

# Mawnan CE VA Primary School Newsletter



*Using our God-given gifts to let our light shine*



**Our core Christian Values: *Compassion, Hope, Peace, Perseverance, Respect, Trust***

Friday 31st March 2023

## Happy Easter

We would like to wish you all a peaceful, relaxing and enjoyable Easter holiday. We hope you are able to enjoy some time with family and friends, enjoy our wonderful county and enjoy some time with your fantastic children.

Thank you to our children, their families, our talented staff team and governors for everything that you do to make Mawnan School such a fantastic learning community.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 17th April for the start of the summer term.

Best wishes, Miss Pridmore.



## Upcoming Events

Please put these dates in your diaries:

### **April 2023**

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> – Fri 14<sup>th</sup>: Easter Holidays**

**Mon 17<sup>th</sup>: Return to School**

### **May 2023**

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup>: May Day Bank Holiday**

**Fri 5<sup>th</sup>: Coronation Celebration – Non-**

**Uniform Day – Dress as Royalty**

**Mon 8<sup>th</sup> – Coronation Bank Holiday**

**Tues 9<sup>th</sup> – Fri 12<sup>th</sup>: Year 6 SATs**

**Mon 15<sup>th</sup> – Wed 17<sup>th</sup>: Yr 4,5 & 6 School**

**Camp**

**Mon 29<sup>th</sup>: HALF TERM**

### **June 2023**

**23<sup>rd</sup> Sports Day**

## Attendance

### **01/09/2022 – 31/03/2023**

Oppie – 95.67% 70 - late

Topper – 96.58% 28 - late

Pico – 95.79% 54 - late

Fusion – 95.93% 32 – late

Dart – 97.02% 13 - late

Well done Dart Class for having the highest attendance so far this Academic Year.

# Ofsted Parent Review

We normally ask you to complete a questionnaire at this term's parent teacher meetings and this year we would be incredibly grateful if you could complete the Ofsted Parent View online questionnaire, if you haven't already.



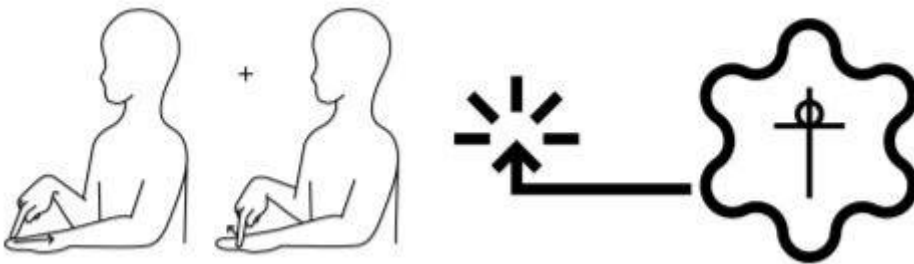
Our Ofsted inspection window is very overdue as our last inspection was in 2017. The information gathered through Parent View will play a valuable part of our next inspection. Thank you so much for your support with this.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

## Makaton sign of the week



The sign and symbol of the week is 'Easter'



## After School Clubs – Summer 1 2023

Netball	Football	Embrace Dance	Craft	Hockey	Gardening Club	Outdoor Activities	Multi Sports	Chillax Club	Sailing
Year 4, 5 & 6	Year 5 & 6	Year 1 & 2	Year 3 & 4	Year 5 & 6	Year 2	Year 1	Year 3 & 4	Year 5	Year 6
		Min. 15 Max. 20	Max. 20		Max. 20	Max. 15	Max. 20	Max. 20	Max. 20
Monday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Thursday	Thursday	Friday

Google forms were emailed out this week for you to sign your child up for a club.

## Swimming

Year 3 and Year 4 had their final swimming lesson of the academic year yesterday. We have been pleased with the quality of the swimming lessons and all of the children have made excellent progress with their swimming technique, stamina and water confidence.

We would like to sincerely thank the PTA for generously heavily subsidising the cost of the coach and we would also like to thank the children for really preserving with their swimming and behaving so brilliantly.

