

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 2nd December 2022

Film Night

Thank you very much for supporting our PTA Film night last Friday. We had a wonderful evening, the children were incredibly well behaved and **we raised an amazing £460!**

Music Concert – Monday 5th

Our amazing music teacher Mr Hatherly and our talented key stage 2 musicians will be performing a music concert on Monday afternoon at 2:30pm. Families of children who have instrumental lessons should already have had an invite to the concert. We would like to extend this invitation to all parents as Pico, Fusion and Dart Class because will be singing.

Squash Box Theatre – Tuesday 6th

We are delighted to share that Squash Box Theatre will be coming into school on the morning of Tuesday 6th December to perform the Christmassy Christmas Show. Thank you very much to the PTA for funding this wonderful treat for the children. More information can be found here: <https://www.squashboxtheatre.co.uk/christmassy-christmas-show>

If for any reason you do not want your children to see the show please let us know.

Christingle

The Christingle service was very special and enjoyed by all. We would like to thank Rev Johanna and the Mother's Union for enabling us to have this lovely service.



Christingle Candles

Please return all Christingle Candles (full or empty) to school by Monday, 05/12/2022 at 9am. Thank you.



Upcoming Events

Please put these dates in your diaries:

December 2022

Christmas Jumper Day: Thursday 8th

Secret Santa: Friday 9th

Oppie & Topper Nativity: Tues 13th & Wed 14th

Christmas Dinner: Wednesday 14th

KS2 Candlelit Carols: Thursday 15th

Christmas Holiday: Monday 19th

January 2023

Return to School: Tuesday 3rd

Attendance

This week, **one** of our classes reached our attendance target of 98% this week.

Oppie –	98.15%	3 - late
Topper –	91.03%	1 - late
Pico –	90.97%	1 - late
Fusion –	83.93%	1 – late
Dart –	95.00%	0 - late

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

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. Our fabulous netball team won the league and our talented football team came a respectable fourth.

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, Debs, Christian and Chris for running after school clubs to coach the children. Thank you also to our families for their continued support throughout the league.



Bee Netball KS2 Final

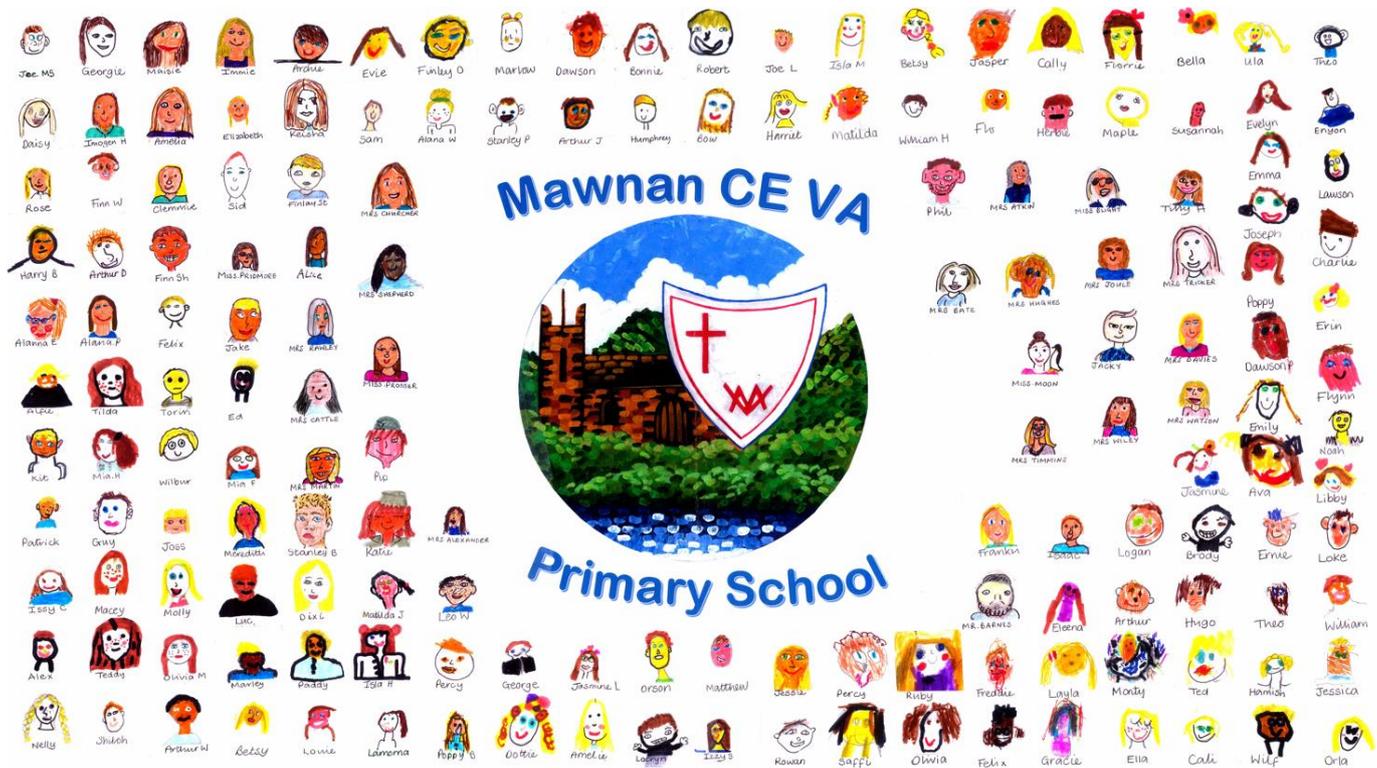
Some of our Year 6 Pupils took part in The KS2 Bee Netball Final at Penryn College today. They had 7 matches against other schools and came 2nd!



