

# Mawnan CE VA Primary School Newsletter



*Using our God-given gifts to let our light shine*



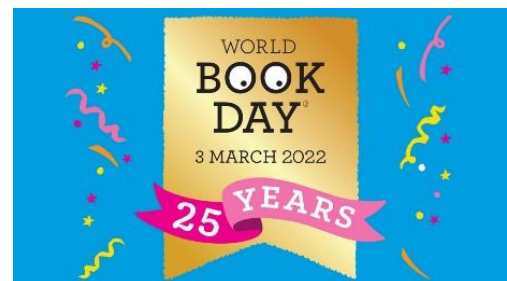
**Our core Christian Values: *Compassion, Hope, Peace, Perseverance, Respect, Trust***

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022

We have had a very productive and eventful first week of this half term.

The classes have launched into their new learning expenditure, the details of which can be found on the class pages on the website. As always, we are very impressed with the children's exemplary behaviour and their enthusiasm for learning. They really let their lights shine!

We have also enjoyed World Book Day and learning about St Piran's Day. World book day was a great success and we are very grateful for the effort that the children made with their costumes.



## Sporting Success

We have enjoyed a week of sporting success this week with the start of the Penryn Partnership Hockey League and the Cross Country.

Mawnan played an excellent match against Mylor in the hockey and won 4-0.

We are also incredibly proud of our cross-country runners for their determination in what was hard run.

Congratulations to the children who got through to the next round of the competition which will take on March 15<sup>th</sup>.





## Red Nose Day – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

### Upcoming Events

Please put these dates in your diaries:

#### March 2022

18<sup>th</sup> – Red Nose Day

#### April 2022

Mon 11<sup>th</sup> – Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> – Easter Holidays

Mon 25<sup>th</sup> – Term Begins

### Attendance

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

Oppie –	92.50%	0 - late
Topper –	100%	0 - late
Pico –	93.21%	0 - late
Fusion –	97.93%	0 – late
Dart –	90.95%	1 - late

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

### St Piran's Today



Today we have been learning about St Piran, discussing what we love about Cornwall and the kitchen staff provided a lovely Cornish lunch to help us to celebrate!!

## St Piran's Day Celebration

As St Piran's Day falls on the weekend, the celebrations will be at Princess Pavilion on Saturday 5th of March.

Here is the plan from the organisers:

09.30. Start arriving in Queen Mary Gardens and enjoy The Suitcase Singers

09.55 Trelawny

10.00 walkers and dancers leave to parade along seafront for 30-40 mins before entering Gyllyngdune Gardens

10.45 Squie and friends sing on Bandstand followed by art competition prize giving in Foyer

11.15. Halwin School Cornish Dancers on patio

11.30. Story telling in garden room

12.00 St Piran's crab search and rock ramble on Castle Beach. Booking essential on [vickifromfalmouth@gmail.com](mailto:vickifromfalmouth@gmail.com)

12.00 Swamp Circus in the garden

12.45. Family and Friends ensemble

15.20. The Oggymen



**Thank you to everyone who donated chocolate to the PTA for the chocolate tombola and a very BIG thank to our PTA members for running a stall for the school.**

## The Ukraine

For many children, the events unfolding in Ukraine have now become more of a concern than Covid-19 and this week lots of children have been talking about the situation and understandably have many questions. We do not want to raise anxiety or alarm, but evidence suggests that having a supportive and balanced discussion about a stressful event can actually decrease anxiety.

Some of the older children in school will have had discussions in class this week where we talked about the situation in Ukraine, so they might talk to you about that at home. The school council have also suggested that we do some fundraising this term.

Newsround offer lots of child-friendly videos and information for children, with advice to help them when they feel upset by the news. BBC Newsround: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/60554258>

The Department for Education has also published a blog to help everyone have access to the facts, not misinformation. You can find that here:

[https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/02/25/help-for-teachers-and-families-to-talk-to-pupils-about-russias-invasion-of-ukraine-and-how-to-help-them-avoid-misinformation/?utm\\_source=JARVIS&utm\\_campaign=f6eccc04e4-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2022\\_03\\_04\\_08\\_07&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_afe2f6e1a8-f6eccc04e4-48280149](https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/02/25/help-for-teachers-and-families-to-talk-to-pupils-about-russias-invasion-of-ukraine-and-how-to-help-them-avoid-misinformation/?utm_source=JARVIS&utm_campaign=f6eccc04e4-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2022_03_04_08_07&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_afe2f6e1a8-f6eccc04e4-48280149)

If you have any further concerns, please ask.

