



## Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> June 2022

### Message from the Headteacher

#### Staff News

As this school year starts to draw to a close I would like to inform you of some staffing changes which will be in place in September.

We have a few members of staff who will be leaving us at the end of this term. Mrs Gemma Geere will be moving on after 6 years as she is relocating to Poole due to her husband's job. Mrs Becky Collins will be leaving us after 9 years at St Margaret's to take up a teaching position at a local school and Mrs Louisa Wallis has secured a promotion at our link school where I am also Executive Headteacher, St Mary's CEP Dover, so will be moving on from St Margaret's after 14 years. I know you will join me in thanking these teachers for the positive impact they have had on so many children and families during their time on the team at St Margaret's; I thank them wholeheartedly and wish them all the very best in their new ventures.

I am pleased to be able to inform you of the staff who will be filling the shoes of our current colleagues! Miss Emma Owen will be joining us as Reception class teacher, she comes to us having taught Reception at a school in Yorkshire and is looking forward to returning to Kent. Mrs Kate Byatt, who is currently working in Year 4 on a maternity cover contract, is going to become a permanent member of staff; we are very pleased about this. Miss Eleanor Fordham will be joining us as a new full time class teacher and Ms Helen Moloney, an experienced teacher, will be teaching for three days a week.

We are currently advertising to re-fill the maternity cover post. Once all staff are in place I will advise you as to who will be teaching which class next year.

#### Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Huge thanks to those families who were able to join with the local jubilee celebrations either at the lighthouse or in the village. At least 60 children performed the songs through the decades, which we had been learning, at the village event on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June and families also represented us at the lighting of the lighthouse for the Beacon event on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

You may have heard of the Platinum Jubilee commemorative book which children in all primary schools are being gifted as a memento of the Jubilee. We have not yet received all of our copies of the books; when we have we will be very pleased to send them home.

#### Class 6 Residential Trip

Class 6 set off on their residential trip today and will be returning to school at the end of the day on Monday; an exciting opportunity for all involved! Our school facebook page has ceased to be accessible to us to post on however our twitter account [@stmargaretscp](https://twitter.com/stmargaretscp) continues to work well so look on there for updates of the trip today and over the weekend.

Wishing you all a good weekend, whether at home or away!

Helen Comfort





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### Coronavirus Symptoms

On Tuesday 29 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the next steps for living with COVID-19 in England from Friday 1 April.

#### Updated guidance

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend. Children and young people with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days, which is when they are most infectious.

Adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature. Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious.

### Message from Class 3

In Class 3 this week we have been exploring nature through Art. We have visited our Forest School area to collect interesting leaves. We spent time observing and sketching the different patterns of the veins. We then used the leaves to make an impression on different surfaces, using crayons and paint. The children have enjoyed mixing colours when printing!



### Sports Day for Classes 1 to 6

Date : **Tuesday, 14th June 2022**

Time : **1:15pm**

Where: **Sports Field**

All children will change into their PE kits and coloured House T-shirts for the afternoon. Please remember, at this time of year, sun hats, water bottles and sun screen are essential. We look forward to seeing all of the children in their coloured House team T-shirts and to welcoming you as supporters. Gates to the top field will open at 1pm, no need to report at the office.

### Star Awards

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**Class 1 – Henry**

**Class 2 – Charlie & Teddy**

**Class 3 – Darcy**

**Class 4 – Darshhi & Matthew**

**Class 5 – Elliot, Henry & Samuel**

### The Week Ahead!

#### Week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022

**Monday, 13th June – Class 4 Forest School sessions all week**

**Class 6 return from residential trip**

**Tuesday, 14th June – NO YEAR 6 SWIMMING THIS WEEK**

**-1:15pm Sports Day for classes 1 – 6 on the school field**

**-3:30pm to 4:30pm Taster session in Class R for new pupils starting September 2022 -booked appointments**

**Wednesday, 15th June - Reserve Sports Day** if adverse weather causes cancellation on Tuesday.

**Thursday, 16th June – 3:30pm to 4:30pm Taster session in Class R for new pupils starting September 2022 -booked appointments**

**Friday, 17th June – Class 1 Family Assembly** in the school hall at 9am.

### Lunch Menu: Week 2

