

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 23rd June 2023

We've had a another incredibly productive week at Mawnan School and we've been making the most of the lovely warm weather. Our many highlights include sports day, a visit from Ofsted and we have even had 100% attendance on a number of days this week.

I am immensely proud of our talented children and staff team for continuing to do what they do every day when our Ofsted inspectors visited this week. We will share the report with you as soon as we receive it, which hopefully will be before the end of term.

Thank you again to everyone who shared their views about the school through the Ofsted Parent View Questionnaire. Your responses really supported the inspection process.

The children will be starting their transition sessions next week and we will be welcoming our new EYFS children to school for the first time. All children will have the opportunity to shuffle up to the next year group on Friday afternoon.

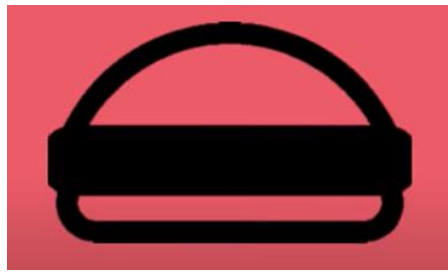
Best wishes for a wonderful weekend, I think we all need rest!

Miss Pridmore

Makaton sign of the week



The sign and symbol of the week is "



This week was also 'National Thanks a Teacher Day' (this applies to all school staff). At Mawnan School, we are very fortunate to be blessed with the most talented and supportive staff team who always deliver high quality education and exceptional emotional support for the children. I would like to say an enormous and heartfelt thank you to all teaching and support staff at Mawnan School. Thank you for your continued professionalism, enthusiasm and commitment to the school and our amazing learners. Thank you also for shining so brightly during our Ofsted inspection.

Upcoming Events

Please put these dates in your diaries:

July 2023

- 4th: Year 3 Elemental Beach Day
- 14th: Gin Night and Live Music
- 17th: Yr6 Leavers BBQ (time & venue tbc)
- 21st: Yr6 Leavers Service at school – 2pm Arrival
- 21st: Last Day of School
- 24th: 25th: Inset Days
- 26th: Summer Holidays

Attendance

This week, **four** of our classes reached our attendance target of 98% this week.

Oppie –	98.18%	1 - late
Topper –	98.71%	0 - late
Pico –	99.19%	2 - late
Fusion –	97.41%	0 – late
Dart –	100%	0 - late

Well done Dart Class for having the highest attendance this week.

Sports Day 2023

Thank you very much for coming to share sports day with us this afternoon. It was so amazing to see the whole school community together.

I'm sure you'll agree that it was a spectacular event that was filled with sporting talent, great sportsmanship, team spirit, perseverance and compassion. All of the children shone in their sporting talent, perfect behaviour and demonstrated that they are all wonderful human beings. Congratulations to all of the children for being so amazing.

We are delighted to share that our **RED** Team had the most points this year.

Thank you very much to Matt for his fantastic commentary, the WI for their help and our PTA for providing the BBQ and refreshments. Thank you also for providing every child with a refreshing lolly at the end of the races.





Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

Our wonderful Year 6 cohort will be moving onto secondary school at the end of this half term. The Year 6 leaver's assembly will be on Friday 21st July at 2:00pm. Please save the date.

Road Safety Reminder

Please ensure that you are parking responsibly at drop off and collection times. Please also ensure that you take very special care when you are reversing.



Road Safety

The 'Keep Clear' area by the gate needs to be kept clear to allow the children and their families to have a safe entrance into school

Mawnan Post Office – CLOSURE DATES



Due to staff holidays, Mawnan Post Office will be shut on the following dates:

- Tuesday, 27/06/2023
- Tuesday, 04/07/2023

Parent Questionnaire

We have sent out our annual parent questionnaire via email last week and we would really appreciate it if you could all take the time to complete this for us. The questionnaire will help us to fully understand your current view of the school and determine the ways that we can work together to continue to deliver the best education for your children.

Please feel free to add any comments at the end. If you would like to make an appointment with me to discuss any aspect of your feedback, please get in touch. We appreciate your support and thank you in advance for taking the time to answer our questionnaire. The questionnaire also has a link to an additional questionnaire about after school wrap around childcare.

Mawnan School does not currently provide after school wrap around childcare because we have not had sufficient demand to make the running of club financially viable.

