

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 10th December 2021



Despite the stormy weather, we have had a wonderful week at school. The children have shone in everything they have done and we continue to be immensely proud of them. Our highlights this week have been visiting St Michael's Church for our Christingle services, preparing for our nativity plays, our lovely secret Santa book sale and Christmas jumper day.

We have lots more to look forward to next week!

Have a lovely weekend,

Miss Pridmore

Upcoming Events

Attendance

Please put these dates in your diaries:

December 2021

See below the list of exciting events taking place for our last week of school.

Last day of School: Friday 17th Dec
Start of Term: Tuesday 4th Jan

Unfortunately, none of our classes reached our attendance target of 98%.

Oppie –	95.36%	1 - late
Topper –	93.24%	0 - late
Pico –	85.66%	2 - late
Fusion –	80.71%	0 – late
Dart –	96.85%	0 - late

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

School Term Dates 2021/2022

Cornwall Council

2021/22 school term dates for community and voluntary-controlled schools



September 2021						October 2021						November 2021						
Mon		6	13	20	27	Mon		4	11	18	25	Mon		1	8	15	22	29
Tue		7	14	21	28	Tue		5	12	19	26	Tue		2	9	16	23	30
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	Wed		6	13	20	27	Wed		3	10	17	24	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	Thurs		7	14	21	28	Thurs		4	11	18	25	
Fri	3	10	17	24	Fri	1	8	15	22	29	Fri		5	12	19	26		
Sat	4	11	18	25	Sat	2	9	16	23	30	Sat		6	13	20	27		
Sun	5	12	19	26	Sun	3	10	17	24	31	Sun		7	14	21	28		

December 2021						January 2022						February 2022						
Mon		6	13	20	27	Mon		3	10	17	24	31	Mon		7	14	21	28
Tue		7	14	21	28	Tue		4	11	18	25	Tue	1	8	15	22		
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	Wed		5	12	19	26	Wed	2	9	16	23		
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Sat	4	11	18	25	Sat	2	9	16	23	30	Sat	5	12	19	26			
Sun	5	12	19	26	Sun	3	10	17	24	31	Sun	6	13	20	27			

March 2022						April 2022						May 2022						
Mon		7	14	21	28	Mon		4	11	18	25	Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	Tue		5	12	19	26	Tue	3	10	17	24	31	
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Sun	6	13	20	27	Sun	3	10	17	24	31	Sun	1	8	15	22	29		

June 2022						July 2022						August 2022						
Mon		6	13	20	27	Mon		4	11	18	25	Mon		1	8	15	22	29
Tue		7	14	21	28	Tue		5	12	19	26	Tue		2	9	16	23	30
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School holidays

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2021
Boxing Day	26 December 2021
Bank Holiday (in lieu of 25/26 Dec)	27&28 December 2021
New Years Day	01 January 2022
Bank Holiday (in lieu of 1 Jan)	03 January 2022
Good Friday	15 April 2022
Easter Monday	18 April 2022
May Bank Holiday	02 May 2022
Spring Bank Holiday	02 June 2022
Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday	03 June 2022
Summer Bank Holiday	30 August 2022

AUTUMN TERM (70 days)

6 September - 17 December 2021
 (HALF TERM 25-29 October 2021)

SPRING TERM (64 days)

4 January - 8 April 2022
 (HALF TERM 21-25 February 2022)

SUMMER TERM (61 days)

25 April - 26 July 2022
 (HALF TERM 30 May - 3 June 2022)

195 days are included on the school calendar. Schools would normally be open to pupils for 190 days, with the 5 additional days allotted for In-Service Training. However, in 2021/22 schools will be open to pupils for 189 days in order to take account of the extra Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday in June 2022. Schools will individually set their additional Platinum Jubilee closure day in lieu from within the 2021/22 term dates.

Inset (School Closure Days) June 6th and June 7th



Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday June 8th

Inset (School Closure Day) July 25th and 26th



Thank you for helping us to support Save the Children with Christmas jumper this year. Together we have raised £106.79 to support this charity.

Christmas Events

Monday 13th December	Oppie Nativity	Oppie and Topper will be performing an individual Nativity this year for their parents. Please see class dojo for your allocated afternoon and for our COVID-19 measures.
Tuesday 14th December	Oppie Nativity	
Wednesday 15th December	Topper Nativity	
Thursday 16th December	Topper Nativity	<p>All performances will start at 2:15pm – please see below for more details.</p> <p>The PTA will be selling raffle tickets as you arrive but we will not be offering refreshments this year.</p>
Thursday 16th December		Christmas Dinner - You can now book this on parent pay.
Friday 17th December		For our last day of term, we would like all of the children to come into school in their sparkliest clothes . We will also be having our class parties on this day and a special visitor will be coming to join us!

