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 7th January 2022

Happy new year to you all and welcome back to school!

Welcome back and Happy New Year to everyone. I hope you all enjoyed your Christmas break and have had a good start to 2022. We have had a great start to the new term and all the children have returned to school energised, motivated and have settled back in to school life brilliantly. It's great to be back!

The teachers have uploaded details about your child's learning expedition for this half term, along with their homework grid to their class page on the website. We've got a very exciting half-term of learning ahead of us!

Upcoming Events

Please put these dates in your diaries: January 2021

February 2021 21st – 25th – Half term holiday 28th – Return to school

Attendance

Two classes reached our attendance target of 98% this week. Well done Pico & Fusion!

Oppie –	95.54%	0 - late
Topper –	90.25%	0 - late
Pico –	99.09%	1-late
Fusion –	100%	0 – late
Dart –	94.58%	0 - late

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

Term Dates

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

Punctuality

The school gates are open for **8:40am** and are **closed at 8:50am**. Please ensure that your child arrives at school before 8:50am.

A few children are arriving after 8.50am which is impacting on their learning as they are missing the start of the lesson.

COVID-19 Update

We will continue to do everything in our control to mitigate the spread of the virus at school and keeping the school staffed to ensure that our children receive their full education.

Our mitigation measures remain unchanged and we will continue to require your full support, vigilance and understanding.

Our mitigation measures are:

1. Remain in our class bubbles whilst we are in the school building. Staggered playtimes, lunchtimes and key stage collective worship will remain in place. Key stage bubbles will only mix outside.

- 2. Routine and regular handwashing along with good respiratory hygiene.
- 3. Classrooms will be well ventilated.
- 4. Enhanced cleaning remains in place.
- 5. Staff will lateral flow test regularly.

6. Staff will be wearing facemasks in communal areas and when working in close proximity to children.

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

1. If your child develops COVID-19 symptoms, they should stay at home and you should book them a PCR test (NOT a Lateral Flow Test). If your child develops COVID-19 symptoms at school, they will be sent home and you should book them a PCR test. If your child tests positive for COVID-19, 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). Please let us know if someone in your household tests positive so we can provide support for you. 2. 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 to test the household

before returning to school tomorrow.

3. Maintain a 2 metre distance from other families and staff whilst at school.

4. Wear face coverings if you are unable to maintain a 2 metre distance whilst on school grounds.

5. Swiftly exit the school grounds and do not gather in groups.

6. 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.

Please make sure that you familiarise yourselves with the latest government updates and guidance <u>https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus</u>

Remote Learning

To minimise the disruption to your child's education we will continue to set remote learning via Google Classrooms for children who are isolating. The learning that is set for the children is set in a familiar routine with resources that are both familiar and accessible to them.

After School Clubs

Monday – Netball with Gill for Year 5 and Year 6

Tuesday - Football with Rob for Year 5 and Year 6

Tuesday - Embrace Dance for Year 3 and Year 4

All clubs start at 3:15pm and end at 4:15pm.

We are very sorry but we are unable to offer a club for key stage 1 this term.

Basketball League

Penryn Partnership Basketball league starts on Wednesday 12th January. Mr Studd our PE and Sport Leader will be coaching and accompanying the children to Penryn College. On the weeks that the children do not have matches (Wednesday 19th and the 2nd February) they will be having coaching sessions at school with Mr Studd. Collection time is 4:15pm on these days. We would like to wish our players the very best for a successful league.

Collective Worship

During our daily collective worship this term, we will be revisiting the bible verses that underpin our six school values.



Compassion

2 Cor 1.4 God comes alongside us when we go through hard times, and before you know it, he brings us alongside someone else who is going through hard times, so that we can be there for them just as God was there for us.

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2 Cor 13.12 With God's hope to excite us, nothing holds us back

Peace

Isa 32.17 Where there's Right, there'll be Peace, bringing quiet lives and endless trust.

Perseverance

Heb 10.23 Let's keep a firm grip on the promises that keep us going. God always keeps his word.

Respect

Mat 7.12 Jesus said: Do for others the same things you want them to do for you.