# School Eco Team



I hope you all had a wonderful half term and would like to say a big thank you to the beautiful flowers that some of you have made for our eco display. As spring comes along, I thought it would be nice to share some ideas on what you could try and grow at home for March! My Eco Champs have researched Vegetables that can be grown indoors and outdoors; here are just a few ideas.

Veg to start sowing in March outdoors:

- Asparagus
- Carrots
- Broad Beans
- Beetroot
- Spring Onions

The Best Veg to grow indoors or in a greenhouse in March are:

- Brussel sprouts
- Cauliflower
- Spinach
- Squash
- Perennial herbs (plants that live for more than two years)



Happy Sowing!!

Mrs Moon and The Eco Champs!



# COVID-19 Update

We have not had any news cases of COVID this week.

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

<https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests>

## 2. The Legal Duty to Self-Isolate

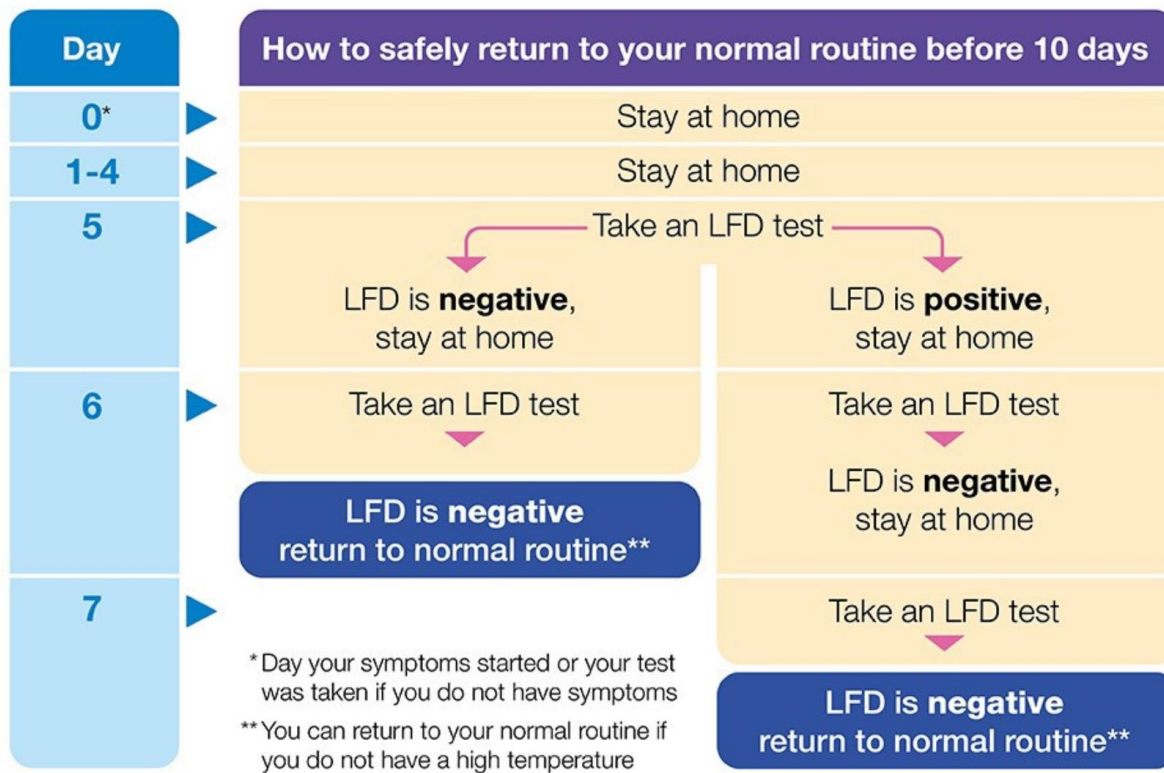
As of Thursday 24th February 2022, the Government removed the legal requirement to self-isolate following a positive test. **Adults and children who test positive will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least five full days, and then continue to follow the 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/uploads/attachment\\_data/file/1057106/220224\\_Schools\\_guidance.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/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-with-covid-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-you-can-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-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/step-4-update-what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges>

# COOSE TRANNACK CROSS COUNTRY RACES SATURDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2022

Organised by the Friends of Trannack School

## Can You Conquer Coose Trannack?



Coose Trannack is a Millennium Woodland planted by the Woodland Trust at Trannack on the outskirts of Helston. The event is open to ALL children of school age from Yr R through to U16 and this year we are once again doing an Adults Race (4800m) too!

