

# 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 8<sup>th</sup> October 2021 - Newsletter 4

## Harvest Festival



On Monday, we enjoyed our Harvest services with Rev Johanna. We are extremely proud of our wonderful children and would like to thank all the families who were able to join us at the church service. Thank you to everyone for your generous food donations. Your kind Harvest gifts have now been dropped off at the food bank.



## Upcoming Events

Please put these dates in your diaries:

**OCT 2021**

**Thurs 14<sup>th</sup>: Topper Class School Visit to King Edward Mine**

**Fri 15<sup>th</sup>: Nasal Flu Immunisations**

**Thurs 21<sup>st</sup>: Oppie Class Church Visit**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>: School Closure Day**

**25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>: HALF TERM**

**NOV 2021**

**Mon 1<sup>st</sup>: Term Starts**

## Attendance

Unfortunately, none of our classes reached our attendance target of 98% this week.

Oppie – 96.43% 0 - late

Topper – 96.67% 0 - late

Pico – 96.40% 2 - late

Fusion – 95.52% 0 - late

Dart – 96.79% 0 - late

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

## Governor Vacancies

We are looking for two governors to join our governing body and work with us to ensure that there are high standards of achievement for all children and that Mawnan School is the very best it can be.

The governing body is at the heart of how a school operates but not everyone knows what school governors do. For example, it's not to be confused with our fantastic PTA, which is a fundraising organisation and does a brilliant job enriching our children's school lives, paying for things like new equipment for the adventure playground and subsidising school trips.

A school governor is something very different. We work as a team and are responsible for making sure Mawnan School provides a good quality education for all pupils. With the school, we set the school's aims, strategic direction, ethos and vision. We hold the headteacher and leaders to account through support and challenge by asking questions and discussing what's best for the school. We make sure the school curriculum is well taught by scrutinising the educational experiences of children at Mawnan through school visits to talk to staff and pupils.

We are involved in the recruitment of staff and performance reviews of the headteacher. We approve school policies on everything from anti-bullying to health and safety. We also oversee the school's financial performance and make sure the school's budget is well spent. We are the school leadership's 'critical friends', making sure everything is on track to deliver high quality education and experiences for all pupils. At such a brilliant school like Mawnan, this is a particularly rewarding and satisfying role.

You don't need to have a background in education to be a governor - just the skills, character and time to contribute. We are all volunteers with different professional experiences to bring to the table and there is plenty of training available.

We are very keen for someone with a background in business and finance, or someone with SEN or social care experience.

We have one parent governor vacancy, and one Foundation governor vacancy that is open to anyone with a connection to Mawnan and our school community.

Please share with anyone to whom it might be of interest. I am available for a chat about what the role involves any time - catch me at the school gates or email me on [rstevenson@mawnanschool.com](mailto:rstevenson@mawnanschool.com).

Thank you,  
Rachel  
Chair of Governors

## Keep us in the loop....

Please remember to let the school office know if you have changed your contact details. It is essential that we have up to date contact details in case of an emergency.

## Mawnan PTA

Thank you very much to the parents and staff who were able to join us for our recent PTA AGM. We were delighted to welcome some new members and we have begun planning for the coming year. Our Mawnan PTA are extremely effective and because of their hard work, the school benefits greatly. The PTA also have some great events and projects planned to further enrich your child's experience at Mawnan CE VA Primary School.

On Wednesday morning, some members of our PTA gathered to say a massive thank you to Mrs Wylie, who after 18 years of committed service on the committee has stepped down.



## **Mawnan Pupil Council**

During our collective worships this week we have learnt about democracy, having a voice and how our pupil council will run this year. The elections will take place next Thursday.

## **Parent Teacher Meetings**

Our first round of parent teacher meetings for this academic year will be taking place on the week beginning Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November. More details to follow...

## **Helford Children's River Sailing Trust**

Mawnan School enjoys working closely with the Helford Children's River Sailing Trust as the trust delivers high quality sailing instruction to our children. The trust are currently in the running for Asda Green token Giving. They would welcome and appreciate your vote:

<https://www.asda.com/green-tokens/store?store=4677>

## **Reception 2022**

If you have or know a family with a child born between 1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018, 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 Wednesday 15 January 2022.

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.

## COVID-19 Information

Until further notice our COVID mitigation measures are:

1. We will remain in our class bubbles whilst we are in the school building and key stage bubbles will only mix outside. (Further mixing will be introduced gradually when the infection rates drop).
2. We will resume routine and regular handwashing along with good respiratory hygiene.
3. Classrooms will be well ventilated.
4. Staff will be using twice weekly lateral flow tests.
5. Staff will be wearing facemasks in communal areas.

