



# 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 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024

## Our Reading Barn Update

We are delighted to share that our Reading Barn project is nearing its completion. The structure is now finished, and the installation of bespoke shelving is due to take place next week. This marks a significant milestone in our journey to create an inspiring space for our children to explore the world of book!

We are immensely grateful for the unwavering support of our PTA, whose fundraising efforts have brought us very close to our £10,000 target. This generous contribution will facilitate the fitting of the library shelves, after which our children will have the exciting opportunity to select soft furnishings and help us to fill this fantastic space with books that they want to read.

We look forward to unveiling this exceptional resource at the beginning of next half term. Further details regarding the official opening to follow.

## School Photographer

The photographer will be in school on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November, to take individual, sibling and family group photographs. If you would like your pre-school child photographed with their school aged siblings, then you will need to be in the school hall from 8.15am. Photos with Pre-school siblings will take place between 8:30am-9:00am. Due to the large number of children currently in school, the photographer must start the school photographs at 9am.

## Penryn Partnership Leagues

It gives us great pleasure to announce that our Netball Team has once again secured a victory for Mawnan and they have won the league. This remarkable achievement underscores the dedication, skill, and teamwork of our young athletes. Equally commendable is the performance of our Football Team, who have demonstrated exceptional prowess throughout the league season and secured a fantastic 2<sup>nd</sup> place.

These sporting triumphs would not have been possible without the unwavering commitment of our volunteer coaches, Jill and Christian. Their weekly dedication to running the Netball and Football Clubs has been instrumental in nurturing our children's talents and ensuring their success in competitions.

## Nasal Flu

A reminder email was sent out this morning that Nasal Flu Immunisations will be taking place in school on Wednesday 06/11/2024.

If you would like sign up your child please follow the link below.

CONSENT REQUIRED by midday Monday 4th November 2024.

The 'Nasal Flu Vaccination' programme is open to all children in the school. Please follow the link below to sign your child/children up for this year.

<https://www.kernowimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/Flu>

PLEASE ENSURE YOU ENTER THE FULL UNIQUE SCHOOL REFERENCE CODE.

The code for Mawnan School is: **EE112002**

## After School Clubs

It's been a great first half term for our after school clubs. Our Football and Netball clubs trained well for their Penryn Partnership leagues and welcomed a lot more Year 5s to training.

Skate club has been a huge success, Sketch club have been busy sketching beautiful black and white pictures whilst Golf Club and Dance club have been fun, exciting and pupils have definitely improved and enjoyed. Construction and Gardening Club have also been wonderfully busy!

Thank you to all the staff and Volunteers who give their time to enable these clubs to happen and the children to enjoy the various afterschool activities.



# Sailing



Today is the final session of our Year 5 and 6 sailing CST lessons for this year. Friday evenings have been fantastic on the water and our sailors have made great progress. We look forward to seeing them back on the water in the spring.



## Secret Santa

This special event is organised by our dedicated PTA in collaboration with the WI and offers our children the opportunity to select gifts for their family members. The WI members lend their expertise to wrap and label the presents, allowing our children to bring home beautifully packaged surprises to place under their Christmas trees.



To ensure the success of this special event, we kindly request your assistance. We are seeking donations of unwanted or preloved items to be sold as gifts. To maintain the quality and joy of the experience, we ask that all contributions be in good condition and free from damage. While we have an abundance of children's books this year, we would greatly appreciate donations of toys, puzzles, and gifts suitable for parents. Your generosity will undoubtedly contribute to making this event a memorable and meaningful experience for all involved. We have started collecting and appreciate all donations made so far. Please bring your donations to the box in the entrance.

## Dates to Remember

<u>Dates 2024</u>	<u>Events</u>
28 <sup>th</sup> Oct – 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Half Term
5 <sup>th</sup> November	Return to School
6 <sup>th</sup> November	Nasal Flu Immunisations
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual School Photographs
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Odd Socks Day-Anti Bullying
15 <sup>th</sup> November	Children In Need
18 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> November	Parent Teacher Meetings
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Movie Night
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
12 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Candlelit Carol Concert
17 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity (time tbc)
18 <sup>th</sup> December	KS1 Nativity (time tbc)
18 <sup>th</sup> December	School Christmas Dinner
20 <sup>th</sup> December	Last day of term
6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Return to School

