



# Marazion School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you already know Marazion School is opening for ALL children for FULL TIME education on 7th September 2020.

Here are a few reminders and some updates following more recent government guidance. You can access government guidelines at:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-schools-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak/guidance-for-full-opening-schools>

## **CLASS BUBBLES**

- Marazion School is working with separate class bubbles of children with teachers and additional adults usually remaining in the bubbles
- Additional adults will be deployed to provide the most appropriate provision for the children in order to accelerate progress
- Groupings may include one to one sessions, both during the school day as well as after school
- Parents will be informed when after school one to one sessions start
- Some additional adults may work across bubbles but only where they can work safely at a social distance and in a well ventilated space
- Any adults working outside can also work across bubbles
- Each class bubble has a separate indoor and outdoor space – children are learning outside the classroom as much as possible (even more than before!)
- Please note that we do not have separate toilets for the different groups of children. However, children will use the toilets two at a time and the toilets will be thoroughly cleaned daily, including in the middle of the day where necessary.

## **STAGGERED START/FINISH**

From September, the school day is staggered:

- Children in Love (Year R/1) and Courage (Year 4/5) start @ 8.30am and finish @ 2.45pm. Children in Love need to be dropped off/picked up at the playground gate; children in Courage need to be dropped off/picked up at the start of the school driveway

- Children in Hope (Year 2) start @ 8.45am and finish @ 3pm. Children in Hope need to be dropped off/picked up at the playground gate
- Children in Faith (Year 3/4) and children in Empowerment (Year 6) start @ 9am and finish @ 3.15pm. Children in Faith need to be dropped off/picked up at the playground gate; children in Empowerment need to be dropped off/picked up at the main playing field gate
- For at least the first half term, there is no Breakfast Club and limited after school clubs

## **LUNCHTIMES**

- From September all school meals are packed lunches, at least for the first half term
- All children (including children in Year R, 1 and 2) can bring their own packed lunch from home
- Any children who are eligible for either universal free school meals (Year R, 1 and 2) or who receive free school meals can have a FREE school packed lunch provided for them
- Please make sure that you let the school office know on **Mondays** if your child/children require a FREE school packed lunch
- Please note that you can order a school packed lunch for your child /children at a cost of £2.30 per day / £11.50 per week. Again, dinner money needs to be sent with your child on Mondays.

## **Please note that the FOLLOWING MEASURES remain in place:**

- Rigorous health and safety assessments to minimise risk so that it is safe for both children and staff. These remain very different to the usual health and safety procedures that we have in school but we are getting used to them
- An appendix to the Behaviour Policy, which details new rules and routines that children and adults must follow during the school day
- An amended Staff Code of Conduct, which details new rules and routines for staff
- Close monitoring of child and family health - minimising contact with individuals who are unwell by ensuring that those who have coronavirus symptoms, or who have someone in their household who does, do not attend school
- Adults and pupils showing symptoms will be sent home immediately and will be asked to self isolate along with any groups that the adults/children have had contact with. The government has stated that there will be testing available for adults and children in school and their families. However, we do not currently have information about how this will work effectively in Cornwall
- Rigorous sanitisation procedures including washing hands, cleaning surfaces maintaining respiratory hygiene – Catch it, Bin it, Kill it etc
- Daily deep cleaning of the school
- Staggered drop off and pick up times (see above) with NO social gathering by parents or children on school grounds or close by

- **NO parking on School Lane except in exceptional circumstances (these do not include either bad weather or lateness) – adults and children are asked to walk/cycle for the last part of their journey to school.** A reminder that parents can park in the Community Centre car park at drop off and pick up times. Please speak to Laura or Ed in the office to organise a parking permit.
- All classes to be well ventilated and a focus on learning outside the classroom
- NO visitors or parents allowed on the school site unless they have booked an appointment
- Parents' Meetings to take place outside (with pre-booked appointments) or via Zoom/Teams
- Daily meet and greet with HT/AHT/class teachers outside in the fresh air at the start/end of the school day. Miss Rainbow/Miss Oliver will usually be at the end of the school drive or by the school gate at both the start and end of the school day.

Please also note that Marazion School will close to all pupils on Friday afternoons: Love (Year R/1) and Courage (Year 4/5) finish @ 1pm; Hope (Y2) finish @ 1.15pm; Faith and Empowerment finish @ 1.30pm. This is to allow staff to have planning, preparation and assessment time and the cleaning team to carry out a thorough weekly extended deep clean. Funky Friday (FF) activities will be posted on Seesaw for Friday afternoons but teachers will not be responding to this learning during the afternoon. However, links can be made to FF activities during the rest of the school week. Children will have different FF activities each week linked to a common theme, as usual.

#### **UPDATES to the July 2020 information**

- Primary school children do not need to wear a face covering
- Some staff may wear masks for example, due to a medical condition; when in a small enclosed space (the minibus); when in close contact with another member of staff or a child and unable to socially distance
- Children cannot bring water bottles – school is providing individual named cups/bottles for children
- Children cannot bring pencil cases – school is providing individual equipment for children
- Children need to bring a bag with an easily washable lunch box that can be kept hygienic and a reading record as well as a coat (and maybe hat, scarf, gloves as it gets colder). Reading books can be go between home and school. Books in school will be managed safely – cleaning hands; rotation and cleaning before and after use apply to these resources
- KS2 children can bring in a piece of fruit for morning tuck
- Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have fruit provided. This will be washed and managed safely
- Children need to wear PE kit to school (instead of the usual school uniform) on their PE days. Information about PE days will be in the school newsletter
- Uniforms do not now need to be cleaned any more often than usual, nor do they need to be cleaned using methods which are different from normal.
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**Please note that the above information may be subject to change at any time if circumstances / guidance changes.**

Although many things in a Marazion school day have changed for now, the best of Marazion School is still here – relationships; community; creative and ambitious curriculum; listening; support for the whole child to thrive.

**The Marazion Staff Team and Marazion Full Governors' Board**