Are you looking for a unique and memorable Christmas gift?

The Mawnan Tea-Towels will be available for you to purchase during the last week of term.

The tea-towels are £6 each with all proceeds going to Mawnan School PTA.



Christmas Jumper Day – Thursday 8th

We would like the children to come into school wearing their Christmas jumpers **instead** of their Mawnan jumper in exchange for a donation to Save the Children. We will be having a cash donation on the gate. This is NOT a non-school uniform day, we're simply swapping our school jumpers for a Christmas Jumper!



Enterprise Club

Our Year 6 Enterprise club are trying to find more ways to raise money for a school defibrillator! If you have any unwanted Christmas jumpers etc. in good condition, our Enterprise pupils would be very grateful for any donations to sell at their fundraiser stall that will be held at the end of school in the last week of term (day and time tbc).

Arriving at School

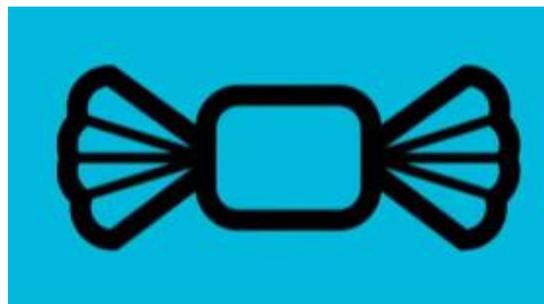
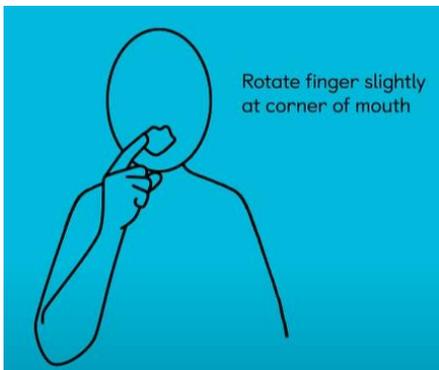
We have had a noticeable increase in pupils coming to school late this term. Our school gates are open from **8:40am** in the morning where a member of staff will be on the gate to welcome you and your child.

The gates will be closed at **8:45am** and registration will take place at this time. Please try to ensure your child comes to school on time so as not to miss any of their daily learning.

Makaton sign of the week



The sign and symbol of the week is **'Sweet'**



Secret Santa

Thank you for donating your unwanted gifts to be recycled and re-loved through our PTA Secret Santa event.

This special event is one of the highlights of the year and we are very grateful to you for supporting it. Every gift is £1 so the children will need to bring a £1 for every family member who they are buying for along with a bag to carry their gifts home in.

The Mawnan WI and a team of volunteers will be wrapping the presents and the children will be labelling them. We are also offering a more environmentally friendly newspaper wrapping station as well as using up our old stock of newspaper.

Thank you very much to our PTA for organising this event and for ensuring that we all have an exciting, well-chosen gift to put under the tree!

We are still short of presents for adults.

Tickets for the Oppie & Topper Class - Christmas Nativity

Each family have been issued with two afternoon tickets and 2 evening tickets, for the children taking part from Oppie and Topper Class. These were sent home with the children today.

- Tuesday 13th December at 2:15pm
- Wednesday 14th December at 6pm

Please liaise with other families if you wish to swap your afternoon/evening tickets and please return any unwanted tickets as they will be offered to others e.g. grandparents. Pre-school age children will need a ticket due to fire regulations. We will let you know if we have spare tickets.

Siblings in KS2 will have an opportunity to see the Christmas Nativity on the afternoon of 12th December. We will be showing a film in one of the classrooms for siblings of children performing, during the 6pm performance on Wednesday 14th.



Christmas Events

Date	Event	What you need to know
Thursday 8th December	Christmas Jumper Day 	<p>We would like the children to come into school wearing their Christmas jumpers instead of their Mawnan jumper in exchange for a donation to Save the Children. We will be having a cash donation on the gate.</p>
Friday 9th December	Secret Santa 	<p>This PTA event will be an opportunity for the children to buy preloved gifts for their families. The gifts will be wrapped and labelled by our team of volunteers.</p> <p>Thank you all for your wonderful donations.</p> <p>The children will need to bring in a bag and some money (ideally pound coins).</p>
Monday 12th December	Nativity dress rehearsal for KS2	<p>Please see the information below about tickets.</p>
Tuesday 13th December	Oppie and Topper Nativity in the afternoon - start time yet to be confirmed	
Wednesday 14th December	Oppie and Topper Nativity at 6pm	
Wednesday 14th December	Christmas Dinner	<p>You can view the menu and book this on parent pay now.</p>



**Thursday
15th
December**

**Key Stage 2 Candlelit
Carols at St Mawnan
Church(Old church).**

This candlelit service will start at 6pm and arrival will be from 5:45pm. We would like the children to wear their school uniform. Due to limited capacity this event is for key stage 2 families (Pico, Fusion and Dart).