**Please ensure that you play your part and follow our guidance:**

6. **If your child develops Covid symptoms at home, they should stay at home and should book a PCR test (NOT a Lateral Flow Test). If your child develops Covid symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test. **If your child tests positive for Covid, they will need to self-isolate. (The rest of the household does not need to self-isolate if they are under 18 or fully vaccinated – but instead should book a PCR test). Please let us know if someone in your household tests positive so we can provide support for you.****
7. Please make use of the lateral flow tests - Twice weekly lateral flow testing should continue for all education staff and all families and households of children attending schools. Please use lateral flow tests over the weekend to test the household before returning to school.
8. Maintain a 2 metre distance from other families and staff whilst at school.
9. Wear face coverings if you are unable to maintain a 2 metre distance whilst on school grounds.
10. Swiftly exit the school grounds and do not gather in groups.
11. Keep the one-way system clear so everyone is able to safely enter and exit the school grounds. To avoid crowding at the end of the day please could we request that you keep to the one-way system and **do not stand by the front gates**. If you are waiting for a KS2 child please stand in a space in the carpark (ideally stand in the same spot every day so your child can find you more easily).



## Mawnan Rainbows and Brownies

Exciting News!

The Mawnan Rainbows and Brownies will be starting on Monday 11th October at Mawnan Smith Methodist Church.

The **Rainbows** are for girls aged 5 to 7 and will meet on Mondays from 4 to 5pm.

The **Brownies** are for girls aged 7 to 10 and will meet on Mondays from 5:15 to 6:30pm.

To register your daughter please go to

<https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter/>

For more information contact Jean Whetham

Email: carricksouth@girlguidingcornwall.org.uk

Tel: 01326 250809

# National Online Safety Parental Controls

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit [www.nationalonlinesafety.com](http://www.nationalonlinesafety.com) for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

## How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS iPhone

Apple devices come with built-in apps already available: Mail, FaceTime and Safari, for example. However, you can choose which apps and features appear on your child's device and which ones don't. You can also manipulate the features in Game Centre to enhance your child's safety and privacy when playing games, as well as blocking iTunes or App Store purchases if you wish.



### How to Restrict Built-in Apps/Features

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Allowed Apps (you may need to toggle this to 'on' at the top)
- 5 Enable or disable the apps you wish to appear (or disappear) on your child's device

### How to Restrict Game Centre

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions (you may need to switch the toggle at the top to the 'on' position)
- 5 Scroll down to Game Centre
- 6 Choose between Allow, Don't Allow, or Allow with Friends Only in the settings for each feature

### How to Restrict iTunes & App Store Purchases

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases
- 5 Select Allow or Don't Allow for each feature (you can also lock these settings with a password)



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# How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS on an Android Phone

On Android phones, restricting access to particular apps usually requires going onto Google Play. From there, it's fairly easy to navigate your way through the settings to manage the parental controls and authentications relating to any apps on the device. These features can prevent your child from downloading or buying anything unsuitable for their age. Updated versions of apps or games that your child has already installed may occasionally contain something inappropriate, so we've explained how to stop those, too.



## How to Block App Downloads (This Also Disables In-app Purchases):

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Scroll down to the Family section and tap Parental controls
- 5 Toggle 'Parental controls are off' to 'Parental controls are on'
- 6 Create a PIN and tap OK
- 7 Confirm your PIN and tap OK again
- 8 Tap Apps & Games
- 9 Set the age limit you wish to set (18+)
- 10 Tap Save to apply your changes

## How to Stop Auto-updates

- 1 Open Google Play Store
- 2 Tap the profile icon in the top right
- 3 Tap Settings
- 4 Tap Auto-Update Apps
- 5 Select 'Don't auto-update apps' and then tap Done

## Restricting Apps Through Google Family Link

- 1 Open Google Play Family Link for parents
- 2 Tap the three horizontal lines in the top left
- 3 Select your child's account
- 4 Tap Manage
- 5 Tap Controls on Google Play
- 6 Tap Apps & Games
- 7 Select the age limit you wish to set (18+)



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# Watersport Activities

## October half-term

Sailing | SUPing | Kayaking | Mega SUP

### Wet 'n Wild Sessions

Spend time on the water finding a sport you love, trying a range of activities with a wet 'n wild session. One thing is for sure you are likely to get wet!

For ages 8-14

**Helford River**  
Mon-Thurs PM  
£30 per session

**Trevassack Lake**  
Mon-Fri AM  
£30 per session



### Family Fun

Spend some active, fun quality time together as a family (for up to 8) with your own tailored wet 'n wild session.

6 yrs +

At Trevassack Lake from £110 for a family of 4

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