



Mawnan CE VA School Newsletter

Using our God-given talents to let our light shine



Our core Christian Values: *Compassion, Hope, Peace, Perseverance, Respect, Trust*

Friday 22nd May 2026

As we reach the end of another half term, I would like to thank all of our children, staff and families for their continued support. Although it has been a short half term, it has certainly been a productive one, with so much learning, achievement and teamwork taking place across the school.

We are now looking forward to the final half term of the year and hoping it will bring some warmer, sunnier weather for us all to enjoy! There is certainly plenty to look forward to, including trips, residential visits, Sports Day and transition activities as we prepare children for their next steps.

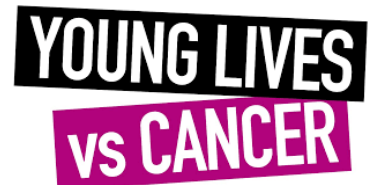
As always, we encourage our children to continue to 'Let Your Light Shine' through kindness, resilience and confidence in all that they do.

A reminder that Monday 1st June is an INSET Day and school will be closed to pupils. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday 2nd June.

Wishing everyone a restful and enjoyable half term break.

Thank You for Your Kind Donations

We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for your kind donations in support of Young Lives vs Cancer.



Thanks to your generosity and support, we have raised an amazing **£242.44** today!

We are incredibly proud of our school community for coming together to support such an important cause. Thank you once again for your kindness and continued support.

Wraparound Update

Our wraparound club has now been operating for just over a year. The provision was initially established through expansion funding, which enabled the school to launch and develop the service for families within our community. During this time, the club has become a valued part of school life, providing high-quality care, a safe and enjoyable environment for children and an important service for working families. We are proud of the positive relationships that have been built and the enjoyment the children experience through the provision. This initial funding is now coming to an end.

Although the school remains fully committed to providing wraparound care wherever possible, the club is currently operating at a financial loss and is no longer sustainable in its current format. We now need to find a way of operating the club that is cost neutral. The provision must be sustainable, reliable, continue to meet the needs of families and keep costs as low as possible.

The only way we can achieve this is by reducing staffing costs through shortening the operating hours of the club and increasing the number of children attending. Over recent months, we have carefully monitored and reviewed attendance patterns. This has shown that there are consistently very low numbers of children staying until 6.00pm and similarly low attendance on Fridays. As a result, from September 2026 we will be reducing our operating hours and changing the days on which the provision operates.

From September 2026, the revised offer will include:

- New operating times: 3.15pm – 5.15pm
- Updated session costs: £6 until 4.15pm and £10 until 5.15pm
- Reduced operating days: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (closed on Fridays)
- A “pay for place” model, meaning that booked sessions until 5.15pm will be charged in full, regardless of whether your child attends from 3.15pm or joins after attending a school enrichment club at 4.15pm.

These changes are necessary to ensure that the provision can continue in a financially viable way while still supporting families who rely on wraparound care.

In order to support our forward planning, please could you complete this short Google questionnaire to share your childcare needs:

<https://forms.gle/efVp1wPxvy26zrFF6>

Please complete the form by Wednesday 3rd June at 5pm. Thank you for your continued support.

Enrichment Clubs: Summer Term 2

The clubs will roll over in Summer Term 2 without any changes and no further Google forms to be completed.

There will NO CONSTRUCTION CLUB on the first week back Thursday June 4th, due to a New starter meeting in Oppie. This club will resume as normal the following week.

Payment for 6 more weeks of skateboarding has been added to Parentpay.

After School Clubs Summer (2) 2026

Clubs will start on Tuesday 2nd June 2026

Day	Club	Staff	Year Group	Max Spaces
Monday	Golf	Mick	Yr 5 & 6	10
Monday	Netball	Mrs Watson and Jules Walkey	5&6	18
Tuesday	Dance	Embrace	Yr 1,2 &3	18
Tuesday	Football	PAFC	Yr 2,3	18
Tuesday	Skateboarding (£4 per session – 6 wk term)	Coach Frank Skateboarding	5&6	12
Wednesday	Gardening	Zinnia	Yr 3	16
Thursday	Construction and Games	Miss Law & Miss Ockwell	Yr R & 1	16
Thursday	Running Club	Mrs Watson and Mrs Timmins	Yr 3-6	26
Friday	Football	Cameron W, Andrew W	Year 4-6	20
Friday	Sailing (Forms have been sent)	HRST and Miss Pridmore	Year 6	

Egyptian Food

Today, Pico and Fusion had the pleasure of welcoming Richard from Chartwells into school to create some delicious Egyptian-style food!