## After School Clubs Autumn 2 2024

<u>Day</u>	<u>Club</u>	<u>Year Group</u>	<u>Max Spaces</u>
Monday	Netball (with Gill, Alex and Julie)	Year 5 and 6	
Monday	Golf (with Mick)	Year 5 and 6	8
Monday	Embrace Dance	Year 1 and 2	15
Tuesday	Football (with Christian)	Year 5 and 6	
Tuesday	Embrace Dance	Year 3, 4 and 5	15
Tuesday	Sketching and Painting (With Jazz)	Year 6	14
Wednesday	Gardening Clun (with Zinnia)	The same Year 3 Gardening group	
Wednesday	Rugby (with Cornish Pirates) TBC	Year 4, 5 and 6	TBC
Wednesday	Construction Club	Year 1 and 2	20
Wednesday	Skateboarding (with coach Frank)	Year 5 (who have not taken part this half term) and Year 4s	12
Thursday	Reading for Pleasure (with Miss Pridmore and Mrs Timmins)	Year 3 and 4	20
Thursday	Hockey (with Tom)	Year 5 and 6	16

Google forms will be sent out for the new clubs next week.

Forms will not be sent out for the rolling clubs: Netball, Football and Sketching clubs.

Clubs will start the first week back.

We are hoping Skate Club will continue next term so all Year 4,5 and 6 pupils have the opportunity to take part if they choose to.

# What Parents & Educators Need to Know about HORROR FILMS & AGE RATINGS

Ofcom's latest Media Use and Attitudes Report states that most children can watch streamed films on a mobile device both in and out of the home, with 80% of UK children watching films on phones, tablets or laptops. That's a lot of youngsters who might be using their own gadgets to watch something suitably spooky this Halloween season – or perhaps, something a little too frightening.

With older children in particular, it can be difficult knowing how to manage their increasing interest in more mature content – including horror films, in many cases – let alone knowing how best to safeguard them from inappropriate material. Our free guide offers expert advice not only on the risks of exposure to horror films and other potentially upsetting content, but also on preventing young viewers from seeing this material or protecting them from being too deeply affected by it if they do.

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://nationalcollege.com).

## What Parents & Educators Need to Know about HORROR FILMS & AGE RATINGS

The 'on-demand' availability of streaming platforms in many homes creates extra possibilities for young viewers to be exposed to age-inappropriate content. Material which features horror or violence can cause anxiety and nightmares for children, especially since it can be hard for young ones to grasp that what they're watching isn't real.

### CLASSIFICATION BREAKDOWN

The British Board of Film Classification has the following age ratings:

- U Suitable for all ages
- PG For children aged 8 and above, this content shouldn't unsettle them
- PG-13 Children under the age of 13 should not watch without an adult. This content potentially features bad language, nudity or sexual references
- R15 Includes only for 15-year-olds and above
- R18 Exclusively for an adult audience, with potentially explicit themes of violence, nudity or sex

### WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

#### STREAMING IS EVERYWHERE

Modern mobile devices make it very easy for children to watch streamed films without the need for a TV. The availability of inappropriate content has risen significantly on streaming platforms, almost all of which have filtered content. If not restricted by parental controls, this could be viewed by children who aren't quite ready for such content, images, concepts and imagery.

#### FACT VS. FICTION

Many children have no trouble separating fact from fiction. However, with modern day technology making gore and violence and horror look ever more realistic, it's becoming harder for younger kids to tell the difference. For instance, consider remakes of older films, where dated special effects or making it easy to discover that something wasn't real) have been replaced by far more convincing monsters and gore.

#### PEER PRESSURE

Friends encouraging each other to watch the latest film featuring violence or horror can lead to children consuming content that they're not ready for. As 18+ content is available on many streaming platforms, youngsters can watch these together – potentially without their parents' or carers' knowledge.

#### CHILDREN SCARE DIFFERENTLY

It can be difficult to decide what content is appropriate for children. What's fine for one child could be a nightmare for another. As many children admit to not sharing or discussing the content they watch with their parents, encouraging an open dialogue around the kind of media that young people consume can help avoid exposing them to any inappropriate content.

#### PSYCHOLOGICAL IMPACTS

Horror preys itself on its ability to startle or induce genuine fear in the viewer – so it's no surprise that this genre isn't usually considered for children. A natural side-effect of this is that 'jump scares' or a creepy, suspenseful atmosphere can have lasting effects on younger minds. The resulting anxiety can impact a child's sleeping patterns or eating habits.

## Advice for Parents & Educators

### WATCH THE FILM FIRST

If you're concerned that a film might be unsuitable for children (whether it's their first dip into the horror genre or a step up in age classification), then it's best to watch it first. There's no better way to judge whether the content is something you'd deem appropriate for a child – and if a parent, for example, has actually seen the film (at least a portion of it), they can construct a far more credible case if they decide it's inappropriate.

