

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 26th April 2024

Mrs Rawley

Our wonderful School Administrator, Mrs. Rawley, will be retiring at the end of this half term. Mrs. Rawley has been with us for an impressive 24 years and has been an invaluable member of our staff. We will miss her greatly, but we are fortunate to have Mrs. Cattle stepping into the role of School Administrator on a full-time basis after the half term.

Please join me in wishing Mrs. Rawley all the best in her well-deserved retirement. Her last day with us will be Wednesday 22nd May.

Miss Pridmore

Cricket League



Our Mawnan cricket team also had a great start in the Penryn Partnership cricket league, securing a 50-40 victory against Flushing. Well done to all the players – we are proud of your hard work and dedication.

Summer

As the weather improves, please ensure that your child brings in a sun hat, a fresh water bottle and applies sun cream before coming into school.

Topper Class Teacher

I am delighted to announce that following interviews this week, we have appointed Annette Jones as our new Topper Class teacher. Annette will officially join us in September, but she will have the opportunity to meet the children and families in July. We are confident that she will be a valuable addition to our team and we look forward to welcoming her aboard.

Sailing

Our sailing season got off to a fantastic start last Friday. The conditions were perfect, and our students demonstrated exceptional attitudes and a quick ability to learn. It was great to get back out on the water with such a brilliant group of children.



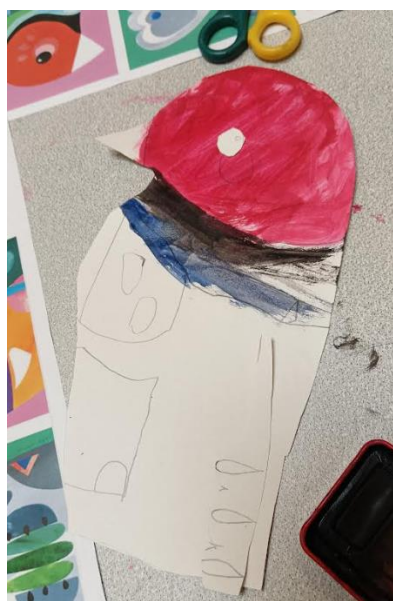
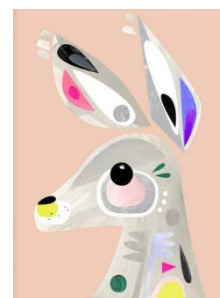
Oppie Class



Oppie Class have had a great week! On Thursday they had a team building PE lesson. The aim was to get from one side of the playground to the other, staying within their hoops at all times. This was not as easy as it may seem, as there was one less hoop than children!



On Friday they afternoon they continued to learn about the Australian artist who his best know for his bird and mammal collages. Oppie class have started their own collages and they're already looking fantastic!



Penryn College Rising Stars – Rugby Programme

After the successful rugby academy offer last month, the PE & Lifestyles team have decided to offer additional sessions **for year 6 students** who will be joining Penryn College in September. There is no cost for these sessions as it forms part of our 'pre-season' sport offer we provide our current students. **We would really love to encourage students who do not play community club rugby to also attend.**

Can you challenge your club rugby players to all bring 2/3 friends along! It will prove a great way to build confidence towards the students joining in September. This year 56 year 7s played rugby for Penryn College, only 11 were playing club rugby beforehand!!

You can sign up using the following link.

<https://forms.office.com/e/WSu1YDsHKb>



PENRYN COLLEGE RISING STARS RUGBY PROGRAMME

Invitation to year 6 students who will be joining Penryn College in September 2024

We are excited to kick off our pre-season sport programme with an opportunity for year 6 students. As well as players already playing in the community we want to encourage girls & boys who are new to the game. No previous experience required! This will be a great way to make friends before the new school year.

Your teacher will share with you the sign up link

Skills such as, running, passing, how to beat a defender, kicking, will all be worked on during these sessions. Tuesday's 4:30-5:30pm- Penryn College STP pitch (Studs & trainers required)

Punctuality

We have noticed an increasing number of children arriving late for school this half term. We kindly ask that everyone make a concerted effort to arrive on time for the start of the day.

Our gates open at 8:35am, classrooms at 8:40am, and gates close at 8:45am. If you arrive after this time, please ensure your child enters the school via the office.

Punctuality is not only important for your child's learning but also for the smooth running of the school day for everyone.



Term Dates 2024-2025

We would like to take this opportunity to remind parents about the term dates for the next academic year, including the additional 5 days when the school will be closed for staff training.

Please refrain from booking holidays during term time, as this can result in a fixed penalty fine under current legislation. Your support in ensuring your child's regular attendance at school is greatly appreciated.

