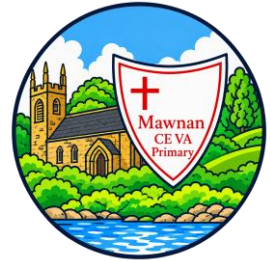


THE MAWNAN LIGHT

Friday 25th September 2026



COMPASSION • HOPE • PEACE • PERSEVERANCE • RESPECT • TRUST

Working with ShelterBox – Making a Difference

We are incredibly proud to have been working with ShelterBox, the Cornwall-based international disaster relief charity, on an important campaign highlighting the impact of disasters on children around the world.

Last week, some of our children had the very special opportunity to work with the ShelterBox team and help create their 45 Million Children campaign film. The finished video has now been released and we are delighted to be able to share it with our families.

The campaign highlights a sobering fact: millions of children around the world are displaced by disasters, losing not only their homes but the safety, stability and everyday routines that every child deserves.

Working with ShelterBox has given our children an opportunity to think beyond our own community and consider the experiences of children elsewhere in the world. It has encouraged conversations about compassion, global responsibility and the difference that individuals and communities can make when they choose to help others.

From learning to action

We are particularly proud of Ernie in Year 5, who has been inspired to take action himself.

After learning about the devastating floods in Nepal and the work ShelterBox is doing to support those affected, Ernie has decided to raise money by running at least 50km during October.

What a fantastic challenge and a wonderful example of turning compassion into action. We will be cheering Ernie on throughout the month!

Families who would like to support Ernie's challenge can find his fundraising page here:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/will-leggett-3>

ShelterBox is encouraging people to learn more about the experiences of children affected by disasters and to show their support for the campaign:

Support the 45 Million Children campaign:

<https://shelterbox.org/children-handraiser/>

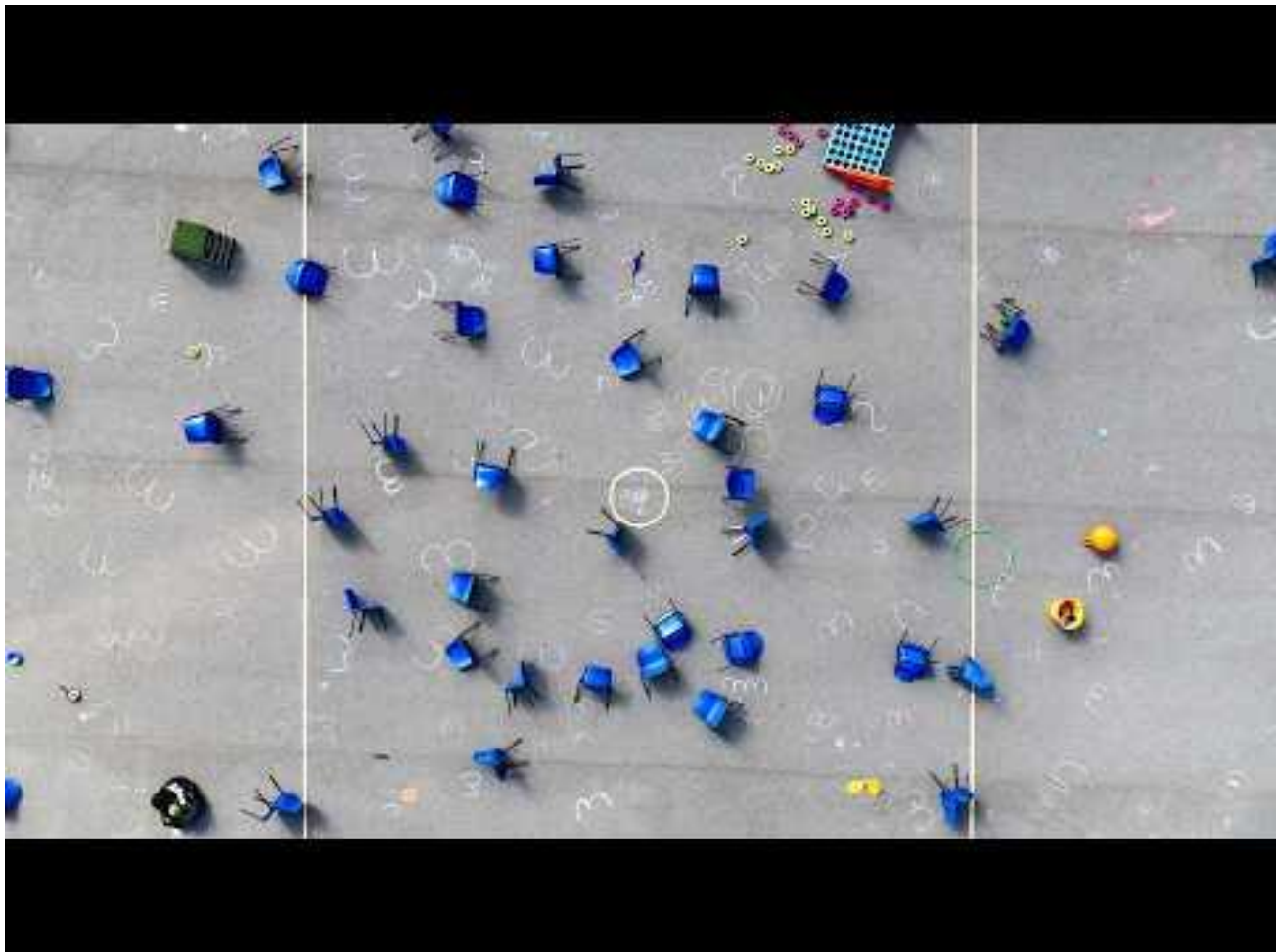
Families who would like to support ShelterBox's work responding to the floods in Nepal can also find out more about the appeal here:

Nepal Flash Floods Appeal:

<https://shelterbox.org/where-we-work/nepal-flash-floods/>

We are so proud that our children have been able to contribute to this important work and especially proud to see that their involvement is already inspiring further action.

It is a wonderful example of our children looking beyond themselves, showing compassion for others and truly letting their light shine.



Reminder: Come along to our PTA AGM

A warm reminder that our PTA would love to welcome you to their forthcoming AGM. It is a lovely opportunity to meet the team, hear about their work and find out how you could get involved.

Our small but dedicated PTA does so much for Mawnan, organising fantastic events and special treats, and raising funds for resources and opportunities that benefit all our children.

Whether you can offer a little time occasionally or would like to take on a bigger role, your support would be greatly appreciated. We hope to see you there!



Harvest Service

Our Harvest Service with Rev. Johanna Clare will take place at **St Michael's Church on Tuesday 6 October at 9:30am**. We will leave school at approximately 9:15am to walk to church together.

Please come and join us for some singing and harvest cheer as we give thanks and celebrate together. We would love to see you there!

If you are able, please send your child with a harvest donation for the **Trussell Trust food bank** to take to church on the day. The items most needed are:

- Long-life semi-skimmed milk
- Tinned meat, such as ham, and tinned tuna
- Tinned vegetables, such as peas and carrots
- Tinned meat and vegetable soups
- Tinned fruit and tinned rice pudding
- Weetabix
- Small bottles of squash
- Small jars of coffee
- Bags of sugar
- Toilet rolls, washing-up liquid and deodorant

Every donation will help a local family experiencing hardship. Harvest is a special opportunity for our children to give thanks for the food we enjoy and reflect on how we can care for others in our community.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.



School Admissions for September 2027

Although the new academic year has only just begun, applications are now open for children starting primary school and for Year 6 pupils transferring to secondary school in September 2027.

- The deadline for **secondary school applications is 31 October 2026.**
- The deadline for **primary school applications is 15 January 2027.**

Applications should be made online through [Cornwall School Admissions](https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions).

We know that choosing and applying for a school can feel like a significant decision. If you have any questions or would like support with the application process, please come and speak to us. We are always happy to help.



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The
deadline for
applications is
**15 January
2027**

Do you have a
child born **between
1 September 2022
and 31 August 2023?**

If so, you will need to apply
for a place in a reception
class in September 2027 for
your child by the deadline
of **15 January 2027.**



Please note: you will need to apply even if your child attends a school's nursery or pre-school class. If a school is oversubscribed the fact that a child attends a school's nursery or pre-school, or a local nursery or pre-school, does not automatically guarantee a place at that school. The school's oversubscription criteria will be used to allocate places. Visit our website or contact us for more information.

Visit www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions for more information and to access the online application system.



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RECEPTION 2027 SCHOOL TOURS

Do you have a child who is due to start school in September 2027?
We'd love to meet you and show you around our lovely school.