### REMEMBER – IT'S NOT REAL

Emphasise to children that the content they're viewing is entirely fictional and has no chance of affecting them in real life. If a child is upset after watching a film, try to understand what exactly has unsettled them. This can help you approach the topic in a healthy and informative manner, to dispel any fears or anxieties they may have.

### DISCUSS THE CONTENT OF FILMS

If a child has seen a film that you think may have exposed them to potentially uncomfortable themes and ideas, don't shy away from talking about it, and answer any questions they may have. This is especially important if they watched the film without an adult present. Ask them to summarise the story for you, as this will give you an understanding of what they've learned from watching it.

### USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Most streaming platforms have the option to put age ranges on children's accounts. This means that films and shows that are inappropriate for children won't be recommended when they're browsing and won't be suggested if a child specifically searches for them. This can be changed any time at parents' discretion, but it's wise to protect these settings with a password, so a child can't alter anything on their own.

### Meet Our Expert

John Inley is an assistant principal at a secondary school. He has been involved with e-safety in schools for over 10 years, writing policies and supporting various schools in developing their e-safety provision. John has introduced a range of strategies at multiple schools aimed at helping parents to better support their child in the ever-changing digital world.

**WakeUp Wednesday**  
The National College

Source: See full reference list on guide page at: <https://nationalcollege.com/parents-and-educators/horror-films-and-age-ratings>

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# Term Dates

## Cornwall Council

### 2024/2025 School Term Dates for Community and Voluntary-Controlled Schools



September 2024						
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	

October 2024						
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		

November 2024							
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	

December 2024						
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	
Sat		7	14	21	28	
Sun	1	8	15	22	29	

January 2025						
Mon			6	13	20	27
Tue			7	14	21	28
Wed	1	8	15	22	29	
Thurs	2	9	16	23	30	
Fri	3	10	17	24	31	
Sat	4	11	18	25		
Sun	5	12	19	26		

February 2025						
Mon		3	10	17	24	
Tue		4	11	18	25	
Wed		5	12	19	26	
Thurs		6	13	20	27	
Fri		7	14	21	28	
Sat	1	8	15	22		
Sun	2	9	16	23		

March 2025							
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	
Sat	1	8	15	22	29		
Sun	2	9	16	23	30		

April 2025						
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		

May 2025						
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		

June 2025						
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	

July 2025						
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		

August 2025						
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		

#### School holidays

#### Bank holidays

Christmas Day	25 December 2024
Boxing Day	26 December 2024
New Years Day	01 January 2025
Good Friday	18 April 2025
Easter Monday	21 April 2025
May Bank Holiday	05 May 2025
Spring Bank Holiday	26 May 2025
Summer Bank Holiday	25 August 2025

#### AUTUMN TERM (74 days)

3 September - 20 December 2024  
(HALF TERM 28 October - 1 November 2024)

#### SPRING TERM (60 days)

6 January - 4 April 2025  
(HALF TERM 17-21 February 2025)

#### SUMMER TERM (61 days)

22 April - 23 July 2025  
(HALF TERM 26-30 May 2025)

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.

Our INSET Days for 2024-2025 will be as follows:

- Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2024
- Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025
- Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025
- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025

All information can be found on our website:

<https://mawnancofeprimary.eschools.co.uk/>



Still a few places left for **CHRISTMAS KIDS PANTO IN A DAY**, so now opening this up to ALL KS2 children and not just those who have reached 8 years old prior to December.

A fantastic, fun-filled day and a great show to end!

**MAWNAN PANTO GROUP PRESENTS**  
**KIDS PANTO IN A DAY**

**'T'WAS THE NIGHT  
BEFORE CHRISTMAS**

BY  
**CLEMENT CLARKE MOORE**

**Adapted By Evie Payne**  
**Produced by Hannah Martin**

Rehearsals start at 10am - Performance at 4pm  
£10 cash per participating child (8 years and over only)  
Must prebook via Hannah Martin - only 40 places available  
Please bring packed lunch, water bottle and  
a named bag with a Christmas outfit in it.  
[hlmartin1984@gmail.com](mailto:hlmartin1984@gmail.com)/07785 794299

