



## Class 6 Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021

### Message from the Headteacher

#### School Closure

I'm sure that many of you will have been following the news this week and have picked up on the statement regarding school closures, but for those of you who may not know, I wanted to make sure everyone was as up to date as possible.

The key announcements from this week in parliament are as follows:

- The **earliest** schools might 'begin to re-open' will be Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, which is the start of the third school week after the half-term holiday;
- There will be a plan/review from the government set out for schools and parents on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February (the first day after the half-term holiday), with further updates;
- When the decision to return has been made, schools will get two weeks' notice of this.

This means that we have at least four more school weeks of home-learning under the current arrangements. I thank you all for your continued support with your child's home-learning.

#### Contact with Parents

Thank you for your engagement with the weekly telephone calls from the class staff. Calls for this week have now been completed. Moving forward, staff will not be making calls to all families every week as they have been. Staff are still available to speak with you and/or your child on the telephone but this will be at your request – please either email the teacher or contact the school office to make this arrangement.

#### Signs of Spring

This morning I noticed that the crocuses on the path beside the school drive are just beginning to appear from beneath the grass. Never have these early signs of the change of season been more welcome. With the vaccination programme rolling out I am so very hopeful, as I am sure you all are, that the better times we are looking forward to are beginning to come into focus.

Have a good and safe weekend everyone.

Helen Comfort

### Coronavirus Symptoms

Children or staff with any of the three symptoms of Covid:

- a new continuous cough;
- a fever;
- a change in taste or smell

are to stay at home and isolate, as must the rest of their household. They should get a Covid test.

Children and staff must also stay at home and isolate if a member of their household has any of these symptoms until the outcome of a Covid test is known and follow advice accordingly.

To get a test go online to:

[nhs.uk/coronavirus](https://www.nhs.uk/coronavirus) OR

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/> OR  
Telephone 111

**Please keep the school well informed throughout the process**

If your child has attended school for childcare and tests positive for Covid you must immediately inform the school – by telephone on 01304 852639 during the school day. If you get a positive result at the weekend, during the evening or in a school holiday please email [secretary@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk](mailto:secretary@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk)

### Message from the Class Teacher

Hello Class 6!

You are all doing so well with your learning at home – I cannot express how proud I am of you all! We know we have two weeks left of this term before half term and I know some of us are beginning to feel the effects of the lockdown. Some of you are finding it hard to stay motivated at home for every task, every day. Please remember to take breaks and enjoy family time. Find something you can do at home that you enjoy, as well as finding the time for your learning. Keep going and keep smiling ☺

Lots of you have shown that you have a good understanding of converting a decimal to a fraction and to a percentage. There are BBC bitesize guides and of course, the White Rose videos you can watch again if you are still a little unsure. I'm pleased to hear that lots of you have been enjoying Macbeth so far; there's lots more to come. Have a restful weekend.

Miss Brett

### The Week Ahead!

#### Week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021

In English, we will be continuing to study Macbeth; you will be becoming Lady Macbeth as well as a news reporter next week. In maths, we will be securing our FDP knowledge.

We will be using SATS Companion – please get in touch if you have not received your login details.

### Lunch Menu – Week 2