Please complete this additional questionnaire if you have the need for after school wrap around childcare because we need to establish if there is sufficient need to proceed to the next stage.

Thank you for your time and feedback.

Mawnan School PTA

Our committed PTA are working hard to provide some fun summer fundraising events.

One of the events is GIN NIGHT, which will be taking place on Friday 14th July 2023 in our wonderful school garden.



The Gin provided is from Black and Gold Organic Distillery, nestled in the village of Ponsanooth.

Their distillery is a family-owned business, crafting exceptional gin using only the finest organic ingredients and traditional methods.

There will also be live music from 'My Friend John' a 7-piece local folk-rock band.

This will undoubtedly be a great night so make sure you get your tickets (£7 each – adults only) which will be on sale at Mawnan School PTA sale at 3:15pm (day tbc via Dojo post).



JULY 14

Gin + Music + Picnic

6-9pm
Friday 14th July 2023
GIN TALK & TASTERS
LIVE MUSIC
Bar with Gins, Tonics & Soft Drinks
Bring your own picnic (food only)

Tickets on sale at Mawnan School
£7 (adults only) cash or card (inc Talk, Taster & Music)

Brought to you by Mawnan PTA

Let the fun beGIN!

Summer Reading Challenge 2023

Ready, Set, Read!

Presented by The Reading Agency.
Delivered in partnership with libraries.

Dear Parents, Grandparents and Carers

Your child is invited to sign up for this year's [Summer Reading Challenge](#). Sign up at your local library!

What is the Summer Reading Challenge?

The Summer Reading Challenge encourages children to keep reading during the school summer holidays – and to enjoy anything they like to read! Children aged 4-11 are invited to set a reading goal, and collect rewards for their reading.

It's **FREE** to take part, and last year 75% of children taking part improved their reading skills over the holidays.¹

Why should my child sign up?

- They will be **better prepared to return to school** in the autumn.
- The Challenge **supports the move into a new year group**.
- Becoming more independent in their reading boosts children's **confidence and self-esteem**.
- The library provides **free access** to books and fun family activities all through the summer.
- Library staff are on hand to offer support and book recommendations.

Your child will be part of a UK-wide programme developed by [The Reading Agency](#) and delivered in partnership with the [public library network](#).

How can my child take part? (Library OR online)

In the library. Visit your local library and sign up. Your child will:

- Set a reading goal for the summer and borrow and read books, eBooks and audiobooks. Your child can choose anything they like to read!
- Receive a Challenge folder and collect special stickers and rewards for reading.

OR

Online. Take part online at summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

- Sign up on the [official Challenge website](#).
- Set a reading goal and get tips for accessing books for free at home.
- Unlock digital badges and online rewards, including a printable certificate.

When?

Throughout the **summer holidays**. Check with your local library to find out start & finish dates near you. Unsure where your closest library is? Use the [Library Finder](#) to check.

Head to your local library this summer and sign up! If you have any questions, please contact Falmouth Library, falmouth.library@liscornwall.org.uk, phone 01326 315014, or call in to Falmouth Library, The Moor, Falmouth, TR11 3QA.

Yours faithfully,

Jayne Cardew

Jayne Cardew
Library Manager
Falmouth Library

[1] The Reading Agency (2022) [Summer Reading Challenge 2022: Annual Report](#)

Want to know more?

- Find out more about the importance of reading and its impact on children's success [here](#).
- Visit the [official Summer Reading Challenge website](#) for free activities, competitions and videos.
- Keep up-to-date! [Follow @SummerReadingChallengeUK on Facebook](#).

What do families think?

*"I never liked reading before because of this challenge I got the **courage** to read more books and I have more interest in books. This has been the **greatest experience** ever in my life to read more books than before thanks."*

Girl, aged 12+

*"The challenge encouraged my child to **read more often**, and in turn encouraged **myself** as well."*

Parent/carer of 6-7 year-old boy

*"Enabled us to have some fun **cheap days out** and reading together has **brought us closer** than before."*

Parent/carer of 8-9 year-old girl

*"We've joined the reading challenge for the past 4 years and every year it has inspired and encouraged a deeper **joy** for reading. For a young dyslexic boy the challenge helps make reading **fun**."*

Parent/carer of 6-7 year-old boy

Uniform

Thank you for supporting our Mawnan uniform and for sending your children into school looking so smart every day. Logoed uniform can be purchased from Castle Sports either in town or online

<https://www.castlesports.co.uk/mawnan-school>

All orders need to be placed by **Saturday 22nd July** to ensure you receive your uniform in time for the School Year starting.

