

## **School Gates**

We would like to remind you that our school gates open at **8:40am** and close at **8:50am**.

Please do not send your child into school earlier than 8:40am as the staff will be busy preparing the learning for the day and will not be in the classroom to supervise the children. If your child arrives after 8:50am please ensure that they enter the school via the office.

## Red Nose Day – Friday 18th March



Our school council would like to support red nose day next week. The council are requesting that you do not buy red noses but instead dress in the red clothes that you already have.

We will have the bucket on the gate in the morning.

## **Mawnan PTA**

The St Piran's day celebration last weekend at the Princess Pavilions was a great success. Our School and PTA would like to thank everyone who donated so generously for our chocolate tombola stall. Thanks to your donations we managed to raise a fantastic £228.

## **Breakfast club**

We are delighted that our breakfast club continues to be so popular. If you would like your child to attend please email or phone the school office with your request. Payments for Breakfast club are made through Parent Pay.

Breakfast club starts at 8am. Please do not send your child into school before 8am as the staff will be preparing the food and will not be in the hall to supervise the children.

## **PTA meeting News**

The PTA will be meeting at school on the afternoon of Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 3:30pm. Everyone is welcome.

**Hockey League** Despite the strong winds and battering rain our hockey team managed to secure another win this week. Mawnan 1 - 0 Penryn. Congratulations to the team and thank you to our supporters.

## **Parent Teacher Meetings**

Parent teacher meetings for Y6 take place next week. All other year groups (except Y2) will take place on the first week of April.

Sign up is via the Google forms that were sent via email yesterday. Please ensure you make a note of the date and time of your Parent Teacher appointment.

These meetings will take place via zoom and you will receive a link from the class teacher on the day of your appt.

## **Upcoming Events**

## Attendance

One of our classes reached our attendance target of 98% this week.

Oppie –	92.86%	3 - late
Topper –	96.33%	0 - late
Pico –	95.71%	4 - late
Fusion –	97.89%	1 – late
Dart –	99.05%	0 - late
	Oppie – Topper – Pico – Fusion – Dart –	Topper – 96.33% Pico – 95.71% Fusion – 97.89%

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

# Please put these dates in your diaries:

March 2022 Fri 18<sup>th</sup> – <mark>Red Nose Day</mark> – Wear Red Mon 21<sup>st</sup> – World Down Syndrome Day – Wear ODD SOCKS

**April 2022** Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – Easter Holidays Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Term Begins



### Monday 21st March

At Mawnan School we understand the importance of equality and inclusion across all areas of life and education. This is not a fundraising event. However, we will be supporting WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY to help raise awareness by **wearing odd socks**.

We therefore ask that our pupils come to school on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> in their most colourful, bright, fun odd socks.

## Supporting your children with reading - Free Training

## Raising a Reader: Top Tips for Parents to Foster a Love of Reading

Free Online Training!

### This free event is designed to support primary school parents.

We know from current research that children of all ages who read for pleasure perform better in all subjects. Reading for pleasure also builds empathy, improves wellbeing and has a dramatic impact on life outcomes. This session will explore practical tips on how to help your child to foster a love of reading.

This 45-minute session is free to all parents who have children at primary school.

Choice of dates and times:

Wednesday 30th March 2022 7pm – 7.45pm

Thursday 23rd June 2022 7pm – 7.45pm

https://www.dandelionlearning.co.uk/raising-a-reader-top-tips-for-parents-to-foster-alove-of-reading-free-training/

## COVID-19 Information (repeated from last week)

We have not had any news cases of COVID in children this week but we have had three confirmed staff cases in Fusion and Dart Class.

Changes to COVID-19 guidance came into effect on Thursday 24th February 2022. Whilst we are now "*learning to live with COVID-19*", it is important to remember that the global pandemic is not yet over. Please see the most up to date guidance below.

On Monday 21st February 2022, the Prime Minister announced the following:

## **1. Lateral Flow Testing**

Regular asymptomatic testing has played a vital part in reducing transmission in education setting but the Government has announced that it is in a position to lift this guidance for staff and students. From Monday 21st February staff and children are no longer expected to undertake twice weekly asymptomatic testing.

Staff at Mawnan will continue to test at least twice weekly whilst the tests are available and whilst we have confirmed cases within the school; we recommend that families do the same.

Please note that in the event of an outbreak, a school may also be advised by their local health team or director of public health to undertake testing for staff and students.

You can order one pack of lateral flow tests every 3 days <u>https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests</u>

## 2. The Legal Duty to Self-Isolate

As of Thursday 24th February 2022, the Government removed the legal requirement to self-isolate following a positive test. Adults and children who test positive will <u>continue to be advised to stay at home</u> and avoid contact with other people for at least five full days, and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received two negative lateral flow test results on consecutive days or until they have isolated for 10 full days.

Fully vaccinated close contacts and those aged under 18 will no longer be required to test daily for seven days, and the legal requirement for close contacts who are not fully vaccinated to self-isolate has been removed. Routine contact tracing has ended – contacts will no longer be required to self-isolate or advised to take daily tests.