Trust

Romans 4.5 If you see that a job is too big for you, that it's something only God can do, and you trust him to do it, well that's what gets you right with God

Eph 2.8 Saving us is all God's idea and all his work. All we do is trust him enough to let us do it.

Breakfast Club

Our popular Breakfast Club runs Monday to Friday from 8am and provides the children with a happy and healthy start to their school day. To book a place please email the office. It is $\pounds 3$ a session (payable via ParentPay) and will provide your children with a positive start to their day.

Starting School 2022

The deadline for September 2022 reception class applications is fast approaching.

Parents and carers of children born between **1 September 2017 and 31 August 2018** who are due to start school in a reception class in September 2022 need to apply by midnight on **15 January 2022**.

https://cornwall.cloud.servelecsynergy.com/SynergyWeb/Parents/default.as px

Weather Updates

Snow has <u>not</u> been forecast but we just wanted to remind you of our school closure procedure.



If we know that we need to close, the school before the school day starts then we will let you know via ClassDojo.

If we need to contact you during the day to let you know that we need to close the school due to snow then we will do this <u>via ClassDojo</u>.

For this reason, please check that you are getting the notifications. If you did not receive the messages on ClassDojo please speak to Miss Pridmore.

Attendance Reminder

We do understand there are times when children will need to be absent from school for a number of reasons. As a result, we will only consider authorising absences in the following instances:

- For sickness or ill health
- For COVID-19 isolation
- For medical consultant appointments which fall during school hours
- For religious or cultural observances
- For a family emergency

If your child is absent, please <u>phone</u> the school by 9:00am on the first day of absence and provide us with the reason for their absence. The school is obliged to keep a record of absences and these are recorded on your child's report. Unauthorised absence and persistent lateness must be reported to the Local Authority's Attendance and Welfare Officer for further support and action. Please do not send message via ClassDojo as they may be missed.

Reminder about Holidays during term time

We also understand that after a very testing time we would all like nothing more than a holiday. Please remember that under current legislation parent/carers taking their child on an unauthorised holiday in term time could be subject to a fixed penalty fine. This is something we would like to avoid happening. Thank you for your support and understanding.

There have been amendments to the Education Regulations (Pupil Registration 2006) act. These amendments remove reference to family holiday and extended leave as well as the statutory threshold of ten school days. The amendments make clear that head teachers may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances.

Whilst we understand that some absences may include times when your child is ill or attending appointments, (preferably out of school time) it is important that we all work together to try to ensure that your child has the best possible chance of success whilst at school.

If you decide to still take your child out of school, without permission, you will be committing an offence under the Education Act 1996. We may refer the matter to Cornwall Council who may decide to take legal action against you. A penalty notice can be issued under Section 444A and 444B of the Education Act 1996. This carries a fine per child, per parent, of £60 if paid within 21 days or £120 if paid after this but within 28 days. Failure to pay the penalty notice may result in Court action. Persistent absences not authorised by the school may result in a prosecution in the Magistrates Court, leading to fines up to £2,500 and / or custodial sentences. The Council may also apply for the costs incurred in taking the matter to court.

PE Uniform

One of the positive Impacts of our COVID operating procedures is that the children have been coming into school in their PE uniform. By removing the changing element, we have increased the amount of time that children are active and have almost eliminated lost property!



The children should be coming into school on their PE days in their Mawnan PE uniform. From September, we added the Mawnan zipped sports top and tracksuit bottoms to our uniform list. The zipper top and tracksuit trousers are for when the weather is cooler and will mean that the children look smart and are comfortable.

Jumpers or cardigans are for school uniform day and the zipped sports top is for PE days only.



Parent Governor Vacancy - January 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

I am writing to you to invite you to stand for election as a Parent Governor, or nominate another parent to do so. In our school we have provision for two Parent Governor(s) and there is currently ONE vacancy.