INSET Days for 2024-2025

1. Tuesday 3rd September
2. Monday 4th November
3. Monday 21st July
4. Tuesday 22nd July
5. Wednesday 23rd July

Cornwall Council

2024/2025 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools



| September 2024 | | | | | | |
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| Mon | | 2 | 9 | 16 | 23 | 30 |
| Tue | | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | |
| Wed | | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25 | |
| Thurs | | 5 | 12 | 19 | 26 | |
| Fri | | 6 | 13 | 20 | 27 | |
| Sat | | 7 | 14 | 21 | 28 | |
| Sun | 1 | 8 | 15 | 22 | 29 | |

| October 2024 | | | | | | |
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| Thurs | | 3 | 10 | 17 | 24 | 31 |
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| November 2024 | | | | | | |
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School holidays

Bank holidays

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| Christmas Day | 25 December 2024 |
| Boxing Day | 26 December 2024 |
| New Years Day | 01 January 2025 |
| Good Friday | 18 April 2025 |
| Easter Monday | 21 April 2025 |
| May Bank Holiday | 05 May 2025 |
| Spring Bank Holiday | 26 May 2025 |
| Summer Bank Holiday | 25 August 2025 |

| December 2024 | | | | | | |
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| January 2025 | | | | | | |
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| February 2025 | | | | | | |
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AUTUMN TERM (74 days)

3 September - 20 December 2024
(HALF TERM 28 October -1 November 2024)

| March 2025 | | | | | | |
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| April 2025 | | | | | | |
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| May 2025 | | | | | | |
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SPRING TERM (60 days)

6 January - 4 April 2025
(HALF TERM 17-21 February 2025)

| June 2025 | | | | | | |
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| July 2025 | | | | | | |
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| August 2025 | | | | | | |
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SUMMER TERM (61 days)

22 April - 23 July 2025
(HALF TERM 26-30 May 2025)

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.



Quality merchandise 📈 Fair prices 👍 What's not to love? 🤔 The possibility of bagging a bargain and the ability to sell your own unwanted items have made online marketplaces like Vinted and Depop into an attractive option for anyone looking to save money or make a little extra cash for themselves in these challenging economic times.

Unfortunately, however, these services (and numerous others like them) can still be misused by scammers, so it pays to remain vigilant for the risks associated with shopping apps. Fortunately, this week's #WakeUpWednesday guide is on hand with some helpful pointers to protect young people (and yourself) from potential exploitation while doing business with others online.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about SHOPPING PLATFORMS

For people looking to make purchases on their phones, several shopping apps – such as Temu – allow users to buy goods at reduced prices. Others, like Vinted and Depop, let you sell items you no longer want. As internet shopping continues to grow, however, so does the risk of scammers, hackers and breaches of privacy.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MISSING ITEMS

Users of Vinted, Depop and Temu have reported not receiving their products despite payment being taken. Users can initially contact the seller to query a missing item, and they have between two and five days (depending on the app) to tell the company what has happened. However, once the money has reached the supposed 'seller', it can be quite difficult to get back.

SCAMMERS AND PHISHING

Scammers are always on the lookout for unsuspecting buyers or sellers. Common tactics include cancelling shipment of an item once the payment has been processed or asking to conclude the chat and payment outside of the app, where the victim is no longer protected by the buyer protection plan. This should, naturally, be avoided at all costs.

DATA MISUSE

Apps of all kinds frequently collect our data, often asking for more information than is necessary to set up an account. Data gathered in this way is then usually sold on to third parties for marketing purposes. Lately, certain apps have been under scrutiny for using spyware to track their members' activities – but all too often, the user's consent to this practice has been hidden away in the terms and conditions.

FAKES OR REPLICAS

It's certainly not unheard of for poor-quality products to be falsely marketed as luxury items, using misleading pictures or clever wording. These disingenuous sales are sometimes outed by suspiciously low price tags, but this isn't always the case. For children and young people especially, there's a risk that the promise of bagging a high-end item for a fraction of its usual price will outweigh any suspicions they may have.

SLOW REFUNDS

While all apps offer a refund if the product is damaged or doesn't match the description, it can take up to a month to be compensated for this. For many people (especially during a cost-of-living crisis) that can be a long time to be without both the product you bought and the hard-earned cash you spent on it.

MISLEADING DESCRIPTION

Some people will be able to notice when, say, a product's photo and its description don't seem to match. This isn't a reliable means of picking up on misleading marketing, however – especially not for children and young people, many of whom may not yet realise that such practices even exist. While it's illegal to advertise one thing and sell another, plenty of shady traders use clever wording and omissions to get around this.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ALWAYS STAY ON THE APP

It's vital that users pay for any goods through the same app on which they found them, to ensure they are covered by buyer protection. This means users can access support if the item arrives damaged, isn't as described, or doesn't arrive at all – allowing them to seek compensation for the loss. Such regulations can't protect you, however, if you didn't do the deal through the app in question.

BE WARY OF PHISHING ATTEMPTS

Scammers frequently send messages within these apps to steal personal and financial information from other users. Don't respond to these messages – and under no circumstances should you follow any links they contain. Check for spelling errors, as well as inspecting the name of the sender. Report any suspected phishing emails to the app's help centre – and notify your bank if you think your financial information has been compromised.

CHECK REVIEWS

Take time to read the reviews and comments left by other users – not just of products, but of sellers and buyers, to ensure they're legitimate and reliable. Before buying an item online, check the reviews for comments about the product's quality, the seller's communication and the delivery time. If you're selling, check the reviews of your buyer for red flags such as frequent requests for refunds or claims of 'missing' items.