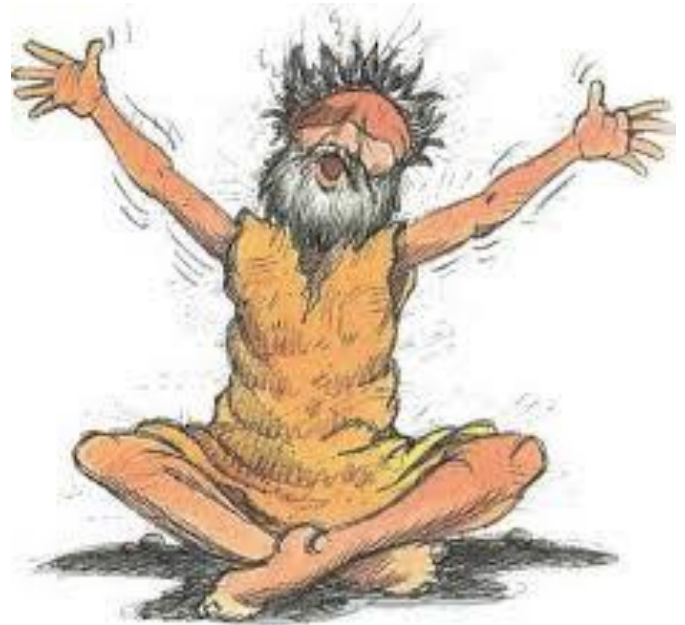
**Performance admission £3.00**

**Mawnan Memorial Hall - Sunday 15th December 4PM**

## Weekly Extras

**4@4 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 4pm at St Michael's**

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October:  
Jesus heals a blind man



We start  
with  
cake! After some singing and listening to  
a Bible story, you can choose between  
discussing what you have heard, a craft  
activity, or having some quiet reflection  
time.

**Something for everyone – everyone is welcome**

St Michael's Church, Carwinion Road, Mawnan Smith TR11 5JF

[stmawnan.org](http://stmawnan.org) – [stmawnan@gmail.com](mailto:stmawnan@gmail.com)

# Budock Vean Golf Club

## Junior Open Day

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October

Join us at Budock Vean Hotel

2:00 pm to 5:00pm

Open to all, ages 7 – 17yrs



***Fun***



***Games***

***Competitions***

Come and see what we do at Budock Vean Golf Club

Meet our Community Golf Instructors



## OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS

Come and take part in our EdVenture half term provision, offering children a fantastic opportunity to build friendships through team sports and outdoor adventures, and explore their creativity with themed group games and arts & crafts.

**TUE 29TH OCT - THUR 31st OCT**  
**3 DAY SUPER CAMPS**  
**5-7 YEARS | 8+ YEARS**

**FEATURING A RANGE OF HALLOWEEN THEMED ACTIVITIES INCLUDING:**

**DODGEBALL, FREE PLAY, GYM,  
ARTS & CRAFTS, DANCE OFF,  
FOOTBALL, GYMNASTICS,  
MULTI SPORTS, BOARD GAMES,  
CINEMA, TEAM CHALLENGES  
JEWELLERY MAKING  
& LOTS MORE!**

**JUST £80 FOR 3 DAYS  
OR £30 A DAY**



**MON 28TH OCTOBER:**  
**FULL/HALF DAY**  
**FOOTBALL CAMPS**



**FOR MORE DETAILS ON THE COURSES & HOW TO BOOK:**

**[WWW.MYEDVENTURE.CO.UK](http://WWW.MYEDVENTURE.CO.UK)**

**01326 372379**

# Admissions for Secondary September 2025



Together   
for Families

The  
deadline for  
applications is  
**15 January  
2025**

Do you have a  
child born **between  
1 September 2020  
and 31 August 2021?**

If so, you will need to apply  
for a place in a reception  
class in September 2025 for  
your child by the deadline  
of **15 January 2025**.



**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](http://www.cornwall.gov.uk/admissions) for more information and to access the online application system.



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## Starting infant/primary school

For children born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021.

Application deadline: **15 January 2025**.



## **FALMOUTH HOCKEY CLUB JUNIOR HOCKEY**

**START A NEW SPORT  
IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS  
HAVE FUN  
MAKE NEW FRIENDS**

**TUESDAYS 6PM-7:30PM -  
U12, U14 & U 16 BOYS  
THURSDAYS 5:30PM-6:30PM -  
U8 & U10 BOYS AND GIRLS  
THURSDAYS 5:30PM-7PM -  
U12, U14 & U16 GIRLS  
@ PENRYN COLLEGE ASTRO**

**4 AGE GROUP TOURNAMENTS PER  
SEASON  
EXCELLENT COACHING  
PROGRESSION INTO SENIOR MEN'S AND  
WOMEN'S TEAMS**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR TO BOOK A PLACE EMAIL  
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