# 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 28th November 2025

#### **PTA Movie Night**

We are delighted to share that our recent Movie Night raised **a fantastic £427.85** A huge thank you to all PTA and staff who gave their time and energy to help make the evening such a success.

As always, the children were wonderful. With beanbags scattered about and the cosiest of onesies on display, they made the most of every moment. It was a fun-filled evening from start to finish, and we are so pleased it was enjoyed by all.

#### **Poppy Donations**

The Royal British Legion would like to thank the children and parents of Mawnan School for their generosity in the recent Poppy Appeal. We **collected £86.56**, which will help the Royal British Legion continue their vital work.



#### **Basketball**

This morning our Year 6 Basketball team took part in the Penryn Partnership Basketball qualifier. They faced four other teams—Mabe, Perran-ar-Worthal, Flushing and Stithians. As always, they showed fantastic sportsmanship, worked brilliantly together, and finished in a very proud second place!

The Penryn team leaders were also fantastic this morning, and we are very grateful for all the events Penryn College provides for the primary catchment schools.



# Supporting Children to deal with upsetting Content

They might not be able to pinpoint a location on a map, and they might not fully grasp the historical and political drivers behind certain conflicts – but in this age where news, images and video can cross continents in seconds, many children are able to access distressing news at the touch of a button. This could, of course, cause youngsters extreme distress and worry.

Our #WakeUpWednesday guide contains some valuable pointers for supporting children to deal with upsetting content they've encountered online, whether it involves conflicts, ongoing worries over the environment, or something else entirely. Our tips will assist trusted adults in helping young people to process any negative emotions that they may be feeling.



#### **Wraparound Childcare at Our School**

We are delighted to offer a high-quality wraparound childcare service designed to support busy families and provide children with a safe, happy, and engaging place to spend their afternoons.

Our wraparound provision runs **Monday to Friday**, **3:15 pm to 6:00 pm during term time** (excluding INSET days) and offers **up to 30 places per day**. Being based on our own school site means children can enjoy familiar surroundings while making full use of our excellent facilities and beautiful grounds.

Children take part in a wide range of activities they genuinely love, from creative arts and cooking to outdoor play, games, quiet time, and opportunities to unwind after the school day. Our staff ensure every session is nurturing, fun, and tailored to the needs and interests of the children.

We are pleased to offer families flexible booking options to fit around work, clubs, and home life. You can choose individual sessions or block bookings, with three session times available each day:

- **Session 1:** 3:15pm 4:15pm **£5**
- **Session 2:** 4:15pm 5:30pm **£5**
- **Session 3:** 5:30pm 6:00pm **£5**

We are committed to making this service successful and sustainable for future years, and we are continuing to invest time, care, and resources into ensuring it remains high-quality and affordable. To achieve this, we do need to increase the number of children attending, and we warmly encourage families to make use of the provision whenever it supports their routines.

If you would like more information or wish to make a booking, please contact the school office or <u>wraparound@mawnanschool.com</u>





#### **CHRISTMAS EVENTS**

# December is on its way!

As we enter the final month of the year, I am delighted to share the exciting plans we have in place for the festive season. Christmas is a time of joy, compassion, and togetherness, and here at Mawnan School we take great pride in celebrating these values with our children, families, and wider community.

Over the coming weeks, our school will be filled with opportunities to create special memories, showcase the children's wonderful talents, and come together in the spirit of kindness and celebration. We look forward to sharing these moments with you and hope they bring warmth and cheer to the end of the year.

# **Christingle and Christingle Candles**

On **Thursday 4th December**, we will gather for one of our most cherished traditions – our Christingle celebration. This joyful and heartwarming service marks the true beginning of the Christmas season. The children will each receive their own Christingle and learn about the meaning behind its special elements. It is always a wonderful occasion that brings our



whole school community together in a spirit of warmth and light.

This week, we have also sent home the Christingle candle money boxes to help raise funds for the Children's Society. We would be very grateful if these could be returned to school by **Wednesday 3rd December**, ready to be taken to the church for our service on Thursday. Each family receives one money box, which has been given to the oldest child.

Thank you, as always, for your support in making this event so special.

