

MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Tuesday saw our pupils working together to solve the mystery of Brainy Bertha's peculiar brain! Our Super Learning Day gave us the chance to understand how our brain works, what our brain does and how we can try to keep our brains happy. Pupils took part in six exciting workshops where they particularly enjoyed putting their hands into marshmallow goo, making snow globes to help calm their busy brains, shooting a video identifying how they can make their brain happy and playing The Generation Game to improve their working memory! As always the pupils were incredibly supportive of each other whilst working in their beach groups, with the ages ranging from Reception to Year 6.

School Blog

Don't forget to have a look at the school blog at <https://blog.seesaw.me/marazion/#!/> This week the blog has a video of Brainy Bertha and the whole school dance and reception pupils at Beach School creating beautifully balancing stone towers.

Facebook Update

The technical issues have been resolved and our Facebook page *Marazion School Community Page for Parents/Carers* is now back up and running. Please join this group for updates, notifications and reminders. In line with our Code of Conduct staff are unable to reply to comments on this page.

Staffing update

A letter went out at the beginning of the week informing parents and carers that Abi Squibb will be leaving Marazion School at the end of the Spring term to take up the role of Headteacher at Marlborough School in Falmouth. We will give you more information on staffing news later on in the term.

In School/Out and About

Funky Fridays (FF): The theme for Spring 1 is *Stories of Love and Respect from different religions*.

Farm and Country Exhibition: On Tuesday TTs and FCs will be having a visit from a travelling farm exhibition, adding to their learning about animals and habitats. **Cornish Caretakers:** We are having an exciting visit from Kernow King and friends on the 13th of February as part of the Kresen Kernow archive project. FCs will be taking part in a workshop focusing on key figures in Cornish history and there will be a presentation on the *Cornish Caretakers* to all pupils in the afternoon.

Chinese New Year Menu

To celebrate Chinese New Year on Tuesday 5th February, there will be a menu change: Chinese Chicken or Quorn Noodles, with wok tossed vegetables.

Family Worker Drop in Session

Sue Cripps, our Family Worker, will be in school on Thursday 7th February at 2.30pm. Sue will be available to meet with parents and discuss strategies to support behaviour, sleep or any other issues affecting home life. Pop along for a chat with Sue anytime between 2.30pm and 3.15pm. There will be tea and cake.

After School Clubs

There are still spaces available for some clubs so please ask at the office if your child would like to join. As always, can pupils please inform the club leader if they are unable to attend a club and explain their reason. Please can pupils be collected from the foyer at the end of the club. On the 6th of February gym club will be at school and will finish at 4.15pm. Thanks

Children as Coaches Project

Next week we will be starting an exciting project with Vicky Otter as part of our staff training and development program. The Children as Coaches Project will support and enrich the current Progress Meetings that take place, focusing upon pupils' reflection about their writing. CCs will be working with Vicky taking part in coaching skills training to enable the children to engage in child-led progress meetings and to deepen their reflection skills about their learning. Vicky will also work closely with staff to engage in reflective conversations that will enhance current Progress Meetings. If you would like to know more about this project, please talk to a member of staff.

PE and Sport in School

Fixtures and Events: Next week the netball team are playing at MBA after school on Tuesday and the football team will be away to Ludgvan after school on Friday. Please see date below for times. **Swimming Sessions:** Pupils in Funky Chickens are swimming on Thursdays. Pupils 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. **Gym Sessions:** Pupils in Disco Dudes and some pupils from CCs are going to Penzance Gym every Wednesday. Please can pupils have their PE kit in school all week. Thanks. **Optional PE and SS Homework:** For January, pupils are being asked to write a New Year's Resolution, giving themselves a sporty challenge to keep up for the month.

Stars of the Week

In Class: Terrific Tangos: **Lola** for her enthusiasm in maths; Fabulous Fandangos: **Isla T** for her fantastic maths; Funky Chickens: **Gracie-May** for working hard and always being kind and friendly; Cha Chas: **Ferdi** for his positive attitude and love for learning; Disco Dudes: **Thomas B** for working hard in maths and literacy and for his great attitude to learning. **Sporting:** YR/KS1 **Sammy B** for his great gym skills; KS2 **Logan Ch** for his great defending during the football match. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Teddy** and **Jackson** who both sang a solo; KS2: **Lily G** for singing so beautifully. **Dazzling Dancers:** YR/KS1: **Alfie F** for his fantastic dance skills.; KS2 **Jake D** for amazing confident dancing (when nobody was watching!).

Certificate Awards and House Points

Merits and House Points will be updated next week.

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: **Millie** (Breakfast Club) **Josh, Bobby, Sophia** and **Toby M** (Lunchtime)

Many Happy Returns

Happy Birthday to **Lilly M, Olly, Thomas R** and **Lilla** who all celebrated their birthdays this week. Many Happy Returns ☺

Dates for the Diary w/c 4th February

Tuesday 5th February: Farm & Country Exhibition in school for TTs and FCs; Netball @ MBA, 3-4.15pm

Wednesday 6th February: Gym Club at School, 4.15pm pick up

Friday 8th February: Football @ Ludgvan, 3.15-4.30pm