## Reading over the holidays

We are so proud of the reading culture at Mawnan and want to thank you sincerely for reading every day at home with your children. Please continue this enjoyable journey over the holiday and visit our local library.

We are very fortunate to have a great library in Falmouth. It is free to join and your child can take out up to 10 books at a time to enjoy over the holidays.

Opening hours can be found here: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/libraries-museums-and-archives/libraries/your-local-library/falmouth-library/>

## Primary Assessments: future dates

During the summer term, our fantastic pupils will be taking part in their statutory assessments. The statutory tests are part of our education system and we will thoroughly support the children so they can embrace the tests with confidence and positivity so they can shine like the stars they are!

KS1 SATs are compulsory for all Year 2 pupils and KS2 SATs are compulsory for all Year 6 pupils in England. If your child is in **Year 2** or **Year 6** they have to sit the SATs. For this reason, please make a note of the following dates and please **do not** book any holidays during these times.

The class teachers have shared the slides from the KS1 and KS2 SATs information session on ClassDojo.

### Key stage 1

May 2023 is the Key stage 1 testing period.

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2023 is the phonics screening check

### Key stage 2

The Year 6 tests are timetabled from Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

**Tuesday 9 May 2023** English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2

**Wednesday 10 May 2023** English reading

**Thursday 11 May 2023** Mathematics papers 1 and 2

**Friday 12 May 2023** Mathematics paper 3

**Multiplication tables check for Year 4** is timetabled from Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

## Cross Country

Well done to our Cross Country team, who persevered and battled the elements yesterday in their races at Newquay.



# Music Concert

On Monday afternoon we had Mawnan School's Spring Music Concert. This was organised by our fantastic music teacher Mr Hatherly for the musicians to show off their progress and wonderful abilities. There were individual, small group and whole class performances. It was lovely to be able to watch them perform.



# Pico's Easter Gardens

Today, Pico created the most beautiful Easter gardens. The children were extremely creative and were very encouraging to their peers. We really enjoyed making them together!

**Top tip** - If you keep the Easter Garden in a cool place and keep them watered, they will last quite a while.



# Term Dates

Our term dates and closure dates can be found here:

[https://mawnancofeprimary.eschools.co.uk/web/term\\_dates/521213](https://mawnancofeprimary.eschools.co.uk/web/term_dates/521213)

## Cornwall Council 2023/2024 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools



September 2023							October 2023							November 2023						
Mon		4	11	18	25		Mon		2	9	16	23	30	Mon			6	13	20	27
Tue		5	12	19	26		Tue		3	10	17	24	31	Tue			7	14	21	28
Wed		6	13	20	27		Wed		4	11	18	25		Wed		1	8	15	22	29
Thurs		7	14	21	28		Thurs		5	12	19	26		Thurs		2	9	16	23	30
Fri	1	8	15	22	29		Fri		6	13	20	27		Fri		3	10	17	24	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30		Sat		7	14	21	28		Sat		4	11	18	25	
Sun	3	10	17	24			Sun	1	8	15	22	29		Sun		5	12	19	26	

December 2023							January 2024							February 2024						
Mon		4	11	18	25		Mon	1	8	15	22	29		Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		5	12	19	26		Tue	2	9	16	23	30		Tue		6	13	20	27	
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Sun	3	10	17	24	31		Sun	7	14	21	28		Sun	4	11	18	25			

March 2024							April 2024							May 2024						
Mon		4	11	18	25		Mon	1	8	15	22	29		Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tue		5	12	19	26		Tue	2	9	16	23	30		Tue		7	14	21	28	
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June 2024							July 2024							August 2024						
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### School holidays

### Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2023
Boxing Day	26 December 2023
New Years Day	01 January 2024
Good Friday	29 March 2024
Easter Monday	01 April 2024
May Bank Holiday	06 May 2024
Spring Bank Holiday	27 May 2024
Summer Bank Holiday	26 August 2024

### AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

4 September - 19 December 2023  
(HALF TERM 23-27 October 2023)

### SPRING TERM (56 days)

3 January - 28 March 2024  
(HALF TERM 12-16 February 2024)

### SUMMER TERM (67 days)

15 April - 24 July 2024  
(HALF TERM 27-31 May 2024)

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools will be open to pupils for 190 days. The five additional days are allotted for In-Service Training (INSET). Schools allocate their own INSET days.

