story of some of her recent adventures - more details nearer the time.

Wonderful Fruit from Thorns

We are now using our local fruit and veg shop 'Thorns' for our KS2 fruit snacks for breacktime. We wanted to say a big thank you to them for the delicious high quality fruit that they provide. We have also made the change to Thorns so that we can cut down on both our air miles and plastic wrapping. The fruit is picked up by a member of staff on their way to work and all the fruit is packaged only in cardboard boxes that we can recycle. As we have said many times all small changes make a big difference. Maybe you could try to switch too - fresh local fruit and vegetables with no plastic packaging. Perfect!

PE and Sport in School

Fixture and Events: Next week some Year 3/4 pupils are taking part in a Swimming Gala at Penzance Leisure Centre. Letters are going out to the children that are taken part in this event tomorrow. Please see below for dates and times. **Running Club:** Mrs. Keating has recently started a running club, which meets every morning at 8:45am. All children are welcome to join the club as long as they are ready to run at 8:45am and they have spare trainers and socks with them. The goal is to run 50 miles before Easter! **Gym Sessions:** Harmony have one more gym session next Monday, then Melody class start their sessions. Please can pupils make sure that they have their PE kits in school. Thanks. **Swimming Sessions:** Dynamics had their last swimming session today. Harmony start their swimming sessions from Thursday 12th March. Children need swimming kit (black costume or 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. **Tennis Sessions:** Tennis sessions with coaches from Penzance Tennis Club continue this half term still on Monday afternoons for Dynamics but changing to Tuesday mornings for Melody. **Sporting Event:** This term we are following the 2020 Women's Six Nations Tournament. England Women continued their unbeaten run last weekend winning 27-0 against Ireland. **Optional PE Homework:** This is the last chance for pupils to create a healthy, tasty topping for porridge. The toppings will then be served in Breakfast Club. So far, we have had suggestions of honey and mixed fruit from Delilah; a berry and apple topping from Dillianne and a strawberry and honey delight from Avery!

Opera's Outcome

Opera's Outcome is on Wednesday 25th March - they are raising money for *Doctors Without Borders*. There are already some fantastic prizes for their auction and raffle including something from Boris Johnson. If you have anything you could donate to this event, it would be a massive help and really support our fundraising efforts for an incredible charity. Thanks.

Certificate Awards

Children are awarded merits for demonstrating a great attitude to their work, friends, adults and the environment. Children who have earned 40 merit certificates: *Ezra, Noah, Fleur, Teddy, Tallulah, Logan Ch* and *Nathen*. Children who have earned 60 merit certificates: *Amy Rose, Aurora, Kai B, Cameron, Sophie* and *Ferdi*.

Stars of the Week

In Class: Melody: *Aurora* for always giving 100% in her work; Harmony: *Vinnie* for fantastic focus and great choices; Dynamics: *Ohran* for brilliant focus and an amazing beach clean; Opera: *Kodie* for showing incredible commitment in all that she does; Pitch Perfect: *Lilly M* for fabulous progress. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: *Digby* for his great enthusiasm and team work in PE; KS2: *Dayton* for amazing hockey and netball skills. **Music:** YR/KS1: *Poppy* for wonderful cup rhythms; KS2: *Penny* for excellent ukulele playing. **Singing Superstars:** YR/KS1: *Fleur* for super singing of the pancake song; KS2: *Allysha* for fantastic singing in assembly.

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: *Kendra* (Breakfast Club) *Jon Boy, Kelsie, Vinnie* and *Winnie* (Lunchtime).

Many Happy Returns

Happy Belated Birthday to *Oscar, Jake* and *Stephen* who all celebrated their birthdays in half term and also *Aimee* who celebrated her birthday this week. Many Happy Returns to you all 😊

Dates for the Diary w/c 2nd March 2020

Monday 2nd March: Harmony gym session @ Penzance Gym, pm; Dynamic tennis session, pm

Tuesday 3rd - Friday 6th March: Year 6 London Residential Visit

Tuesday 3rd March: World Book Day; Melody tennis session, am; Year 3/4 swimming gala @ Penzance Leisure Centre, 1-3.15pm

Wednesday 4th March: Police Officer visiting Melody class, am; **NO AFTER SCHOOL GYM CLUB**

Thursday 5th March: St Piran's Day - Opera class dancing, 10.30am; St Piran's Celebration @ Marazion School, 2.15pm; **NO SWIMMING SESSION; NO AFTER SCHOOL CHESS CLUB**

Friday 6th March and Saturday 7th March: Marazion Spring Show @ Marazion Community Centre