

# 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 22nd September 2023

## Exciting News!

We are delighted to share with you that Miss Blight has had her baby. His name is Ned Michael and both mum and baby are doing very well.

When Miss Blight returns to school she will be using her married name Mrs Luscombe.

We are all really looking forward to meeting baby Ned soon!

## Collective Worship

Our collective worship for this half term is focused around our school value of compassion.

More information about this value can be found here:

<https://www.mawnanschool.com/web/compassion/433788>

## Coats

Now that the weather is starting to get a little bit colder, and we've had a lot of rainy days, we would just like to remind everyone to make sure all children wrap up warmly and bring a coat to school every day.


Please could you ensure that all coats are clearly labelled

# Reading Partners


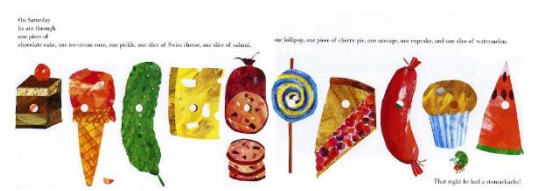
On Friday morning we found out who we will be working with during shared reading this year. All of the children will have a partner from a different year group to read with and share their learning successes with. Spending time with our reading partners is a highlight of our week and it helps us to work together as a caring school community.



Why would that happen? I'll tell you why. If a person has ugly thoughts, it begins to show on the face. And when that person has ugly thoughts every day, every week, every year, the face gets uglier and uglier until it gets so ugly you can hardly bear to look at it.



A person who has good thoughts cannot ever be ugly. You can have a wonky nose and a crooked mouth and a double chin and stick-out teeth, but if you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely.

## School Photographs

The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023, to take individual, sibling and family group photographs.

TEMPEST  
PHOTOGRAPHY

If you would like your pre-school child photographed with their school aged siblings, then you will need to be in the school hall from 8.15am. Photos with Pre-school siblings will take place between 08:30am-9:00am.

Due to the large number of children currently in school, the photographer must start the school photographs at 9am.

## Dates to Remember 2023/2024

<u>2023 Dates</u>	<u>Event</u>
Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest Festival Service <b>(TBC)</b>
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	TEMPEST: School Photos – Individual and Siblings
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> – Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parent Teacher Meetings (a google form to sign will be sent out to parents nearer the time)
Mon 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Anti-Bullying – Odd Socks Day
Fri 17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Children in Need – Non-Uniform Day
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christingle Service at St. Michael's Church
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Save The Children - Christmas Jumper Day
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	School Christmas Dinner

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

## 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.

## Harvest Service

In October (date tbc) we will be having our Harvest Services with Rev Johanna Clare at St Michael's Church. We would like all of the children to bring in some harvest gift donations for The Trussell Trust Food Bank to take to the church on this day.



Here is a list of food donations that they would like:

TINNED MEAT MEALS

SPAGHETTI

SHAMPOO

TINNED SPAGHETTI

PASTA SAUCES

LADIES/MENS DEODORANT

WASHING UP LIQUID

BAKED BEANS

MEAT SOUPS

DRINKING CHOCOLATE

JAM

SAVOURY BISCUITS

RICE PUDDING

CUSTARD

COOKING OIL (SMALL)

SHAVING FOAM

TOILET ROLLS

TINNED PEAS & CARROTS

TUNA

DRY CAT FOOD

WASHING POWDER/TABLETS

SHOWER GEL

TINNED FRUIT

TINNED TOMATOES

COFFEE (LARGE JARS IF POSSIBLE)

TINNED SWEETCORN

CEREAL

BISCUITS



JOIN US FOR OUR

  **PTA**    **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!!

## Mawnan Fun Run 2023

Run Mawnan is a family friendly annual event put together by Falmouth Rotary in order to raise money for some fantastic local charities and community groups. One almost unique part is the kids' 1-mile fun run (under 12 years), which you won't find in many other running events. Kids can also enter the 5k (as can their parents and carers...), but the 10k is for adults only. There are some great prizes for all age groups, from cream teas to overnight stays in four-star hotels.

In addition to the goody bag for pre-entries, you will find a barbecue and a wide range of stands at the event selling cakes, drinks, and a wide assortment of other delights.

You can enter via the paper form that came home in your book bags, or online at <https://runmawnan.org.uk/>





**Run Mawnan 2023**  
10K • 5K • 1 Mile

**A FUN EVENT FOR ALL THE FAMILY!**

5km and 10km races  
plus a  
1 mile children's fun run

**Sunday 1st October 2023 at 10am**

Start & finish in  
Carwinion Playing Fields, Mawnan



Organised by Falmouth Rotary Club to raise funds for local & international charities



Fantastic prizes for male & female winners of each course  
Prize for the best fancy dress  
All those who pre-enter will receive a medal and goody bag

With grateful thanks to our sponsors & supporters:





# Cake donations

needed to help PTA raise funds  
for our lovely school  
at the Mawnan FunRun



*Kindly drop off cakes on the day of the run, Oct 1<sup>st</sup>, in the morning, from 9am at the cake stand in **Carwinion Playing Field** – thank you!*

## Chocolate Tombola

Our PTA are also holding a Chocolate Tombola fundraising stall at the Mawnan Fun Run.

Any chocolate donations for this stall would be greatly appreciated and can be brought into school and placed in the labelled box outside of our school office.





# 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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.



**CORNWALL COUNCIL**  
Together for Families

The deadline for applications is 15 January 2024

## Starting school September 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](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions)  
Email: [schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto:schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk)  
Post: School Admissions Team, County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY  
Telephone: 0300 1234 101

[www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://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](mailto: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](http://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](http://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 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023.

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

Email: [schooladmissions@cornwall.gov.uk](mailto: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

Website and application form: [www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions](http://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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# 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)

## 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.