## Key Stage 2 Candlelit Carols at St Mawnan Church

We are delighted to let you know that on Tuesday 16th December, our Key Stage 2 children will be presenting their annual Carol Service at St Mawnan Church (the old church). This much-loved candlelit celebration will begin at 6pm, and we kindly ask that children arrive from 5:45pm, dressed in their Christmas jumpers to add to the festive cheer.

Due to the church's limited capacity, this event is reserved for **Key Stage 2** families (Pico, Fusion, and Dart), with a maximum of two tickets per family. These tickets have been sent home with your KS2 children today. We are sorry for the restriction, but the combination of our larger cohorts and the intimate size of the church makes this necessary. Thank you for your understanding.

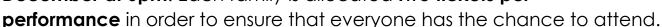
As parking at the church is extremely limited, we strongly encourage lift **sharing** wherever possible to help ease congestion.

We are very much looking forward to a joyful and uplifting evening together.

# **Oppie and Topper Class Nativity**

I am delighted to share that free tickets for our upcoming Christmas performances will be sent home next week. Rehearsals are already well underway, and the children are sounding wonderful and we are so excited to showcase their hard work.

The children in Oppie and Topper Class will be performing on Tuesday 9th December at 2pm and Wednesday 10th **December at 6pm**. Each family is allocated **two tickets per** 



If you would like to swap your afternoon or evening tickets with another family, please feel free to arrange this directly with them. Should you have any unwanted tickets, we kindly ask that you return them to the school office so they can be offered to others, such as grandparents. We will let families know if any spare tickets become available.



For siblings in **Key Stage 2**, there will be an opportunity to watch the Nativity on the afternoon of **Monday 8th December**. During the **6pm performance on Wednesday 10th**, a film will be shown in one of the classrooms for siblings of the children performing.

We are very much looking forward to these special performances and to celebrating the festive season together.

#### Christmas Dinner – Wednesday 17th December

Our school Christmas Dinner will be served on **Wednesday**, **17th December**. You can now book this festive meal through ParentPay. Please book as soon as you can so our kitchen team knows how many children to cater for. Thank you!

# Secret Santa



The much loved and exciting Secret Santa (one of the favourite events of the year!) will soon be here - 12th December.

Thank you to everyone who has kindly donated gifts so far. We are still very low in comparison to other years and would really love for each child to be able to buy for two family members at the very least.

Please keep your unwanted gifts or items (in good condition) coming in, it makes this special event all the more magical and it's hugely appreciated!



No books please. Anything else goes!

Date	Event	What you need to know
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Source FM Carols for Christmas Concert at the Princess Pavilions – School Choir only	
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christingle Services	This service will be happening at St Michael's Church at 9:30am Please being in your Christingle candle moneyboxes by Tuesday 3rd. All of the money raised goes to the Children's Society.
Monday 8th December	Nativity dress rehearsal for KS2	
Tuesday 9th December	Oppie and Topper Nativity at 2pm	Please see the information above about tickets.
Wednesday 10th December	Oppie and Topper Nativity at 6pm	Please see the information above about tickets.
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Squash Box Theatre	This special Christmas treat has been funded by the PTA.
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day	We would like the children to come into school wearing their Christmas jumpers instead of their Mawnan. jumper. We will not be asking for donations.

Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Secret Santa	This PTA event will be an opportunity for the children to buy preloved gifts for their families. The gifts will be wrapped and labelled by our team of volunteers.  Thank you all for your wonderful donations.  The children will need to bring in a bag and some money (ideally pound coins). Each item is a £1.
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Key Stage 2 Candlelit Carols at St Mawnan Church (old church).	This candlelit service will start at 6pm and arrival will be from 5:45pm. We would like the children to wear their school uniform. Due to limited capacity, this event is exclusively for Key Stage 2 families (Pico, Fusion, and Dart), with a maximum of two tickets per family.  We strongly recommend lift sharing as the parking at the Church is very limited.

Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner	You can view the menu and book this on parent pay now.
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	The Masked Teacher	
Friday 19th December		For our last day of term, we would like all of the children to come into school in their sparkliest clothes (non-uniform).  We will also be having our class parties on this day and a special visitor will be coming to join us!