



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 17th April 2020

Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parent/Carers and Children,

Welcome to Term 5! I hope you all managed to have some good times during the recent Easter holiday. The weather was kind to us so I am sure that those of you with some outside space were able to enjoy the sunshine.

As term started this week I hope that you have had the opportunity to look at the home learning activities which the teachers have prepared for you. I know how much the staff enjoy hearing about your ventures so do please make contact using the class email addresses – shown below for your information. Work for next week has also been posted on the website, please note; there is no expectation that you print the work set. Work can be read on the screen and answers written/drawn in the exercise book provided. I have asked teachers to make this clear in their planning. You can print, of course, if you have the resources to do so, but please don't feel you have to. Apologies if this was not clear.

Mrs Hoile/Mrs Collins:	c.classR@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Lewis:	c.class1@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Geere:	c.class2@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk
Mrs Wallis:	c.class3@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk
Mr Ball/Mrs Norley:	c.class4@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk
Mr Oliver:	c.class5@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk
Miss Brett:	c.class6@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk

BBC Bitesize endorsed by the Department for Education

From 20th April, you can access regular daily lessons in English and maths, as well as other core subjects, in an expanded version of the BBC Bitesize website and also on special programmes broadcast on BBC iPlayer and BBC Red Button. Follow the link for further information:-

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/zn9447h>

Teaching staff will review these learning opportunities during the coming week and may, in subsequent weeks, signpost these in place of some of the activities they are currently setting.

Reception Class 2020

Offers for places applied for in our new Reception Class were received by families on Thursday 16th April. We look forward to welcoming our new children and families to school. You will understand that I am not in a position today to confirm how induction arrangements will work but please be assured that we will do all we are able to in order to work with families, nurseries and children to make this successful.

Helen Comfort

Well Being

Everyone needs to be aware of their well-being and this is especially important at the moment. The Anna Freud Centre gives clear, simple advice to supporting children and young people. They have drawn up a list of strategies to help manage wellbeing which you can find at:

www.annafreud.org/on-my-mind/self-care/

Why not have a dip into some of their suggestions. For both adults and children you can find something that will help. As the Centre says. 'If it works, keep doing it. If it doesn't, stop and try something else.'

Useful Weblinks

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2020/03/nature-detectives/> - nature activities to try at home

<https://www.dkfindout.com/uk/> - videos, quizzes and fun facts on a range of subjects

<https://theimaginationtree.com/> - activities for our younger children and those young at heart!

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 20th April 2020

**This week: Send your teacher an email, let them know how you are getting on.
Monday, 20th April – BBC Bitesize daily lessons start**

