



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 27th June 2025

Year 6 Camp: Porthpean

Another week, another unforgettable Mawnan camp! This time it was our amazing Year 6s who headed off Porthpean. The children embraced every activity with enthusiasm from climbing and caving to kayaking and coasteering to giant paddleboarding and slip-and-slide fun.

They showed resilience, teamwork, and endless energy throughout the week. Most importantly, they loved the chance to spend time together, laugh, challenge themselves, and create memories that will last long after they leave primary school.

A huge well done to Year 6 — you made us proud every step of the way!





Sports Day

We are all very much looking forward to our Sports Day next Friday 4th July and welcome you to come and watch your children. The gates will be open for entry at 1pm.

Please ensure your children wear their school PE kit, trainers and have a drinks bottle, a hat and suncream.

SPORTS DAY FERRY BOAT BBQ FRIDAY JULY 4th at 1pm!

Burgers - £3

Sausages - £2.50

Veggie Sausages - £2.50

Ice creams - £1

Find us by the school garden gazebo. Cash and Card accepted.

Very grateful to Ferry Boat for food!

PTA fundraiser. All proceeds go to school.



Sports Day Parking

We appreciate that most parents come to sports day and therefore parking can become an issue however, we must remain respectful to the residents of Shute Hill and Grove Hill. We will open our school carpark and to further ease the parking congestion, we would like to ask parents and families to walk or lift share where possible.

Please do not park in front of driveways or on grass embankments outside of school.

We really appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Hatchbox Class Photos

On Tuesday 1st July Hatchbox Photography will be in school at 9:30am for the annual school class photos. Please ensure your child is wearing their correct school uniform.

School Reports

End of year school reports will be going out next week. On the report there will be a QR code which will enable you to book a meeting with child's class teacher should you wish to discuss any queries you might have in relation to the report.

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check (MTC)

A huge well done to all our fantastic Year 4 children who completed the MTC a few weeks ago. The children were calm, resilient and determined - they all absolutely smashed it! We will be formally sharing the children's results in the end of year school reports. Thank you to all the Year 4 parents and carers for supporting your child with their times tables.

Many thanks,

Fusion & Pico Team

Dates to Remember

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
1 st July	Hatchbox Photography – class photos
1 st July	Family/Parenting Worker Drop In – 2:45-4:00pm
4 th July	Sports Day
11 th July	Sports Day reserve date
15 th July	Year 6 BBQ 4-6pm
18 th July	Year 6 Leaver's Service 2pm
18 th July	Last day of term
21 st July	Summer Holidays

SUMMER BIG BASH – Saturday 12th July, from 4pm onwards!

HELP NEEDED.. The Big Bash – Saturday 12th July from 4pm.

Plans are in full swing for this year's **Summer Big Bash** – our end-of-year fundraiser and celebration, taking place in the beautiful Carwinion House Gardens. Expect an amazing afternoon and evening of fun, with **live music** (including performances from the children, local band - My friend John and the utterly amazing, FLIGHT42), a **delicious BBQ by the Ferryboat Crew**, **huge inflatable obstacle course and bouncy castle**, games, stalls, a bar, and much more to entertain the whole family!

But... we really need your help to make this event a success!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We're currently low on helpers, and we can't run this event without your help!

If you can help on the day and offer **an hour or two on a stall** (e.g. serving cakes, pouring cocktails, running a game) please get in touch– even a short shift would make a huge difference!

SOFT TOY DONATIONS WANTED

We're running a game that needs good condition, clean **cuddly toys**. If you have any to spare, please drop them in the box in the school foyer.

BAKERS NEEDED!

Can you bake a **traybake or some cupcakes** for our cake stall?

Please Chat to Shiona if you can contribute something sweet.

AUCTION PRIZES – CALL FOR CONTACTS

Do you have any **amazing contacts or businesses** who might donate a prize or experience for our fundraising **auction**? Alex and Anam would love to hear from you!

This is going to be a **fantastic event** and a brilliant way to end the school year – but we need our school community to come together to make it happen. **Every bit of help counts** and **all funds raised** go directly to supporting the school – including repairs to the adventure playground and boosting some much needed Science and DT resources.

Please spread the word, buy tickets, bring friends and family, and help however you can!

Thank you so much!

Please get in touch with Anam or Alex - mawnan.pta@gmail.com

SUMMER BASH

CARWINION HOUSE GARDENS

SATURDAY 12TH JULY
FROM 4PM

AMAZING GIANT INFLATABLES
GAMES & PRIZES
FERRY BOAT BBQ
PIZZA, BAR & COCKTAIL BAR
.....& MUCH MORE FOR ALL THE FAMILY

LIVE MUSIC...