Free testing will end from the 1st April 2022 for the general public, including those with symptoms. However, the Government will continue to provide free tests for symptomatic people, within certain age groups, and those who are most vulnerable.

If you think your child has any of the main symptoms or a positive test result, the public health **advice remains unchanged** and is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people. Anyone with any of the main COVID-19 symptoms should **order a test** and is advised to **stay at home** while waiting for the result. If they test positive, they are advised to follow public health advice below.



Prime Minister Boris Johnson said that the changes to COVID rules were part of moving from "Government restrictions" to "personal responsibility". We kindly ask that everyone in our community follows the expectations listed in the updated flowchart above and isolates until they have received two negative lateral flow test results on consecutive days on days 5 and 6 or they have completed 10 days of isolation.

Guidance published by the DfE on Friday 25th February stated: "If you insist on your child attending nursery, school or college when they have symptoms, schools can take the decision to refuse your child if, in their reasonable judgement, it is necessary to protect other pupils and staff from possible infection with COVID-19." We respectfully request that you do not knowingly send your child into school with COVID-19 symptoms.

I would like to remind you that school attendance is mandatory for all pupils of compulsory school age. Therefore, your child should be attending school unless they are not well enough to attend or they test positive for COVID-19.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask and thank you once again for the support.

For your reference here is the most up to date guidance:

School's operational guidance can be found here:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/upload s/attachment\_data/file/1057106/220224\_Schools\_guidance.pdf

The Living with COVID-19 guidance can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-living-withcovid-19/covid-19-response-living-with-covid-19

Coronavirus: how to stay safe and help prevent the spread:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-youcan-and-cannot-do#get-tested-and-stay-at-home-if-you-have-symptoms

What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carersneed-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-thecoronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/step-4-update-what-parents-and-carersneed-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges

## **Internet Safety**



# **Online resources** for parents & carers

Childnet have a dedicated area to support parents and carers with information on key online safety topics, advice and activities to share with your child. www.childnet.com/parents-and-carers

### 1. Key advice from us

#### Hot Topics

Information on key online safety topics including advice and conversation starters for children of different ages. childnet.com/parents-hot-topics

#### Need Help?

Support and information on what to do if you think your child is at risk online. childnet.com/parents-help

#### How to make a report

Advice for adults and young people on the reporting tools for popular games, apps and social media platforms. childnet.com/how-to-make-a-report

#### UK Safer Internet Centre

#### Advice centre

Advice centre with tips, guides and other online services resources for parents and carers, adoptive parents, foster carers, health care professionals and more. services and messaging apps. saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre saferinternet.org.uk/safety-tools

Safety tools on social networks & A set of guides highlighting safety features on popular social media

### 2. Reviews and tools

#### Net Aware

Online guide with up-to-date advice and parents' views on popular apps, games and online platforms. net-aware.org.uk



Expert reviews, advice and age appropriate recommendations on games, apps, films and more. commonsensemedia.org



Step-by-step guides for using parental controls and privacy settings alongside support on a range of online safety topics. internetmatters.org



### 3. Get help and support

#### For parents / carers

NSPCC Free support and advice for adults concerned about the safety or wellbeing of a child. 0808 800 5000 nspcc.org.uk

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Free online safety support and tech advice. 0808 800 5002 nspcc.org.uk/onlinesafety

### family f lives

Free, professional, nonjudgmental support and advice. 0808 800 2222 familylives.org.uk

## YOUNGMINDS

Free, confidential, expert advice on how to support young people's mental health & wellbeing. 0808 802 5544 youngminds.org.uk

### For children

### childline Providing help and support for under 18s.

0800 11 11 childline.org.uk

# THE MAN

Providing help and support for 13–25 year olds. 0808 808 4994 themix.org.uk



### 4. Get specific advice

#### Childnet

From screen time and cyberbullying to gaming, we have practical advice on key topics. childnet.com/parents-hot-topics

#### **Digital Parenting**

Free online magazine, resources and articles on online issues. vodafone.co.uk/digitalparenting

#### Ask About Games

Advice and online guides about gaming and PEGI age ratings. askaboutgames.com

#### Phone Brain

Information about paid for services such as premium rate numbers and in-app purchases. phonebrain.org.uk

#### Get It Right From A Genuine Site

Find out which sites are legal for streaming and downloading films, music & games. getitrightfromagenuinesite.org

### Make a report

Child Exploitation and Online Protection Command (CEOP) A police agency tackling child sexual abuse and online grooming. Their two websites include an online reporting tool and advice and activities for parents and children.

#### To make a report: ceop.police.uk

For advice & activities: thinkuknow.co.uk

#### Internet Watch Foundation

(Part of UK Safer Internet Centre) The IWF work to remove online images and videos of child sexual abuse. Their online reporting tool can be used to anonymously report criminal content of this kind. Iwf.org.uk

#### Report Harmful Content Online

Part of UK Safer Internet Centre) Advice on how to respond to harmful content online, this tool also allows visitors to query inadequate reporting responses from other services. reportharmfulcontent.com

#### True Vision

Information about hate crime and incidents and advice on how to report it in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. report-it.org.uk

Action Fraud

National reporting centre for fraud and cybercrime in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. actionfraud.police.uk

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