KEEP SAFE AS A SELLER

Sellers can be exploited just as much as buyers. Some users may purchase an item, for example, then pretend it didn't arrive to secure a refund. Always take photos of the shipping label, along with a picture of you posting the item. Send the package's tracking number to the buyer and keep a copy for yourself, letting you investigate any future claims that it never arrived. When taking photos of items you're selling, ensure nothing personal is in the background.

Meet Our Expert

Dr Claire Sutherland is an online safety consultant at BCyberAware, who has developed and implemented anti-bullying and cyber safety workshops and policies for schools. She has written various academic papers and carried out research for the Australian government comparing internet use and sexting behaviours of young people in the UK, USA and Australia.



#WakeUpWednesday

The National College

CALLING ALL BEACH LOVERS

Mawnan School are on a mission to become an Eco-School and achieve Green Flag Status by the end of the academic year.

We're joining up with Surfers Against Sewage for their monthly beach clean this Sunday from 11am on Gyllyngvase beach and we'd love to see as many of you there as possible!

Equipment is provided.....and there might be a few extra treats too!

Join us for our Monthly beach clean at Gylly this Sunday at 11am! As always everyone welcome and all equipment provided 😊

JOIN US & HELP TACKLE PLASTIC POLLUTION

PLASTIC FREE
FALMOUTH
SURFERS AGAINST SEWAGE

CLEANS ON THE LAST SUNDAY

OF THE MONTH

THIS SUNDAY AT 11:00

**Monthly Beach Clean - Gyllyngvase
Beach**

★ Interested

Dates to Remember 2024

| <u>2024 Dates</u> | <u>Event</u> |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 19 th April – 24 th May | Friday CST Sailing lessons – Term 1 (6 Sessions) |
| Thurs 25 th April | TEMPEST: School Class Photos |
| Mon 6 th May | Bank Holiday Monday |
| Thurs 23 rd May | Mawnan Secret Postcard Exhibition – 4:30pm |
| 27 th – 31 st May | May Half Term |
| 7 th June – 5 th July | Friday CST Sailing lessons – Term 2 (5 Sessions) |
| Sun 16 th June | National Garden Scheme Open Garden |
| 19 th – 21 st June | Year 4 & 5 BF Adventure School Camp |
| 26 th – 28 th June | Year 6 Porthpean School Camp |
| Fri 5 th July | Sports Day |
| Fri 12 th July | Sports Day (reserve date) |
| 22 nd – 24 th July | School Closure Days |
| Thurs 25 th July | School Summer Holiday |

All dates and events can be found on our School website Calendar:
<https://www.mawnanschool.com/web/calendar/430674>

Mawnan Secret Postcard Event

SAVE THE DATE!

The Mawnan secret postcard project exhibition will be held in the beautiful gardens of Carwinion House. Original postcards have been donated from artists far and wide and will all be sold anonymously for the same price. Please join us for an amazing fundraising event for the school. Everybody welcome.

Please RSVP (free event):

<https://buytickets.at/mawnansecretpostcardproject/1190342>

There is still time to get your postcards in, tell your artist friends and spread the word!

Blank Postcards available in School Office.

MAWNAN SECRET POSTCARD PROJECT EXHIBITION



**THE WALLED GARDEN,
CARWINION HOUSE, MAWNAN SMITH**

THURSDAY 23RD MAY 2024

**4.30 PM PREVIEW OPENS
6.00 PM SALES BEGIN**

ALL POSTCARDS £10

BAR, FOOD, SCAVENGER HUNT

PLEASE RSVP (FREE ENTRY):
[HTTPS://BUYTICKETS.AT/MAWNANSECRETPOSTCARDPROJECT/1190342](https://buytickets.at/mawnansecretpostcardproject/1190342)
ENQUIRIES: POSTCARDPROJECT@MAWNANSCHOOL.COM

Mawnan Junior Playing Field Improvements

Some of our lovely parents have volunteered to help the Parish Council improve the village playground. We'd really appreciate it if all families could complete the survey and there's a chance to win a prize!

www.tinyurl.com/mawnanpark



Mawnan Junior Playing Field Improvements

Have your say on our 5-min online survey!



tinyurl.com/mawnanpark

Anyone, any age, welcome to complete.

CHANCE TO WIN A £30 FERRY BOAT INN VOUCHER!

**Hardcopy of survey available on request*

 facebook.com/MawnanJuniorPlayingField
 mawnanjpfsteeringgroup@gmail.com



FALMOUTH
UNIVERSITY

Community day

SATURDAY 1 JUNE

10-4PM

FALMOUTH CAMPUS

CREATIVE WORKSHOPS TALKS
CHILDREN'S ART CLASSES GARDEN TOURS
CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENT LIVE MUSIC
STREET FOOD LAWN GAMES
GRADUATE EXHIBITIONS STUDENT ART SALE



**ALL
ACTIVITIES
ARE FREE**