



Weekly Newsletter – Friday 26th June 2020

Message from the Headteacher

Staffing Arrangements for Next Academic Year

We have some staff changes which will come into effect from September 2020 which I would like to share with you.

Class teachers Mr Robert Ball and Mrs Wendy Norley will both be retiring at the end of this term as will Higher Level Teaching Assistant Mrs Viv Howlett. I thank them for all that they have contributed to St Margaret's and wish them well in their new ventures.

In light of the fact that this academic year has been disrupted by the COVID-19 situation, I have planned, where we are able to do so, for children to have the same class teacher next year as they have had for this year. I feel this approach will contribute to supporting the youngest children back into the routine of a typical school year and also enable any gaps in learning to be quickly addressed.

To that end class teacher allocations for next year are as follows:-

Reception Class	Mrs Becky Collins 3 days, Mrs Louisa Wallis 2 days
Class 1	Mrs Clare Hoile 3 days, Mrs Louisa Wallis 2 days
Class 2	Mrs Kirsty Lewis 4 days, Mrs Louisa Wallis 1 day
Class 3	Mrs Gemma Geere
Class 4	Newly appointed teacher – details to follow
Class 5	Mr Julian Oliver
Class 6	Miss Lucy Brett

Helen Comfort

Message from the Class 1 Teacher

We have enjoyed finding out about how to keep safe in and around water and we are proud to share that we have earned our Water Safety certificates.

This week we have enjoyed adding 'Books and Bubble Time' to our daily routine and carrying out the Summer Reading Bingo Challenge. Each afternoon we share a book and have a natter together under the shade of the trees in school. Maybe you would like to add this time to your routines at home? We are spending lots of time playing fun phonics games and reading to our class or a friend. Maybe you could read to someone on the phone or a friend or relative if you are meeting up? Hope you are all well and enjoying your learning.

Kirsty Lewis

Reporting to Parents

You will recall that in March we sent home mid-year reports and held parent/carer consultation meetings. Due to the situation we have been in since then we will not be producing further reports this academic year. If you would like to have a telephone consultation with the class teacher regarding your child please telephone or email the school office by Wednesday 1st July to book this in.

Useful Weblinks

<https://www.nhm.ac.uk/take-part.html>

National History Museum

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 29th June 2020

Next week we will be finding out about 'pirates'. We will share the story 'Pirates love underpants' and be designing our own treasure maps. In our pirate inspired maths work, we will explore directions and position, make 2D shape pirate pictures and carry out addition and subtraction problems. We will continue to follow the 'letters and sounds' phonics lessons and to practise our cursive handwriting. Some Letters and Sounds lessons are quite long. Please give your child a break and perhaps watch in two or three parts during the day. In topic we will be learning sea shanties and labelling the parts of a pirate ship. We will enjoy pirate yoga, perform a dance and play 'Pirate's coming' on Fitness Friday. We will carry out an experiment to see how to make a waterproof water balloon.

