Mawnan CE VA Primary School Newsletter Using our God-given gifts to let our light shine





Friday 11th February 2022

Our core Christian Values: *Compassion,*

Children's Mental Health Week 2022!

This week is Children's Mental Health Week (7th -13th February 2022) and this year's theme is Growing Together. Throughout the school, each class has been supporting and promoting Children's Mental Health Week by reading lots of gorgeous books focused on kindness, growth, worries and friendship. Some classes



have taken part in the virtual Place2Be assembly and others have created some amazing artwork which reflects who helps and supports us to grow. Today has also been our Dress to Express day where all our children and staff have worn outfits that express who they are and how they feel.

Thank you for your support in helping us promote Children's Mental Health Week 2022 and a huge thank you for your generous donations for Place2Be. We have raised £138.09 so far!

Have a wonderful weekend!

Miss Blight







Mrs Ellis

Next week we will sadly be saying goodbye to our wonderful Sharon Ellis who has been with us for many years. We would like to thank her for all she has done during her time at Mawnan School and wish her all the very best on her new adventures.

Mrs Hughes

We are very pleased to welcome our new Pico Class TA Jane Hughes, who will be starting with us after half term.

Upcoming Events

Please put these dates in your diaries:

February 2022 21st – 25th – Half term holiday 28th – Return to school

March 2022 3rd - World Book Day

Attendance

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

Oppie –	81.07%	0 - late
Topper –	96%	0 - late
Pico –	97.86%	0 - late
Fusion –	88.62%	0 – late
Dart –	97.12%	0 - late

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



Advance Warning for World Book

This year World Book Day is on **Thursday 3rd March**. We would love it if the children came in dressed up as their favourite character from a book. Please be creative and use what you already have at home.

Term Dates

Our term dates and closure dates can be found here: <u>https://mawnancofeprimary.eschools.co.uk/web/term_dates/521213</u>



Unfortunately, the Parish Council have been in contact because they have received a growing number of complaints about parking and driving at the school during both drop off and pick up times.

There have been complaints made about cars parking on the verge up Grove Hill and on Shute Hill itself – especially at the end of the school day. It has been reported that cars are blocking the 'pavement' part of the grass verges and not taking due care when either pulling in or pulling out of Shute Hill. On one occasion, a pedestrian was hit by a car's mirror.

This is a **plea to everyone** who drives to school to please park and drive with more care and consideration. We do not want to endanger our school community or anyone else so this situation needs to improve.

The issue has also been raised with the local PCSO.

Thank you for helping to improve the safety at the beginning and end of the day.

Primary Assessments: future dates

Robin Walker MP, Minister of State for School Standards confirmed last week that a full programme of primary assessments **will** take place during this academic.

KS1 SATs are compulsory for all Year 2 pupils and KS2 SATs are compulsory for all Year 6 pupils in England. If your child is in **Year 2** or **Year 6** they have to sit the SATs. For this reason, please make a note of the following dates and please do not book any holidays during these times.

<u>Key stage 1</u>

May 2022 is the Key stage 1 testing period. Thursday 9th & Friday 10th June 2022 is the phonics screening check.

Key stage 2

The Year 6 tests are timetabled from Monday 9th May to Thursday 12th May 2022.

Monday 9 May 2022 English grammar, punctuation and spelling papers 1 and 2

Tuesday 10 May 2022English readingWednesday 11 May 2022Mathematics papers 1 and 2Thursday 12 May 2022Mathematics paper 3

Multiplication tables check for Year 4 is timetabled from Monday 13th to Thursday 12 May 2022.

To find out more about this year's testing go to:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/primary-assessments-future-dates

COVID-19

Thank you for your continued support during our recent COVID-19 outbreak. We have continued to have new cases this week but we are pleased that the number of new cases has reduced and we've even had some full classes for the first time in ages!

The PM announced this week that there would be changes to the isolation rules coming shortly; we will keep you updated on any information or changes to the guidance for schools when we receive it.

Lateral Flow Testing

Thank you for committing to daily lateral flow testing during our recent outbreak. **We would like Oppie Class and their siblings to continue with daily testing next week**. Please could all other children continue with the recommended twice-weekly lateral flow testing.

A reminder for Confirmed Cases

People who test positive for COVID-19 should self-isolate at home until they are well (48 hours fever free) and *either*:

a. 10 full days have passed, or

b. They have produced two negative LFD tests at least 24 hours apart after five full days isolation, as long as they test negative on both day 5 and day 6 and do not have a temperature

It is crucial that people isolating with Covid-19 wait until they have received two negative lateral flow tests on two consecutive days to reduce the chance of still being infectious.

The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. If an individual is positive on day 5, then they must continue to test daily until there are 2 negative lateral flow tests 24 hours apart or the full ten days of isolation has passed.

If your child does not have symptoms, count the day they took the test as day 0 (the day after the test will be day 1 of isolation even if the test was taken in the morning). If they subsequently develop symptoms, they will need to restart their isolation period using the day symptoms developed as day 0. **Please let us know if this is the case.**

If your child is finishing their isolation period early because they are well and have produced two negative LFD tests at least 24 hours apart after five full days of isolation please let us know. Please do not send your child into school before the 10 full days of isolation without speaking to the school first.



Examples of when to end self-isolation if you have had COVID-19 symptoms or have received a positive COVID-19 test result

Siblings and Household Contacts

If you are a household contact you can help protect others by following the guidance on how to stay safe and help prevent the spread.

To reduce the spread of COVID-19 in your community:

- Test daily using LFDs
- Do not come into school with COVID-19 symptoms, even if they are mild – book a PCR
- Limit close contact with other people outside your household, especially in enclosed spaces (when not in school)
- Wear a face covering for those aged 11 and over (from school year 7 onwards) in crowded, enclosed or poorly ventilated spaces and when you are in close contact with other people
- Limit contact with anyone who is at higher risk of severe illness if infected with Covid-19
- Follow the guidance on how to stay safe and help prevent the spread -GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

You should follow this advice for at least 10 days.

If you child has already had COVID-19 the 90-day recommendation is still in place, but it states that it is not applicable if you have recovered from Covid and then develop one of the main symptoms e.g. new continuous cough. The guidance is clear that a new main symptom requires a PCR.

Remote Learning

The purpose of remote learning is to ensure that our children who are isolating still have access to the curriculum and are able to continue their learning journey at home. This is to reduce the impact on their education and should be completed if they are well enough. We will not be setting remote learning for any other absences this includes holidays during term time.