Tuesday 22 September 2026
9:30–10:30am

Monday 5 October 2026
1:30–2:30pm

Tuesday 20 October 2026
9:30–10:30am

Monday 9 November 2026
1:30–2:30pm

Tuesday 24 November 2026
11:00am–12:00pm

Monday 7 December 2026
1:30–2:30pm

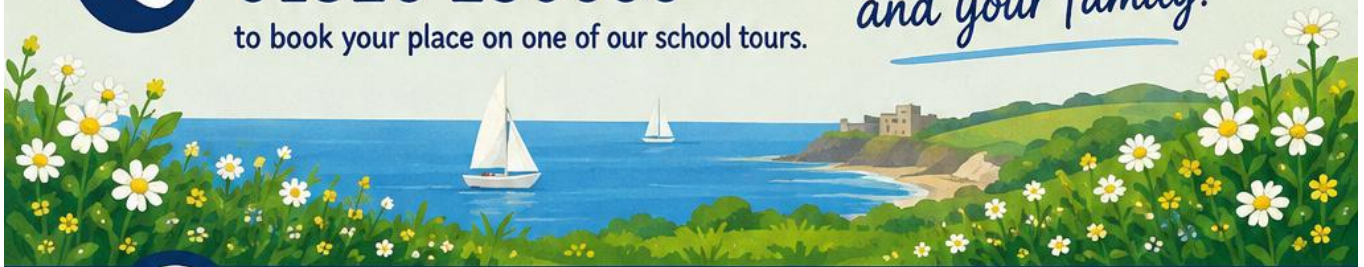


Please phone

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to book your place on one of our school tours.

*We'd love to meet you
and your family!*



Mawnan CE VA Primary School

Netball and Football League

Our amazing Netball and Football League teams have had a busy week, taking on some tough opposition!

The standard of netball competition has really stepped up this year, and our team did a fantastic job. What a fantastic effort from the team!

The football team are really starting to gel as a team, and by their third match, we could already see a fantastic improvement in their teamwork, communication and understanding on the pitch.

It has been great to see the players putting what they have been practising into action and working together as a team. We're really looking forward to their next matches and seeing their confidence, skills and teamwork continue to develop.

(Football photo to come next week!)



Year 5: T1 Rugby Mega Fest at Penryn College

Some of Year 5s chose to go and take part in the Penryn College T1 Rugby Festival. Mawnan were put into two teams and played tournament games against other schools. Throughout the tournament new skills such as focusing on ball carrying, passing, finding space and working as a team were introduced and developed.

It was a great morning and Mrs Williams and Cameron really enjoyed watching everyone getting involved, having fun and developing their teamwork skills!



After-School Wraparound Childcare

Our after-school wraparound childcare provides a friendly, relaxed and safe environment for children at the end of the school day. Children can enjoy a range of activities, spend time with friends and receive a light snack, while parents benefit from flexible, reliable childcare.

The club runs Monday to Thursday:

3:15–4:15pm — £6

3:15–5:30pm — £12

Places should be booked and paid for in advance through ParentPay. If your child is booked into wraparound until 5:30pm and chooses to attend one of our enrichment clubs, you will not need to pay separately for the enrichment club, with the exception of skateboarding.

Using our wraparound provision not only supports busy families but also helps us to maintain and develop this valuable service for the school community. We would love to welcome more children!

Attendance and Leave During Term Time

Term-time leave can only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. Under the national framework, schools must consider requesting a penalty notice when a child has 10 unauthorised sessions—usually five school days—within a rolling period of 10 school weeks. The sessions may include unauthorised leave, other unauthorised absence or late arrival after registration has closed.

A first penalty notice is £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days, rising to £160 if paid within 28 days. A second notice for the same child within three years is charged at £160, with no reduced rate. A third offence within three years may lead to prosecution rather than a further penalty notice.

Attendance information is shared daily with the Department for Education and the local authority. This helps schools and services identify patterns, offer support and make sure children receive their entitlement to education.

Our priority is always to work with families so that children can attend regularly and thrive. Every school day matters.

Term Dates

Information Classification: PUBLIC

Cornwall Council

2026/27 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools



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September 2026						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

October 2026						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24	31	
Sun	4	11	18	25		

November 2026						
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	

December 2026						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24	31	
Fri	4	11	18	25		
Sat	5	12	19	26		
Sun	6	13	20	27		

January 2027						
Mon		4	11	18	25	
Tue		5	12	19	26	
Wed		6	13	20	27	
Thurs		7	14	21	28	
Fri	1	8	15	22	29	
Sat	2	9	16	23	30	
Sun	3	10	17	24	31	

February 2027						
Mon		1	8	15	22	
Tue		2	9	16	23	
Wed		3	10	17	24	
Thurs		4	11	18	25	
Fri		5	12	19	26	
Sat		6	13	20	27	
Sun		7	14	21	28	

March 2027						
Mon	1	8	15	22	29	
Tue	2	9	16	23	30	
Wed	3	10	17	24	31	
Thurs	4	11	18	25		
Fri	5	12	19	26		
Sat	6	13	20	27		
Sun	7	14	21	28		

April 2027						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
Sat	3	10	17	24		
Sun	4	11	18	25		

