

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 13th October 2023

Flo's Red Cross Ukraine Fundraiser

Recently, Flo decided that she would like raise money for the Red Cross Ukraine Appeal and decided to do it by having a cake sale at the Mawnan Fun Run. She baked all the cakes herself, independently set up her stall - staying until the very end to ensure she could raise as much as possible. She raised a wonderful £45! Well done Flo for your kindness, compassion and letting your light shine so brightly! What a Star!



Waterproof Coats

As we transition into the autumn season, it is important to ensure that our children are well-prepared for the changing weather. With rain becoming more frequent, it is essential that each child has a waterproof coat in school. This will allow them to enjoy outdoor activities and play without the worry of getting wet and cold. Please ensure that your child brings a waterproof coat to school every day, as we want them to be able to fully participate in all the fun and educational opportunities that await them.

Penryn Partnership Sports Leagues

We are delighted to share that both our netball and football teams performed exceptionally well during this year's Penryn Partnership sports league. We are awaiting the final result and will share them with you as soon as we can!

We are extremely proud of both of these teams and are especially proud of the determination, drive and sportsmanship that they put into every match.

We would like to thank our dedicated coaches Gill and Christian and our families for their continued support throughout the league.

Football:

No match this week

Netball:

Mawnan 9 – 1 Kennall Vale

Mawnan 10 – 3 Stithians



Harvest

The whole school walked to St Michael's Church on Thursday, where we held our annual Harvest Service with Rev Johanna. It was a joyous occasion, filled with beautiful hymns, heartfelt prayers, and a sense of community that truly warmed our hearts. We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for your generous food donations for the Trussell Trust food bank. Your contributions have made a significant difference in the lives of those in need, and for that, we are immensely grateful. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.



Year 5 & 6 Sailing

Our Yr 5 & 6 sailing with the HRCST has finished until the summer term. The children learnt how to rig a boat, tack, recover a capsized boat and de rig a boat. They also attempted to see how many children it took to sink an Oppie and had great evening swims after sailing! We're so impressed with the progress that the children have made in such a short amount of time.





Dates to Remember 2023/2024

<u>2023 Dates</u>	<u>Event</u>
Thurs 19 th Oct	PTA AGM – 3:30pm School Garden Gazebo
Mon 30 th Oct	INSET DAY
Tues 7 th Nov	TEMPEST: School Photos – Individual and Siblings
Mon 13 th – Fri 17 th Nov	Parent Teacher Meetings (a google form to sign will be sent out to parents nearer the time)
Mon 13 th Nov	Anti-Bullying – Odd Socks Day
Fri 17 th Nov	Children in Need – Non-Uniform Day
Thurs 7 th Dec	Christingle Service at St. Michael's Church
Fri 8 th Dec	Mawnan Christmas Jumper Day
Mon 11 th Dec	1-3pm Oppie & Topper Nativity Dress Rehearsal
Tues 12 th Dec	2pm (for a 2:15pm start) Oppie & Topper Nativity Afternoon Performance
Wed 13 th Dec	School Christmas Dinner
Wed 13 th Dec	6-7pm Oppie & Topper Nativity Evening Performance

<u>2024 Dates</u>	<u>Event</u>
Mon 4 th – Fri 8 th March	Parent Teacher Meetings (a google form to sign will be sent out to parents nearer the time)
Thurs 7 th March	World Book Day
Fri 8 th March	Mother's Day breakfast
Thurs 25 th April	TEMPEST: Class Photographs
Friday 14 th June	Father's Day breakfast
Fri 5 th July	Sports Day
Fri 12 th July	Sports Day (reserve date)

Christmas Cards are back!

Children can design their own Christmas cards, mugs, tea towels and gift tags with this great and festive PTA fundraiser. Forms will be sent home next week for the children to complete over Half Term. If siblings would like to design one too, extra forms are available from the school office.



Holidays during Term Time

As you may be aware, the school has always placed great importance on regular attendance and its positive impact on students' academic progress and overall development. Consistent attendance is crucial to ensure that children receive the education they deserve and have the best opportunity to reach their full potential.

However, in recent weeks, we have received a noticeable increase in the number of requests for holidays during term time. While we understand that there may be exceptional circumstances that warrant such requests, it is important to remember that any absence from school can disrupt a child's learning and impact their ability to keep up with the curriculum.