The Governing Board, with the Headteacher, has overall responsibility for the running of the school. Governing Boards have three core strategic functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

No special qualifications are needed and the most important thing is to have a keen interest in the school and be prepared to play an active part in the Governing Board's work. However, we would particularly welcome nominations from parents with the following skills: background in business and finance, or someone with SEN or social care experience. Training is available for all Governors and this Governing Board has an expectation that those new to being a Governor attend free induction training. The enclosed sheet summarises the circumstances under which someone cannot serve as a Governor. In addition, parents/carers who have paid employment in the school for 500 or more hours per academic year or who are elected members of the Local Authority are not eligible to stand in these elections. Nominations must be from parents or carers with children at the school on the day that nominations close.

If you would like to stand for election please complete the nomination form and return it to the school no later than **3.15pm on Monday**, **17/01/2022**. You may also include a short personal statement to support your nomination, which should be no longer than 250 words. Self-nominations will be accepted, but if you are nominating another parent please seek their prior consent.

If there are more nominations than vacancies the election will be by secret ballot. If that is necessary, voting papers will be sent to all parents together with details of the ballot procedure.

Documentation can be found at: http://mawnanschool.com/web/parent_governor_vacancy january_2022/589565

Yours faithfully,

Mrs R. Rawley

Returning Officer



Swimming

Just a reminder that swimming will be taking place this term. We will be holding individual assessment days for Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 to determine which individuals will receive lessons for the rest of the term.

Year 6 will be swimming Friday, 07/01/2022.

Year 5 will be swimming Friday, 14/01/2022.

Year 4 will be swimming Friday, 21/01/2022.

If possible could the children wear their swimmers under their uniforms? If this is not possible, they will be able to change at school during lunch, but we would like to keep this to a minimum.

Please make sure that your child brings a swimming costume/shorts, a towel, goggles and a swimming hat.

Vacancy - Catering Manager



Catering Manager- job post

Autograph Education Catering Falmouth TR11 £10.01 an hour - Full-time, Permanent Employer actively reviewed candidates 2 days ago Responded to 51-74% of applications in the past 30 days, typically within 7 days. Apply now

We are looking for a school catering manager to work Mon- Fri, term time only 30 hours per week in one of our Primary Schools.

Duties include:

*Working with our dedicated recipes and ensuring that all A &I pupils receive their bespoke meals

*managing a small team of catering assistants who will assist you with the lunch time service

*ordering, cooking and managing the food (2-3 choice menu) on a daily basis

* General H&S, staff training and all associated areas of paperwork within the kitchen.

* MUST have very good customer service skills and be able to communicate with the pupils and the school staff.

This position is term time only (38 weeks a year) plus 3 cleaning days. You will also be paid 4 weeks holiday. If you are a good cook and enjoy long holidays then this could be the job for you. Don't delay apply today.

Immediate start once all the paperwork and DBS checks have been completed.

Job Types: Full-time, Permanent

Salary: £10.01 per hour

Schedule:

Further information available from Anna Jones: anna.jones@mitie.com







Mawnan Church of England VA Primary School - After School Dance Club for School Years 3 & 4

Embrace Dance Fitness is very excited to announce that we will be holding an after-school dance club at school for the next half term every Tuesday at 3:15pm – 4:15pm with Sammy Jo.

The dance club includes fun and easy to follow routines. Sammy Jo will break down the steps adding games and activities into each class. Full of fun and fitness.

This will be booked on a half term basis (6 sessions) starting on Tuesday 11th Jan, finishing on Tuesday 15th Feb.

The cost is £18 per child, £3 per session.

The club requires a minimum of 15 children to be booked on, if less the price may increase or the sessions could be cancelled or may be re-scheduled.

How to book your children on to the after-school dance club.

You will need to register on the Embrace Dance Fitness website, and add your children onto your account.

If you have not registered please follow the below instructions. If you already have an account, please follow from step 4 after logging in.

- 1. Visit www.embracedancefitness.co.uk/home
- 2. Scroll down to the book classes section and click Register.
- 3. Create your account by adding your details.
- 4. Once complete click profile.
- 5. Register a payment card if you haven't already.
- 6. Click My Family.
- 7. Click Add another account.
- 8. Add the details of the children you would like to book on to the dance club.
- 9. Contact Embrace Dance Fitness by emailing <u>hello@embracedancefitness.co.uk</u> to book a space, stating your school and yours and the child's full name.

Many thanks and see you at dance club!