Oppie and Topper Nativity

We are incredibly excited about performing our Nativity performances next week to the Oppie and Topper families.

In order to keep our school community safe, we will be following government guidelines as well as our school COVID-19 mitigation measures to ensure that our wonderful school community have the healthy, happy Christmas they deserve.

Both performances will be in the afternoon and will start at 2.15pm-ish to finish at the end of school. You are welcome to arrive from 2:05pm and PTA will be selling raffle tickets as you enter.

We will be asking all family members attending the performances to follow the government COVID-19 guidelines at all times and only attend if they are well.

Our COVID-19 measures in place will be:

- administer a lateral flow test before coming into school
- hand sanitizing on entry to the school
- face masks to be worn at all times (unless you are exempt)
- the hall will be ventilated, so please bring a coat
- families will enter from the main entrance of the school (the PTA will be selling raffle tickets so please bring some cash)
- collection of children will take place on the playground at the normal pick up areas and times
- do not attend if there is confirmed COVID-19 in your household or if you have been identified as a close contact or if you are awaiting a PCR result or if you feel unwell.

We realise that others may wish to see our shows so we will be recording the performances for you to share and enjoy. This will also form a back-up in case we have the disappointing news that we need to withdraw our "live" offer due to confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the infant classes.

Thank you for your help, patience and understanding, and we look forward to welcoming you to our festive offerings next week.

Mawnan PTA

Our brilliant Mawnan PTA continues to provide incredible support to the school and they fund lots of our special events, activities and resources.

We know that fundraising during a pandemic is a challenge and would like to thank them all for their continued ambition and support. We would also like to thank you all for enthusiastically supporting all of our fundraising activities.

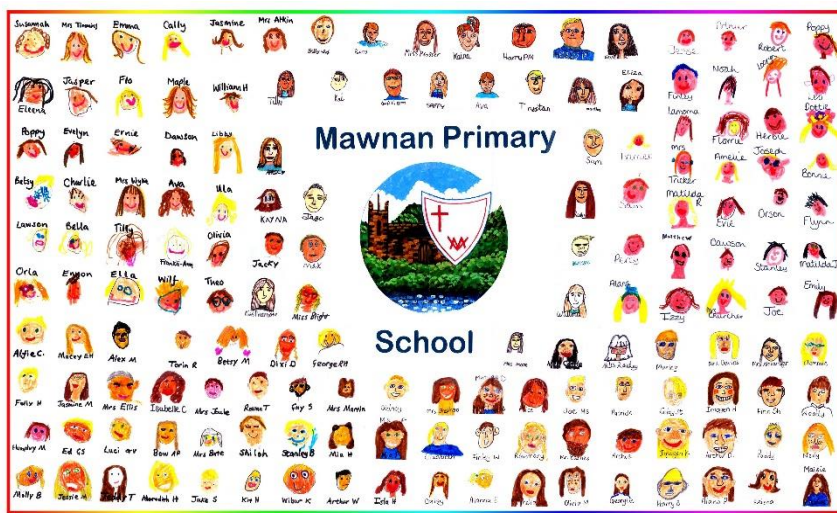
This term the school has benefited from:

- Christmas craft resources and gifts
- hot chocolate at the Trebah light parade
- repairs on the adventure playground
- our beautiful Christmas tree



Supporting the PTA

The Mawnan School Tea-Towels will be available after school on Monday 13th December for you to purchase. This classy tea-towel will make the perfect gift for your loved ones and at the bargain price of £6 for 1, 2 for £10 and 3 for £15.



PTA Grand Christmas Raffle

Our PTA are doing a Grand Christmas Raffle with great prizes to be won:

- £25 Voucher for Oyster Catcher
- A bag of fresh Coffee beans from Awna
- A voucher for Wild Vibes café
- Cream Tea for Two at the Greenbank Hotel
- £25 Voucher for Manning's in Truro
- £15 Gylly Beach Café Voucher
- Pink Hoody from Session age12/13
- Two tubs of Roses Chocolates

The Raffle tickets will be sold for £1 a strip, at each KS1 Nativity Play (Mon 13th – Thurs 16th Dec) and at the T-Towel sale Stall on Monday. The draw will be held on Thursday 16th December.