We strongly recommend lift sharing as the parking at the Church is very limited.

**Friday 16th
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!

Year 6 SATs

Message from the Standard and Testing Agency about Year 6 SATs timetable change.

An additional bank holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III will take place on Monday 8 May 2023. As this date had previously been announced as the first day of the 2023 key stage 2 (KS2) test week in England, a change to the KS2 test schedule next year will be necessary.

Ministers have considered the situation carefully and have decided that KS2 tests will take place in the same week with tests following the usual order but each taking place one day later than originally planned. As such, the new schedule will be:

- Tuesday 9 May: English grammar, punctuation and spelling (GPS) papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)
- Wednesday 10 May: English reading paper
- Thursday 11 May: mathematics papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)
- Friday 12 May: mathematics paper 3 (reasoning)

The KS2 timetable variation (TTV) window for each assessment will also move back one day, in accordance with this change.

There will be no changes to arrangements for our other assessments, including KS2 teacher assessments, key stage 1 tests and teacher assessments, the phonics screening check and the multiplication tables check. Dates and deadlines for these assessments remain as previously announced.

Term Dates

Information Classification: CONTROLLED

Cornwall Council

2022/23 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools



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

December 2022							January 2023							February 2023						
Mon		5	12	19	26	Mon		2	9	16	23	30	Mon		6	13	20	27		
Tue		6	13	20	27	Tue		3	10	17	24	31	Tue		7	14	21	28		
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Sat	3	10	17	24	31	Sat		7	14	21	28	Sat	4	11	18	25				
Sun	4	11	18	25		Sun	1	8	15	22	29	Sun	5	12	19	26				

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

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

School holidays

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2022
Boxing Day	26 December 2022
Bank Holiday (in lieu of 25 Dec)	27 December 2022
New Years Day	01 January 2023
Bank Holiday (in lieu of 1 Jan)	02 January 2023
Good Friday	07 April 2023
Easter Monday	10 April 2023
May Bank Holiday	01 May 2023
Spring Bank Holiday	29 May 2023
Summer Bank Holiday	28 August 2023

AUTUMN TERM (70 days)

5 September - 16 December 2022
(HALF TERM 24-28 October 2022)

SPRING TERM (59 days)

3 January - 31 March 2023
(HALF TERM 13-17 February 2023)

SUMMER TERM (66 days)

17 April - 25 July 2023
(HALF TERM 29 May - 2 June 2023)

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.

Our INSET Days for 2022/2023 will be as follows:

1. ~~Monday 5th September 2022~~
2. ~~Friday 21st October 2022~~
3. ~~Monday 31st October 2022~~
4. Monday 24th July 2023
5. Tuesday 25th July 2023

Attendance

Mawnan CE VA Primary School is a happy and successful school and every child plays a part in making it so. We aim to create an environment that encourages and enables all members of our school community to achieve their full potential. In order to make the most of the learning opportunities provided within school, pupils need to have the continuity of provision that consistent attendance allows. **We consider regular attendance to be 98% or above.** Any absence affects the pattern of a child's schooling and regular absence will seriously affect their learning. It is very important that you make sure that your child attends regularly and this policy sets out how we will achieve this together.

We do understand there are times when children will need to be absent from school for a number of reasons. As a result, we will only consider authorising absences in the following instances:

- For sickness or ill health
- For medical consultant appointments which fall during school hours
- For religious or cultural observances
- For a family emergency

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.

There have been amendments to the Education Regulations (Pupil Registration 2006) act. These amendments remove reference to family holiday and extended leave as well as the statutory threshold of ten school days. The amendments make clear that head teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Whilst we understand that some absences may include times when your child is ill or attending appointments, (preferably out of school time) it is important that we all work together to try to ensure that your child has the best possible chance of success whilst at school.

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.

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.



Apply now for school places in September 2023

 www.cornwall.gov.uk

Reception 2023

If you have or know a family with a child born between 1 September 2018 and 31 August 2019, online applications can now be made for a place in next year's Reception classes.

<https://cornwall.cloud.servelec-synergy.com/SynergyWeb/Parents/default.aspx>

The deadline for applications is 15th January 2023.

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.

Ofsted Parent View

We would be incredibly grateful if you could complete the Ofsted Parent View online questionnaire. Our Ofsted inspection is imminent as our last inspection was in 2017. The information gathered through Parent View will play a valuable part of our next inspection. Thank you so much for your support with this.

<https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/>