The school's policy regarding family holidays during term time is in line with the guidelines set by the Department for Education. We can only authorize absences in exceptional circumstances, such as family bereavement or illness, where documentary evidence is provided. Absences for reasons such as family holidays, birthdays, or visiting relatives are considered unauthorised and may result in penalties from the local authority. We strongly encourage you to plan family holidays during the designated school breaks to ensure your child does not miss out on valuable learning experiences.

We understand that there may be unique situations where taking a holiday during term time cannot be avoided. In such cases, we kindly request that you submit a 'request for leave during term time form' to the school office, explaining the exceptional circumstances and providing any supporting documents. Please note that each request will be considered on an individual basis, and that absence for holidays during term time will only be granted in exceptional cases.

Your commitment to your child's education is greatly appreciated, and together, we can ensure their success.

PTA AGM Meeting

Our PTA AGM will be held on **Thursday 19th October** and we would love you to join us!

The meeting will be an opportunity for us to welcome new members, reflect on last year's events and begin to plan our future successes!

Funds raised by the PTA in the past include Christmas gifts and crafts, resources to support the curriculum, the installation and maintenance of the adventure playground and much more!

We would really love to welcome some new members to ensure that we can continue to support the school. Please come along!

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Chair of Mawnan PTA

JOIN US FOR OUR

PTA AGM MEETING

TOGETHER EVERYONE ACHIEVES MORE

October 19, 2023

3.30PM IN SCHOOL GARDEN GAZEBO

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!
PARENTS, TEACHERS
FRIENDS, FAMILY
COMMUNITY MEMBERS

We need HELPERS!

COME LEARN ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF JOINING
AND HOW YOU CAN MAKE A POSITIVE DIFFERENCE!

We ❤️ Mawnan School!!

Free School Meals

A child is eligible for free school meals if their parent/carer (or the child themselves) receives any of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (provided you have an annual net earned income of no more than £7,400, as assessed by earnings from up to three of your most recent assessment periods).
- Income Support (IS)
- Job Seekers' Allowance (Income-Based) and equal based Job Seekers Allowance
- Income Related Employment and Support Allowance (ESA-IR) and equal based Employment and Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (CTC) with an annual income of less than £16,190
- Working Tax Credit run-on - paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Guarantee Element of Pension Credit (GPC)
- Immigration and Asylum Act 1999 (IAA) Supports

You can apply for Free School Meals and Pupil Premium online.

[Apply for free school meals](#)

If you receive any of the above, your child may be eligible for Pupil Premium funding. This includes free school meals, as well as funding for the school to provide high quality teaching including staff professional development, targeted academic support and support with non-academic barriers to improve academic outcomes.

Morning Snack Time

We are a Healthy School and like to encourage the children to eat a balanced and healthy diet. The children in Oppie and Topper receive a piece of fruit or veg as part of the government's scheme. We would also like the children in Pico, Fusion and Dart to have fresh fruit and vegetables for a snack if possible. This also helps us to reduce the amount of single use plastic that comes into school.



Please also make sure that the children have a name labelled water bottle in school and if your child brings a snack in a box please name label this so we can return it.

Half Term EdVenture

Penryn College are running their EdVenture Holiday activities over the October Half Term Holiday. Parents need to book activities using the online website - www.myedventure.co.uk.

Parents can also pay using childcare voucher schemes if they contact Penryn College directly.



OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS

Come and take part in our EdVenture half term 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.

TUE 24TH OCT - THUR 26TH OCT

3 DAY SUPER CAMPS
5-7 YEARS | 8+ YEARS

FEATURING A RANGE OF HALLOWEEN THEMED ACTIVITIES INCLUDING:

DODGEBALL, DEN BUILDING, GYM, PAPER PLANE WARS, ARTS & CRAFTS, DANCE OFF, FOOTBALL, GYMNASTICS, CAPTURE THE FLAG, BOARD GAMES, FILMS, TEAM CHALLENGES & LOTS MORE!