FLIGHT 42

MY FRIEND JOHN

**& PERFORMANCES FROM THE AWESOME CHILDREN
OF MAWNAN SCHOOL.**

Fundraising for Mawnan Sschool





ADULTS £10
ALL KIDS FREE!








scan qr code for tickets

<https://mawnan-school-pta-shop.sumupstore.com/product/summer-bash-adult-ticket>



New name, new features... same concerns?   The Nintendo Switch 2 is the Japanese gaming giant's latest console, and while it boasts impressive updates, it also brings a few new features for parents and educators to be aware of.

From the arrival of real-time GameChat  and a plug-in camera  to an easier path to mature content  and in-app spending , there's a lot to consider. Our #WakeUpWednesday guide sets out what adults need to know, and how they can keep gaming fun and safe for the children in their care .

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about NINTENDO SWITCH 2

Nintendo launched its Switch 2 games console in early June 2025 – its first new console in eight years. While it builds on the original's success by remaining compatible with certain existing games, it also adds powerful hardware and new features like GameChat and a USB-C camera. As more children look to upgrade, it's important to understand how this new console might affect their play and safety.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

EASIER TO ACCESS MATURE CONTENT 

Despite Nintendo's reputation for family-friendly titles, mature games like Cyberpunk 2077 and Hitman have been released on the platform. With the Switch 2's improved performance, developers will be able to port even more mature-rated games. These may appeal to children due to their popularity, but they contain content that is highly unsuitable for young audiences.

IN-APP & GAME STORE PURCHASES

The Nintendo eShop enables purchases with just a few taps. If payment details are saved and the protection is lowered, children may unknowingly make costly purchases – including game add-ons, cosmetic items or entire new releases – without parental approval.

UNRESTRICTED ONLINE PLAY IN SOME GAMES

While GameChat is one feature, Switch 2 also connects to the broader Nintendo Switch Online service. Many free-to-play titles like Fortnite or Splatoon 4 allow voice or text chat with strangers unless child settings are adjusted, meaning children could encounter inappropriate language or unwanted contact.

GAMECHAT & REAL-TIME VOICE COMMUNICATION

GameChat enables live chatting with up to 12 people, even across different games, with real-time video and screen-sharing. Though children under 18 are restricted to chatting only with approved friends, the peer-to-peer nature could raise privacy concerns or create pressure to remain anonymous.

CAMERA COMPATIBILITY & PRIVACY CONCERNS

The optional USB-C camera supports video calling and facial overlays in games. However, this also raises the risk of cyberbullying or the unwanted sharing of personal images. The camera can be disabled, removed or covered, and parental controls are essential to manage how and when it is used.

POWERFUL PULL OF FAMILIAR CHARACTERS

Nintendo's mascot, Mario – along with Pikachu, Donkey Kong and others – remains hugely appealing to younger audiences, especially when the mechanics of the video game, 'The Super Mario Bros. Movie' (2023). These beloved icons are used in Nintendo's branding and other features in merchandising, adverts and in-game promotions, creating strong emotional attachments in children and a sense of urgency to keep up with their peers.

Advice for Parents & Educators

CHECK RATINGS & USE PARENTAL CONTROLS

Every Switch and Switch 2 game comes with a PEGI age rating. Before buying one, ensure the content matches your child's age. Use the Nintendo Parental Controls app to monitor gameplay, set screen-time limits and manage friend requests.

REVIEW FRIEND LISTS AND CHAT PERMISSIONS

Child profiles are restricted to chatting with approved friends only, but it's good practice to regularly check their friend list and communication settings. Use the Parental Controls app to restrict all voice or video chat if necessary.

REMOVE OR RESTRICT PAYMENT METHODS

Avoid accidental spending by unlinking credit cards from the device. Instead, consider online funds via prepaid eShop cards or requiring a PIN for purchases. Some banking apps can also be set to approve transactions manually.

ENCOURAGE OPEN CONVERSATIONS

Teach children how to block, report and capture any behaviour or content that makes them uncomfortable. The console's built-in tools allow them to create screenshots and video clips, which can aid in reporting any issues. Keeping an open dialogue helps children feel supported and safe.

Meet Our Expert

Lloyd Coombes is the Games Editor of Daily Star and has been working in the gaming and tech industry for five years. A regular visitor to the App Store to try out new tools, he's also a parent and understands the importance of online safety. He's also a tech and fitness writer and has been published on sites including iDT, Tech Radar, and Penny Press.

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Family/Parenting Worker Drop In

Mawnan School

Tuesday 1st July 2:45pm-4pm

These sessions will be run by Nina Rogers from the Early Help Team.

Do you need some support and advice to understand your child's needs and behaviours?

Advice on positive parenting and how to keep your child safe?

Support with budgeting and debt advice?

To understand the importance of routines for your family?

We are running drop-in sessions with no appointment necessary

Please sign in at the school Reception and you will be shown through to the meeting room.

For more information please contact:

Email: carrickfamilyhubs@cornwall.gov.uk


Call: 01872 322661




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Cheer open day



SATURDAY JUNE 21ST
12:30-2:00PM AGE 7-12
2:30- 4PM AGE 9-16



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TEAMS. TUMBLE, DANCE AND
STUNTS.

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