May 2027						
Mon		3	10	17	24	31
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
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June 2027						
Mon		7	14	21	28	
Tue	1	8	15	22	29	
Wed	2	9	16	23	30	
Thurs	3	10	17	24		
Fri	4	11	18	25		
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July 2027						
Mon		5	12	19	26	
Tue		6	13	20	27	
Wed		7	14	21	28	
Thurs	1	8	15	22	29	
Fri	2	9	16	23	30	
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August 2027						
Mon		2	9	16	23	30
Tue		3	10	17	24	31
Wed		4	11	18	25	
Thurs		5	12	19	26	
Fri		6	13	20	27	
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School holidays

Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2026
Boxing Day	28 December 2026
New Years Day	01 January 2027
Good Friday	26 March 2027
Easter Monday	29 March 2027
May Bank Holiday	03 May 2027
Spring Bank Holiday	31 May 2027
Summer Bank Holiday	30 August 2027

AUTUMN TERM (72 days)

3 September - 18 December 2026
(HALF TERM 26 - 30 October 2026)

SPRING TERM (54 days)

4 January - 25 March 2027
(HALF TERM 15 - 19 February 2027)

SUMMER TERM (69 days)

12 April - 23 July 2027
(HALF TERM 31 May - 4 June 2027)

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.

Academy, trust and voluntary-aided schools set their own term dates and INSET days.

Important Dates

MONTH	KEY DATES
September 2026	Thu 3 and Fri 4 – INSET days Mon 7 – Children return
October 2026	Tues – Harvest Service at St Michael's Church Mon 26–Fri 30 – Half-term holiday
November 2026	Fri 6 – School Immunisations Thurs 12 – School individual photos Week beginning Mon 16 – Parent–teacher meetings
December 2026	Thu 3 – Christingle Service at St Michael's Church Tue 15 – Candlelit Carols for KS2 at St Mawnan Church Fri 18 – Last day of autumn term
January 2027	Mon 4 – Children return

February 2027	Mon 15–Fri 19 – Half-term holiday
March 2027	Week beginning Mon 15 – Parent–teacher meetings Tue 23 School Eucharist at St Michael's Church Thu 25 – Last day of spring term
April 2027	Mon 12 – Children return
May 2027	Mon 3 – Bank holiday; school closed Mon 10–Thu 13 – KS2 SATs Mon 31 May–Fri 4 Jun – Half-term holiday
June 2027	Mon 7–Wed 9 – INSET days Thu 10 – Children return Mon 7–Fri 18 – Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check window Week beginning Mon 14 – Year 1 Phonics Screening Check
July 2027	Fri 9 – Sports Day Fri 23 – Last day of academic year & Y6 leaver's service

Conflict Resolution

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- 1. FORMULATE POLICY**
When a school has a clear process for conflict resolution which is used by everyone, it helps pupils to learn the skills of dealing with conflict and to know what is expected when it does occur.
- 2. MANAGE EMOTIONS**
Before any conflict is to be resolved, pupils need to access their executive functions such as thinking, listening and problem solving. This is not possible when their emotions are in charge. Help them to find the best way of calming down, and support them in this process if necessary.
- 3. ESTABLISH THE FACTS**
Seek to gain the whole picture of what has happened from all parties so that the different perspectives are understood by all. This involves pupils actively listening to each other.
- 4. BUILD EMPATHY**
If pupils understand their own feelings and those of others, it will begin to build empathy and an establishment of connection and reconnection between all those involved.
- 5. IDENTIFY RESPONSIBILITY**
Where appropriate, it is important that pupils take responsibility for their actions and the consequences it has had for those involved. A good prompt for this might be 'Could you have done something differently to change what happened?'
- 6. DISCUSS SOLUTIONS**
Share ideas and problem solve. Seek to reach agreement on the most suitable solution or solutions. This may need to be modelled by an adult to begin with.
- 7. BE CONSISTANT & PATIENT**
Helping pupils learn the skill of conflict resolution takes time, particularly where strong emotions are involved, or pupils have not had good conflict resolution modelled before.
- 8. PRACTISE IN THE CLASSROOM**
If pupils can learn skills such as calming down techniques, active listening, debating and problem solving during lessons away from actual conflict, the better they will be able to employ these skills when conflicts do arise and strong emotions run high.

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Support Louis & His Family This Christmas

A family who have been a part of the Mawnan School family for many years are raising money for their amazing little boy, Louis Clowes, and the fight against childhood cancer.

We would love to help support this wonderful family and encourage our Mawnan families to get behind this amazing cause.

🗺️ Santa's Grotto – Raising Money for Young Lives vs Cancer

📍 Penwarne Farm Campsite

📅 12th & 13th December

🕒 10am–4pm

💰 £5 per child

It promises to be a magical Santa's Grotto experience for a very special cause, and every bit of support will make a difference. The café will also be open, and there will be a cake sale on the day. If you are able to donate a cake for the sale, please message Jodie directly.

Please come along, bring the family, enjoy some festive fun and help us support Louis, his family and Young Lives vs Cancer.