The children started by making Egyptian herb flatbreads, followed by a fresh Pharaoh's salad with lettuce, cucumbers, parsley, mint, chickpeas and a lovely dressing of lemon, honey and olive oil. To finish, they made a rolled oat, honey and a date paste pudding. The delicious smells coming from the hall were amazing!

The children also learnt how they can experiment at home by making different types of bread — so watch this space, parents!

Did you know that ancient Egyptians didn't have tomatoes or sugar? The children found this fascinating as they explored foods and flavours from another culture.

A huge thank you to Richard and Chartwells for such a fun, cultural and tasty experience!





Pudsey Bear sets sail for Falmouth



Pudsey Bear is setting sail for Falmouth this May as part of the Big Bear Voyage 2026, a round-Britain fundraising journey in support of BBC Children in Need. Travelling more than 2,200 nautical miles and visiting 35 coastal towns and cities, the voyage aims to raise awareness and funds for children's mental health.

Visitors will have the chance to meet Pudsey at the National Maritime Museum Cornwall during May Half Term on Saturday 23rd May.

<https://nmmc.co.uk/2026/05/pudsey-bear-sets-sail-for-falmouth/>

Attendance Matters

A gentle reminder to all families that under current government regulations, schools are unable to authorise holidays during term time except in exceptional circumstances. This is not a decision made by individual schools, and unauthorised absences may result in a penalty notice being issued.

We kindly ask parents to ensure that the reason given for any absence is accurate and honest, as schools have a duty to monitor attendance carefully and follow government guidance.

Thank you for your continued support in helping children attend regularly and make the most of every learning opportunity.

Term Dates 2025/2026

Date	Event
25 th – 29 th May	May Half Term
1 st June	Inset Day 3
2 nd June	Return to School
21 st July	Last Day of School
22 nd July	Inset Day 4
23 rd July	Inset Day 5

Key Dates to remember 2025/2026

Date	Event
1 st and 12 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check
8 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening
12 th June	Year 3 Elemental Beach Trip
17 th – 19 th June	Year 4 & 5 Camp to BF Adventure
24 th -26 th June	Year 6 Camp to Porthpean
3 rd July	Sports Day
10 th July	Sports Day (reserve day)

Children's Wellbeing and Schools Act



The government's new Children's Wellbeing and Schools Act aims to improve safeguarding, support families and raise standards in education. Key changes include expanding free breakfast clubs, widening eligibility for free school meals, and limiting the number of branded school uniform items to help reduce costs for families.

The Act also introduces stronger measures to protect vulnerable children and improve support for children in care and those educated outside of school. You can read more here:

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2026/05/the-childrens-wellbeing-bill-what-parents-need-to-know/>

Save the Date: PINS

SEN (following on from PINS Project) Coffee morning for new joiners and existing parents will be on Friday 10th July 9-10am.

Parenting Resources



Cornwall Council's Parenting Support pages provide a wide range of free help and advice for families with children of all ages. Parents and carers can access workshops, online resources and local Family Hub services covering topics such as child development, emotional wellbeing, behaviour, sleep and online safety.

<https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/childrens-services/parenting/>

A pink and purple promotional poster for 'TOGETHERNESS'. At the top left, it says 'TOGETHERNESS' in purple. Below that, 'Dealing with tricky emotions?' is written in pink. Underneath, 'Parenting ideas you can trust' is in purple. On the right, there's an image of two women sitting at a table. The NHS logo is in the top right corner. In the center, a white circle contains the text 'Enter the Access Code: TAMAR FREE for residents of: Cornwall'. To the right of the circle are a blue star character and a green and yellow bandage character. At the bottom left, there are logos for 'CORNWALL COUNCIL' and 'Together for Families'. At the bottom right, the website 'togetherness.co.uk' is listed.

[Togetherness](#) is an NHS-backed online resource that supports parents, carers, grandparents and teenagers with emotional wellbeing, child development and positive relationships. It offers short, easy-to-follow learning pathways created by clinical psychologists and health professionals, covering topics from pregnancy and baby development through to teenage mental health and behaviour. The resource helps families better understand emotions, behaviour and relationships, with practical advice to build confidence and resilience at home.

MAWNAN SUMMER BASH

CARWINION HOUSE

SATURDAY 18TH JULY

FROM 4PM

**GAMES & PRIZES
CHILDRENS DISCO
BANDS
AFTER PARTY DJ**

**FOOD & DRINKS
COCKTAIL BAR**

RAISING FUNDS FOR MAWNAN SCHOOL

ADULTS £8 KIDS GO FREE

EVERYONE WELCOME!