There are medals for the top three finishers in each age and gender category and also trophies awarded to the best Primary School and Club.

Every competitor receives a certificate showing their finishing position and can keep their race number as a memento. They will also receive a goody bag containing a drink, an item of fruit and a snack bar.

For further information:  Find us on Facebook **Coose Trannack**

<http://trannack.eschools.co.uk/website/coose-trannack/29267>

Email: [coosetrannack@gmail.com](mailto:coosetrannack@gmail.com)

Event Sponsored By:



# COOSE TRANNACK CROSS COUNTRY RACES

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Registered charity: 1077109  
Trannack C.P. School, Trannack, Helston, Cornwall, TR13 0DQ

## COOSE TRANNACK — Saturday, 26th MARCH 2022

Coose Trannack is a Millennium Woodland planted by the Woodland Trust in 2000 in conjunction with Trannack School. The woodland is open all year round to the public.

The event is open to ALL children of school age from Yr. R through to U16 and we will again be running our Adult Race (4800m) for ages 16 and over.

Hot food and drinks will be served from 08:30.

The Registration Office (Under cover area at the rear of Praa Sands class room, adjacent to the school field) is open from 08:30 to 11:00.

From 08:30 until the start of the races all competitors are invited to walk the course.

The event will start @ **09:35** and will end around 1pm. There will be a presentation ceremony in the playground for Primary Schools. U13 and U16 Medals will be handed out at the finish line but competitors are welcome to stay until completion of the event. The Adult Race will commence after the Yr6 race.

Competitors are advised to come already changed as there are no indoor changing facilities.

The Local Press are invited to attend. The FTS cannot accept liability for children's pictures appearing in the press. The responsibility is that of the visiting schools/clubs and/or parents. If parents have any concerns prior to the event please contact the event email.

For event enquiries and to submit your School/Club Registration Form email: [coosetrannack@gmail.com](mailto:coosetrannack@gmail.com) or post to: **Trannack School, Trannack, Helston, TR13 0DQ**

### **PARKING**

Please arrive early giving yourself plenty of time to park and register (and to walk the course if you wish). **Please car share where possible.**

### **DIRECTIONS**

Trannack School is approximately 2 miles north of Helston. Follow the B3297 from

Helston towards Redruth, turn left where the school is signposted just past Wheel Dream Golf and Restaurant. Dependant on the weather prior to the event parking will be on fields below Trannack School. There is disabled parking in the school car park. All cars are parked at their own risk.



## **ENTRY FORM & REGISTRATION**

Entry can either be done online at [www.coosetrannackcrosscountry.co.uk](http://www.coosetrannackcrosscountry.co.uk), collectively through their school/ club organiser, by returning the registration form back to [coosetrannack@gmail.com](mailto:coosetrannack@gmail.com) or attend on the day as an Individual entry. Please be aware that online booking does incur a minimal booking charge.

To help with the smooth running of the event, the Coose Trannack committee would be grateful if each school or club could have a representative to act as a contact, to pre-register their team before the closing date and be responsible for their team on the day.

For clubs and schools, the entry form should be completed and returned **BEFORE** the event (**by Wednesday, 23rd March**), however if this is not possible entries can be made on the day - please report to Registration **at least** an hour before the scheduled time of the race.

To reduce the amount of footfall through the registration area please can you ensure that only a School or club organisers who are collectively organising the children from their school / club as part of a team, or Individual children who have not been pre-registered via their school or club organiser.

The entry fee is **£3.00** per child (£5.00 for the Adult Race - age 16 and over). Cheques should be made payable to the "FTS". As part of the entry fee competitors will receive a drink, an item of fruit and a snack bar. They will also receive a certificate showing their finishing position and can keep their race number as a memento of the occasion.

All competitors should wear their race number on the front of their tops.

## **RACE DISTANCES, TIMINGS, RESULTS, MEDALS AND TROPHIES**

### Secondary School Event

U13 & U16    2400m            09:35am (staggered start for each age group)

Medals will be handed out at the finish line for Secondary School races

### Primary School Event

Yr.	300m	10:00am
Yr.1	500m	10:15am
Yr.2	500m	10:30am
Yr.3	900m	10:45am
Yr.4	1200m	11:00am
Yr.5	1500m	11:15am
Yr.6	1800m	11:30am

Adult Race    4800m            11.45am.  
Fee £4. Medals & T-shirts for winners

Medals & Trophies 12.15pm (in the playground)

Please bring your own sports bottles, there will be refillable water stations.