Asda Foundation Green Token Giving Scheme



"Mawnan School's PTA has been put forward for the Asda Foundation Green Token Giving scheme from 1st December until 31st January 2022.

First prize is £500 towards school funds!

Please vote for us by visiting www.asda.com/green-tokens and selecting Falmouth from the drop-down box. You can vote from as many different devices that you have in your household and also vote once per week!

Please share and get voting for some much-needed PTA funding for our fabulous school!"

COVID-19 Update

There has been confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Pico and Fusion Class this week.

From the Department for Education

On Wednesday 8 December, the Prime Minister announced the implementation of Plan B of the COVID-19 Response: Autumn and Winter Plan, to reduce pressure on the NHS. Plan B sets out a number of additional measures across society to control transmission of COVID-19.

The Government is clear on the critical importance of not disrupting the education of children and young people and the Government will prioritise keeping all education and childcare settings open. The measures set out below will support this.

Attendance

School attendance remains mandatory and all the usual rules continue to apply. Enabling children and young people to attend their education setting regularly continues to be a national priority. As usual, schools are able to grant leaves of absence for pupils in exceptional circumstances.

Testing

We strongly encourage all those involved in education and childcare settings to continue regular testing (LFD not PCR) and reporting their results, and to encourage pupils and students in year 7 and above to test and report their results.

Settings are strongly encouraged to ask parents, guardians and other visitors to take a lateral flow device (LFD) test before entering the setting.

Isolation rules

*All individuals who have been identified as a close contact of a suspected or confirmed case of the Omicron variant of COVID-19, **irrespective of vaccination status and age, will continue to be required to self-isolate and asked to book a PCR test.***

The Government plans to introduce Daily Contact Testing as soon as possible as an alternative to self-isolation for contacts of positive Omicron cases who are fully vaccinated or under the age of 18 years and 6 months.

Mawnan Measures

Until further notice our measures are:

1. Remain in our class bubbles whilst we are in the school building and key stage bubbles will only mix outside.
2. Routine and regular handwashing along with good respiratory hygiene.
3. Classrooms will be well ventilated.
4. Cleaning will be increased.
5. Staff will increase the frequency of lateral flow tests.
6. Staff will be wearing facemasks in communal areas and when working in close proximity to children.

Please ensure that you play your part and follow our guidance:

- 1. If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PCR test (NOT a Lateral Flow Test). If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test. **If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate. (The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated – but instead should book a PCR test). Please let us know if someone in your household tests positive so we can provide support for you.****
2. Please make use of the lateral flow tests - Twice weekly lateral flow testing should continue for all education staff and all families and households of children attending schools. Please use lateral flow tests over the weekend to test the household before returning to school.
3. Maintain a 2 metre distance from other families and staff whilst at school.
4. Wear face coverings if you are unable to maintain a 2 metre distance whilst on school grounds.
5. Swiftly exit the school grounds and do not gather in groups.

6. Keep the one-way system clear so everyone is able to safely enter and exit the school grounds. To avoid crowding at the end of the day please could we request that you keep to the one-way system and **do not stand by the front gates**. If you are waiting for a KS2 child please stand in a space in the carpark (ideally stand in the same spot every day so your child can find you more easily).

Please ensure that you read the COVID-19 update

December Kindness 2021

SUNDAY



5 Give a gift to someone who is homeless or feeling lonely

MONDAY



6 Leave a positive message for someone else to find

TUESDAY



7 Give kind comments to as many people as possible today

WEDNESDAY

1 Spread kindness and share the December calendar with others

8 Do something helpful for a friend or family member

THURSDAY

2 Contact someone you can't be with to see how they are

9 Notice when you're hard on yourself or others and be kind instead

FRIDAY

3 Offer to help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment

10 Listen wholeheartedly to others without judging them

SATURDAY

4 Support a charity, cause or campaign you really care about

11 Buy an extra item and donate it to a local food bank

12 Be generous. Feed someone with food, love or kindness today

13 See how many different people you can smile at today

14 Share a happy memory or inspiring thought with a loved one

15 Contact an older neighbour and brighten up their day

16 Look for something positive to say to everyone you speak to

17 Give thanks. List the kind things others have done for you

18 Ask for help and let someone else discover the joy of giving

19 Contact someone who may be alone or feeling isolated

20 Help others by giving away something that you don't need

21 Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you

22 Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed

23 Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness

24 Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh

25 Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!

26 Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature

27 Call a relative who is far away to say hello and have a chat

28 Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy

29 Turn off digital devices and really listen to people

30 Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why

31 Plan some new acts of kindness to do in 2022



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