## INSET Days – 2023/2024

Monday 4th September 2023  
Monday 30th October 2023  
22nd, 23rd and 24th July 2024

## Welcome to the March 2023 Scomis Online Safety Newsletter for Parents

### Access to advice/help for parents and carers

With the Easter break almost here, SCOMIS is reminding parents and carers of where they can find advice and/or help with Online Safety Issues. Knowing where to look can be a challenge! The following websites have lots of information, summarised as follows:

**NSPCC**— Find out how to keep children Safe Online with help from the NSPCC's guides, including:

[Reporting Online Safety Concerns](#)

[Online Safety Guides](#)

[Resources for children](#)

[Resources for children with SEND](#)

**Childnet.com** Help, advice and resources for parents and carers including:

[Social media](#)

[Parental controls](#)

[Reliability online](#)

[Online bullying](#)

[Help and advice for 4-11 year olds](#)

- What to do if someone is mean to your child online
- How much time should you spend online
- What you need to know about online gaming

[Help and advice for 11-18 year olds](#)

- Digital wellbeing
- Gaming
- Social media
- Fake news
- Video Calls

[Parent's and carers Toolkit](#)

3 resources offering practical tips and advice on different aspects of keeping your child safe online. Download the toolkit [here](#)

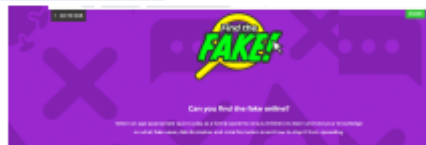
**Internet Matters**—Access Internet Matters 'one-stop shop' resource centre featuring parent guides, recommended resources. See what's new! Including:

[Age-specific online safety guides](#)

0-6years; 6-10years ; 11-14years; 14years+

[Family Digital Toolkit](#)—watch the video!

[Interactive Family Quiz](#)—find the fake online!



### Support for Grandparents!

The **UK Safer Internet Centre** has published a resource to support grandparents with online safety. The guidance includes:

- how to support your grandchild in using the internet safely and responsibly
- how to respond if something goes wrong
- How to understand the latest technologies and trends?
- What you should know about parental controls?
- How to talk to your grandchild about their online life?
- Where to go for help or to report something worrying or inappropriate?

Find out more [here](#)

### Online Gaming

Scomis has previously included articles on advice and guidance for parents and carers on Online Gaming.

The following websites provide useful

**Childnet**—[Online Gaming: an introduction for parents and carers](#) includes advice on:

- The risks

**Parentzone**—[Gaming: a parent's guide](#) | [Parent Zone](#)

includes advice on:

- the links between gaming and gambling
- what you need to know about gaming communities
- top tips on helping your child play games safely
- inappropriate content
- how much time is too much time?

**Family Lives**—[Gaming](#) | [Family Lives](#) includes advice on:

- talking to your child about gaming
- keeping teens safe

Check the [South West Grid for Learning's Gaming Hub](#) to find out the benefits of gaming and:

- why people game
- about the gaming community
- explore virtual reality



### TikTok

**CommonSense Media's review:**

Parents need to know that TikTok is a social network for sharing user-generated videos.

Users can remix others' work and browse content created by other users, including

famous recording artists. The app features a lot of music, explicit swearing and sexual content in some songs.

Read the review in full [here](#)

**NB. Recommended Age: 13 CommonSense = Age 15**

Find out how to apply TikTok privacy settings at [Internet](#)

[Matters](#) including how to apply restrictions on:

- **privacy**
- **location sharing**
- **identity theft**

Download the [Parental Guide](#)

Find out more about why children use social media and how to keep them safe when using:

- Instagram
- Snapchat
- Wink
- Whatsapp
- Kik

Visit the NSPCC [here](#)

### Where to get help

Visit the [UK Safer Internet Centre's](#) website to access details and links for a number of organisations that can help with:

- Reporting on Social Media
- Reporting Criminal Content Online

and much more!

