



MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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We're ditching single use plastic. We refresh by filling our refillable bottles.

Dear Parents,

We start our OUTCOMES, celebrating pupils' learning over this term, from next week. Shapeshifters are off to Friendship Woods on Wednesday 29th at 10am (weather permitting) to explore the woods, and to *dance, sing and tell stories* linked to recent learning. There are also delicious nibbles to share; Adders are hosting a *Grand Dinosaur Exhibition* on Thursday 30th from 2pm with poetry, dancing and singing. There is also tea and biscuits; Maths Magicians are taking part in a *Magical Beast QR Code Trail* also on Thursday 30th November in school and invite you along from 2pm to share in the wonderful fantasy world that they have been studying. There are also snozzcumbers and frobscottle; Fabulous Fibonacci and 2 Infinity and beyond are holding a *Marazion Olympic Awards Evening* on Wednesday 6th December starting at 6pm. The dress code is smart and there is also an energy boosting buffet. Please note that parents/carers who have children in both Adders and Maths Magicians can visit both the exhibition and the QR Code Trail.

Marazion School Policies

Staff, governors and sometimes pupils spend a lot of time in the autumn term reviewing and updating Marazion School policies. Both the Behaviour Policy and the Homework Policy, which have been recently reviewed, are attached electronically to this newsletter and are available on the school website. Paper copies of all our school policies are also available from the school office. Please note that staff and pupils are going to work on a separate Anti-Bullying policy over the next few weeks, instead of having this as an appendix to our Behaviour Policy. Pupils, staff, parents and governors work hard to make sure that bullying is not tolerated at any time in our school.

Parent Governor

We currently have a vacancy for a Parent Governor on our Governing Body. The role of governor does need you to give time, energy and commitment to the school but it is also very rewarding. Our current governing body is amazing with a range of experience, skills and knowledge within the team providing excellent capacity to move forward. All our governors work tirelessly to improve outcomes for the pupils at Marazion School. Please contact Ed or Laura in the school if you require any further information or speak to Pete Hamilton who is currently a Parent Governor to find out more.

Staffing Update

We are delighted to welcome Steven Jenkin to the Marazion Staff Team as Games Coach. Steven is working 3 days in school (Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays) to support our Games Afternoons and local sporting events and fixtures. He is also working on increasing our DPA (daily physical activity) and will be using lunch and break times to do this as well as other parts of the school day.

Links with Borough Market (BM)

Staff visited BM in London last weekend as part of the risk assessment visit for next year's Year 6 residential. The market has several water fountains, which encourage people to refill a bottle, as well as posters declaring their commitment to 'ditch' single use plastic (see attached photos). We have taken inspiration from BM and have produced similar posters in school and added a logo to the top of this newsletter. Year 6 pupils are to have a guided tour of the market during their visit to London and are very interested to take on some new ideas about how we can do more to 'ditch' single use plastic at Marazion School. Thank you to all the staff at BM who have worked hard to organise this for our pupils.

Marazion School Residential Visits (RV) 2018 DEPOSITS - Years 3, 4, 5 and 6

A reminder that non-refundable deposits of £25 are due for the RV of pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 and £15 for the RV of pupils in Year 3 by the end of this term. The total cost for the London RV will be finalised next week. The cost of all these visits can be paid by instalments, starting now. Pop into the office and ask Ed or Laura for a payment card. Thanks. Please note that a subsidy is available for pupil premium pupils for all these visits.

Adventure Days (ADs) - Payment DUE NOW

Thank you to all of you who have already paid £12.50 for the ADs. Please note that there are still some outstanding payments, which are due now. Text alerts will now go out daily as a reminder. Please can all payments be made to either Ed or Laura in the school office. Thanks.

Marazion School Christmas Fayre - Thursday 7th December

We have a Dress Down Day in school, on Friday 1st December, to support the jar tombola stall for this year's Christmas Fayre. Please bring in a jar of lovely things - sweets, toys, hair bands, plant seeds, Pokemon cards and you can dress down for the day. Our Christmas Fayre is on Thursday 7th December (not long now!) with some amazing stalls and some brilliant raffle prizes. The Fayre will be held at Marazion Community Centre from 2pm - 5pm. Please note that raffle tickets are still available from the school office and also on the day of the fayre.

