

MARAZION SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We start a new term and a new decade! Curriculum information for each class will be sent out next week. Classes are launching their spring term learning over the next couple of weeks by visiting St Ives Lifeboat Station; exploring food at Sainsbury's; performing stories at the Minack Theatre; attending first aid training and taking part in geography studies on Porth Island.

Staffing Update

Lewis Groom returns to school full time from next Monday 13th January. Many thanks to Cassie Kent, who has worked with Opera and Lewis over the last couple of months. Steven Jenkin is leaving the Marazion Staff Team at the end of January. We are very sad to say goodbye - Steven has made a huge difference to the PE and Sport in our school 😊 We all wish him the very best for his next adventure.

School Lunch Menu Change

Over the next few weeks we are having a couple of changes to our school lunch menu. Look out for an 'All Day Breakfast' with pancakes for pudding on Thursday 16th January and a lunch to celebrate Chinese New Year on Monday 27th January. Menu details are attached electronically to this newsletter or find them on our school website.

Year of Song

During the autumn term we enjoyed songs by 'Choir Choir Choir' and the PS22 Chorus - these singing groups are based in Toronto, Canada and Staten Island, New York City. For spring term, as we start a new decade, we are listening to songs from decades past - starting with the 1920s, which is 100 years ago! Year 6 pupils are choosing a song from the 1930s for next week. Please note that the Earth Singers (ES) are taking part in the Penzance Songfest this term and some of our ES are also performing in the Plymouth Songfest along with Angela and the Cornwall Youth Choir. ES are practising with Angela every other Wednesday, from Wednesday 22nd January - we will send out text reminders - and also on Thursday 30th January during the school day.

Tomorrow and Next Week

Launches: Opera are having first aid training in school tomorrow Friday 10th January. Please can pupils wear their own (comfortable) clothes. Thanks. Children in Harmony are off to explore food at Sainsbury's on Tuesday afternoon. They are back in time for the end of the school day. Melody are off to a local lifeboat station as part of BS. **Beach School (BS):** BS starts tomorrow Friday 10th January. Please make sure that children arrive in school in warm clothes, with wellie boots and a spare change of clothes in case they get wet. Next week pupils will be at St Ives Lifeboat Station for their topic about superheroes in the community. Pupils are back in school for lunch. **Funky Fridays (FF):** FFs are back tomorrow and they have a Science theme this half term. Children are recognising the changing environments and the risk it has on animals; identifying that most animals are adapted to the environment they live in; classifying animals; describing differences in life cycles; understanding nutrition and identifying plants and animals in their habitats.

Marazion School Clubs

Marazion Clubs start NEXT Monday 13th January and run until Thursday 26th March. Club letters have already gone out and club allocations will be handed back tomorrow - Friday 10th January.



Help generate funds for the school by doing your shopping through 'The Giving Machine'
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Fundraising for Australia

I am sure many of you have seen and been affected by the devastation of the Australian Bushfires. We would like to raise money for two charities that are working tirelessly to rescue and care for the wildlife - Year 6 have decided to support the RSPCA Australia and the Australia Zoo Wildlife Hospital. NEXT Wednesday 15th January we are holding a tea/coffee and cake sale in the hall from 9-10am. Please come along to show your support for these two fantastic charities and you can also have a chat and catch up with other parents.

CCTV at Marazion School

Please note that we now have CCTV systems covering the whole of our school site, including the playing field. Marazion Oasis also hope to have their CCTV installed soon. We are working together to make sure that, as our grounds develop, resources and equipment stay safe, are respected and well looked after.

PE and Sport in School

Fixtures and Events: Next week, some pupils in Year 3/4 and Year 5/6 are taking part in Sports Hall Athletics @ Mounts Bay Academy. Letters have gone out to those children who are attending. Please see below for date and times. **Gym Sessions:** Harmony are starting their gym sessions from next Monday 13th January. Please can pupils make sure that they have their PE kits in school. Thanks. **Swimming Sessions:** Dynamics continue their swimming sessions. Pupils need swimming kit (black costume or trunks - not board shorts) and goggles (if you have them) as well as a £1 contribution towards the cost of the sessions. School provides swimming caps. Thanks. **Tennis Sessions:** Coaches from Penzance Tennis Club are back in school on Mondays, for this term, working with children in Reception and Dynamics. **Optional PE Homework:** After those long winter walks in December, we are now asking pupils to think about finding or creating a recipe for a winter warming soup - perfect for those January evenings. Our Sports Leaders will have a couple of recipes to share next week.

Stars of the Week

In Class: Melody: **Ethan** for his amazing focus during art day; Harmony: **Winnie** for great independence in maths; Dynamics: **Sophia** for fantastic team work working in the woods; Opera: **Lacey** for brilliant maths; Pitch Perfect: **Esme** for excellent effort during French. **Sporting:** YR/KS1: **Charlie** for great enthusiasm; KS2: **Ferdi** for great session of rugby. **Music:** YR/KS1: **Mabel** for fantastic singing; KS2: **Alfie W** for enthusiastic singing. Our 'Singing Superstars' return next week. **Special mention for winners in a local Young Art Competition, drawing category 4-7 age. Overall winner is Simi and highly commended are Kelsie, Aurora, Stephen, Ruby, Kit, Chloe, Destiny and Alex. Well done to you all!**

Good Manners @ Lunch Time and Breakfast Club

We celebrate with children who have displayed fantastic manners at Lunchtime, and during Breakfast Club, as part of our Monday morning assembly. This week congratulations to: **Teddy** (Breakfast Club) **Kaya, Teagan, Aurora** and **Jake** (Lunchtime).

Many Happy Returns

Happy Birthday to **Ohran, Eve, Winnie, Daisy H, Lacey, Elsie H** and **Obi** who all celebrated their birthday during the festive break. Many Happy Returns to you all ☺

Dates for the Diary w/c 13th January 2020

Monday 13th January: Reception tennis session; Harmony @ Penzance Gym, pm

Tuesday 14th January: Harmony @ Sainsbury's, pm; Dynamics tennis session, pm (Tuesday just for this week)

Wednesday 15th January: Year 3/4 Sports Hall Athletics, am; Year 5/6 Sports Hall Athletics, pm

Thursday 16th January: Dynamics swimming session, pm

Friday 17th January: Beach School for Melody at St Ives Lifeboat Station, am