**JUST £75 FOR 3 DAYS
OR £30 A DAY**



MON 23RD & FRI 27TH OCT

FULL/HALF DAY CAMPS:

**NETBALL
FOOTBALL
CLIMBING
CLAY
MAGIC TRICKS
AND MORE...**

FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE COURSES & HOW TO BOOK:

**WWW.MYEDVENTURE.CO.UK
01326 372379**

Reception 2024

If you have or know a family with a child born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020, online applications can now be made for a place in next year's Reception classes.

https://cornwall.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/SynergyWeb/School_Admissions/

The deadline for applications is 15th January 2024.

We have booked in a number of dates for school tours for respective parents. If you know anyone who'd like to join us please ask them to phone the school office.



The poster features the Cornwall Council logo and the slogan 'Together for Families'. It includes a pink circular callout stating 'The deadline for applications is 15 January 2024'. Below the title 'Starting school September 2024', there is a photograph of four diverse children smiling. The text provides details on applying for a reception class place for children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020. A green box at the bottom contains information about attending a nursery or pre-school, contact details for the School Admissions Team, and the website www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions.

CORNWALL COUNCIL
Together for Families

Starting school
September 2024

The deadline for applications is 15 January 2024

Applying for a place in a reception class for children born between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020

Attending a nursery or pre-school
You will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. Please note that if a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Information and guidance
Website and application form: www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions
Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk
Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY
Telephone: 0300 1234 101

www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

Applying for a reception class place for September 2024

Special Educational Needs

If an Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plan has been issued for your child you do not need to complete an application form. Please contact the Statutory SEN Service for more information: Tel: 01872 324242 Email: statutorysen@cornwall.gov.uk

1 Decide on your preferred schools

You are strongly advised to name **three** preferences on the application form. **Naming a second or third preference does not give you any less chance of getting a place at your preferred school.** When making your decision you should...

...think about how you will get your child to school. Go to www.cornwall.gov.uk/schooltransport for more information on whether your child would be entitled to home to school travel assistance.

...look at the admission arrangements on our website that will be used to allocate places for each school.

...consider naming your nearest or designated school as one of your preferences. You can find your nearest or designated school on our website.

...look at the detailed admissions information on our website, also available on request.

2 Submit your application by 15 January 2024

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

3 Wait to find out which school you have been allocated

If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 16 April 2024**. **Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

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Secondary School 2024

If you are applying for a Year 7 place at secondary school for September 2024, the deadline for applications is 31st October 2023.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions>

Email: schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk

Tel: 0300 1234 101



Together for Families

The deadline for applications is **31 October 2023**

Transfer to secondary school

September 2024

Applying for a place in year seven at a secondary school



Information and guidance

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Telephone: 0300 1234 101

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Applying for a secondary school place for September 2024

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2 Submit your application by 31 October 2023

Apply online at www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions

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If you applied on time you will be notified of your allocation on **National Offer Day: 1 March 2024. Apply on time!** Late applications will only be dealt with after National Offer Day and there may not be any places left at your preferred schools.

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Penryn
College

"Achieving through Challenge"

September 2023

EXAM INVIGILATORS, READERS & SCRIBES

There are several different aspects to the job, including general invigilation of exams as well as reading and scribing for pupils.

Our main exam period runs for six weeks, during May and June (with a half term break in between) we ideally like all our invigilators to be available during this period.

We also have several weeks throughout the year to run our mock exams and these usually take place for 2-week periods during November and February.

During the course of the year we have BTEC exams, various assessments and practical exams so, if you want some extra work it is available to you. The current rate of pay for the role is £10.49 per hour.

The invigilation team are a lovely bunch of people and a great team to work with.

If you are interested in the position and would like an application form or if you have any questions about the role, please email examsteam@penryn-college.cornwall.sch.uk



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Term Dates

Our term dates and closure dates can be found here:

https://mawnancofeprimary.eschools.co.uk/web/term_dates/521213

INSET Days – 2023/2024

Monday 4th September 2023

Monday 30th October 2023

22nd, 23rd and 24th July 2024

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



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

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

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

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

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

February 2024						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23		
Sat	3	10	17	24		
Sun	4	11	18	25		

March 2024						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

April 2024						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24		
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

May 2024						
Mon		6	13	20	27	
Tue		7	14	21	28	
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

June 2024						
Mon		3	10	17	24	
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29	
Sun	2	9	16	23	30	

July 2024						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

August 2024						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

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.

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.

More information can be found on the Education Welfare Service website: <https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/schools-and-education/education-welfareservice/#holidays>

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.