In School / Out and About:

Funky Friday Resources: Thank you for all of the wonderful donations that you have given to our Keneggy Funky Friday Eco Heroes. Watch out for quirky Christmas gifts at the Christmas Fayre made by reducing, reusing and recycling. **Children in Need (CIN) 2018:** We raised a whopping £230 for CIN 2018 last week. Thank you for your incredible support for the dress down day, the disco and, of course, the cakes. Wow! **Marazion Book Fair:** We have a Book Fair in school from Monday 4th December to Thursday 7th December. **Autumn Term Maths Challenge:** We only have a few weeks of the autumn term's maths challenge left - *Rubix Speedy Contest*. Can you complete one side of the Rubix Cube faster than Mr Richings completing the whole cube? Practise, and the fastest hands win a maths prize at the end of the autumn term. Good luck!

PE and Sport in School

Fixtures and Events: Next week our A and B team have netball fixtures and some Year 5/6 pupils are playing badminton in a local tournament. See below for dates and times. **Cornwall Junior Chess Championship 2017:** This exciting event took place last Saturday at Marazion School. Almost 50 children from various schools attended. Marazion chess team played wonderfully with *Spencer* winning Under 11 boys; *Lola A* Under 11 girls; *Scarlett* Under 7 girls and *Tallulah* the Newcomer's Trophy with a super score of 12. Congratulations to all of Marazion Chess Team and thanks again to Mr Richings for all of his hard work in organising a super wonderful tournament. **Swimming Sessions, autumn 2:** Fibonacci are swimming on Thursdays. Please remember swimming kit (black swimming costume and black trunks - NOT board shorts) and £1 donation. Thanks. School provides hats and has some goggles if your child does not have their own pair. **Gym Sessions autumn 2:** Adders have gym sessions at Penzance Gym on Wednesdays. Please make sure pupils have full PE kit in school all week. Thanks. **Optional PE Homework:** For November, we are asking pupils to write a recipe for tasty (just right) porridge and/or overnight soaked oats. Yum!

Stars of The Week

In Class: Shape Shifters: *Lola* for brilliant progress in reading and phonics; Adders: *Skylar* for making brilliant choices and working hard; Maths Magicians: *Nathen* for given 100% effort ; Fabulous Fibonacci: *Brae* for fabulous work in her Maths; 2 Infinity & Beyond: *Alex* for always giving 100%. **Maths Magicians:** YR/KS1: *Kodie* for wonderful independent maths; KS2: *Callum B* for brilliant multiplying and dividing. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: *Bobby* for fantastic Friday Boot Camp; KS2: *Troy* for fantastic team work. **Music:** YR/KS1: *Tallulah* for excellent progress in ukulele; KS2: *Cameron* for marvellous singing in assembly.

Certificate Awards

Children are awarded merits for demonstrating a great attitude to their work, friends, adults and the environment. Children who have earned 20 merit certificates: *Skye, Ella, Sophia, Lamorna, Khianna, Sam H, Rosie, Freya, Logan C, Stanley, John, Teagan, Sammy B, Poppy R, Blue, Zac, Nyla, Rheya, Blythe, Lilla, Lola K, Chloe H, Frankie, Winnie, Isla W, Eve, Isla T, Sam T, Jack J, Mazey, Millie, Pablo, Emilia, Archie, Alfie L, Oscar M, Bobby* and *Teddy*. Children who have earned 40 merit certificates: *Daisy* and *Delilah*.

House Points

Praa Sands 578 Perranuthnoe 605 Prussia 712 Keneggy Sands 682 Long Rock 614 Marazion 690

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: *Isla P, Harry, Teddy* and *Poppy S* (Lunchtime) and *Winnie* (Breakfast Club).

Many Happy Returns

Avery, Chloe H and *Kai P* celebrated their birthday this week. Many Happy Returns to you all ☺

Dates for the Diary w/c 27th November 2017

Monday 27th November: Year 5/6 badminton @ MBA, pm

Tuesday 28th November: Netball match @ MBA, B team 3.40pm & A team 4.30pm

Wednesday 29th November: Shape Shifters @ Friendship Woods 10am; Adders' gym session, pm;

Thursday 30th November: Marazion School Book Fair starts; Adders' *Grand Dinosaur Exhibition* from 2pm; Fibonacci swimming session, pm; Maths Magicians' *Magical Beasts QR Code Trail* from 2pm