### Need Help in the holidays?

Remember FREE advice is just a phone call away from NSPCC helpline:  
0808 800 5002  
Childline: 0800 1111

**SCOMIS**  
Your ICT Partner



# Attendance

If your child is absent, please phone or email the school by 9:00am on the first day of absence and provide us with the reason for their absence. The school is obliged to keep a record of absences and these are recorded on your child's report. Unauthorised absence and persistent lateness must be reported to the Local Authority's Attendance and Welfare Officer for further support and action.

## Holiday during Term Time

Family holidays during term time will not normally be authorised. No flights or travel arrangements should be booked until the absence has been discussed with the Headteacher. Under current legislation parent/carers taking their child on an unauthorised holiday in term time could be subject to a fixed penalty fine. This is something we would like to avoid happening.

If you decide to still take your child out of school, without permission, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may refer the matter to Cornwall Council who may decide to take legal action against you. A penalty notice can be issued under Section 444A and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries a fine per child, per parent, of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice may result in Court action. Persistent absences not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates Court, leading to fines up to £2,500 and / or custodial sentences. The Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to court.

We have recently had a visit from our Educational Welfare Officer who has expressed their concern at the number of unauthorised holidays that are

being taken during term time. This is a plea to ask that you think very carefully before taking your children on holiday in school term time. If unauthorised absences continue, not only will pupil learning be affected but the management of the school will be questioned by the Educational Welfare Officer and Ofsted.

## Every School day counts

**Days off school add up to lost learning  
Don't let your child miss out on their education  
Every school day and minute counts**

<p style="font-size: 1.2em; color: blue; margin: 0;"><b>365 Days in each year</b></p> <p style="font-size: 1.2em; color: orange; margin: 0;"><b>175 non school days in a year</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs</p>					
<p style="font-size: 1.5em; color: orange; margin: 0;"><b>190</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em; color: orange; margin: 0;">School days in each year</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">190 days for your child's education</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.7em; margin: 0;">10 Days absence</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; margin: 0;"><b>180</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Days of education</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.7em; margin: 0;">19 Days absence</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; margin: 0;"><b>171</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Days of education</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.7em; margin: 0;">29 Days absence</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; margin: 0;"><b>161</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Days of education</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.7em; margin: 0;">38 Days absence</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; margin: 0;"><b>152</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Days of education</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.7em; margin: 0;">47 Days absence</p> <p style="font-size: 1.5em; margin: 0;"><b>143</b></p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">days of ed.</p>
100%	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%
<p style="color: green; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Good</p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em; margin: 0;">Best chance of success. Gets your child off to a flying start.</p>		<p style="color: orange; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Worrying</p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em; margin: 0;">Less chance of success. Makes it harder to make progress.</p>		<p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Serious Concern</p> <p style="font-size: 0.7em; margin: 0;">Not fair on your child.</p>	

COME TO SCHOOL ON TIME



**£60 FOR 3 DAYS  
OR £25 A DAY**

## **EASTER HOLIDAY SUPERCAMPS**

Come and take part in our EdVenture holiday provision, offering children a fantastic opportunity to build friendships through team sports and outdoor adventures, and explore their creativity with themed group games and arts & crafts.

**EASTER HOLIDAY SUPER CAMPS:  
TUE 4TH - THUR 6TH & TUE 11TH - THUR 13TH  
3 DAY SUPER CAMPS**

**5-7 YEARS | 8+ YEARS**

**RANGE OF ACTIVITIES INCLUDING:**

**DODGEBALL, DEN BUILDING, GYM,  
TENNIS, ARTS & CRAFTS, COMIC BOOKS,  
JEWELLERY, RUGBY, ASSAULT COURSE,  
CAPTURE THE FLAG, BOARD GAMES,  
FILMS, TEAM GAMES, ORIENTERRING  
TREASURE HUNT & LOTS MORE!**



**OTHER ACTIVITIES ALSO AVAILABLE:  
FOOTBALL, BMX, WATERSPORTS, DANCE  
FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE COURSES & HOW TO BOOK:  
[WWW.MYEDVENTURE.CO.UK](http://WWW.MYEDVENTURE.CO.UK)  
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