If your child has grown out of their Mawnan uniform, please pass it on to another family or bring it into school next week so we can pass it on to another family.

Uniform

Grey knee-length pinafore, skirt, trousers or shorts

Pale blue polo shirt

Navy blue sweatshirt or cardigan with school logo (from Castle Sports)

Grey or white socks or navy or grey tights

Black School shoes (no high boots or open toed sandals)

Navy blue and white gingham dress for summer wear

PE Uniform - to be worn on PE days. PE uniform will also be worn for competitions to further reduce costs.

Top : **White P.E. shirt with school logo (from Castle Sports) with Mawnan zipped sports top (from Castle Sports)**

Bottom: **Navy blue shorts (from Castle Sports), Navy blue Skort (from Castle Sports) or Mawnan tracksuit trousers (from Castle Sports)**

Footwear: Black, blue or white trainers

We need your used Plastic Bottles!

Surfer Against Sewage are aiming to collect a whopping 200,000 plastic bottles for a plastic awareness event in Cornwall at the end of July.

We need your help to collect as many as possible! Any size plastic bottle or milk bottle will do, as long as it is used, clean with lids on. Please don't squash them. Drop them to the school on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays in the white refuge sacks provided in the foyer of the school.



WE NEED YOUR

PLASTIC BOTTLES

HELP US TAKE A STAND AGAINST

PLASTIC POLLUTION

ALL YOU NEED TO DO IS MAKE SURE YOUR

BOTTLES ARE NOT CRUSHED

CLEAN WITH LIDS ON

AND WRAPPERS OFF



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 of 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/>

Term Dates

Our term dates and closure dates can be found here:

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	
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March 2024							April 2024							May 2024						
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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

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

<h3 style="color: blue;">365 Days in each year</h3> <h3 style="color: orange;">175 non school days in a year</h3> <p>175 days to spend on family time, visits, holidays, shopping, household jobs</p>					
<p style="color: orange; font-size: 1.2em;">190</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; color: orange;">School days in each year</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">190 days for your child's education</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.8em;">10 Days absence</p>	<p style="font-size: 1.5em;">180</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Days of education</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.8em;">19 Days absence</p>	<p style="font-size: 1.5em;">171</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Days of education</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.8em;">29 Days absence</p>
	<p style="font-size: 0.8em;">38 Days absence</p>	<p style="font-size: 1.5em;">161</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Days of education</p>	<p style="font-size: 0.8em;">47 Days absence</p>	<p style="font-size: 1.5em;">152</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Days of education</p>	<p style="font-size: 1.5em;">143</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">days of ed.</p>
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<p style="color: green; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">Good</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Best chance of success. Gets your child off to a flying start.</p>		<p style="color: orange; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">Worrying</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Less chance of success. Makes it harder to make progress.</p>		<p style="color: red; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.1em;">Serious Concern</p> <p style="font-size: 0.8em;">Not fair on your child.</p>	

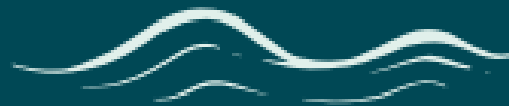
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THE TRUSTEES OF
CHILDREN'S SAILING TRUST
INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR
BUCKS FIZZ AND PASTRIES
BY THE HELFORD RIVER



Friday 14th July 4-6pm

Porth Saxon Beach, Mawnan Smith TR11 5HX
Directions overleaf, please get in touch if you have
mobility requirements and we'll do our best to help

RSVP IS REQUIRED

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND LIMITED FREE TICKETS:
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WHAT3WORDS: ///PUNTERS.SUPPERS.EYEPIECES

PARK: Mawnan Old Church
Bosveal NT Car Park above Durgan Village
Carwinion Road in Mawnan Smith Village

WALK: Embark on a scenic walk to the beach as shown on the map

BOAT: Boat transfers from Helford or Helford Passage are also available

FURTHER DETAILS:
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