



Class 5 Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 26th February 2021

Message from the Headteacher

Good News!

I expect that you will know that the Prime Minister announced this week measures to begin easing the lockdown, starting with a full return of all children to school on Monday 8th March. I am very pleased that schools will be fully re-opening at that time and am very much looking forward to welcoming all pupils and families back.

Our Covid-safe Risk Assessment has been reviewed in line with the latest published Government guidance and our control measures will remain virtually the same. The routines that you and your children are used to will feel familiar and have proved to be successful. I will write to you again next week to remind you of the timings for drop-off and collection, what your child can bring to school, arrangements for contact with staff etc.

In the meantime you may feel a search at home is needed for school uniform, school shoes and PE kit as well as water bottles and packed lunch boxes!

World Book Day 4th March

We are pleased to be celebrating World Book day on Thursday 4th March and during the week. Please look out for letter from Mrs Wallis with details of reading activities for you and your family to enjoy at home.

Have a good weekend everyone; enjoy the sunshine!

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

Keeping School Informed

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

Even if your child is not attending school please continue to let us know if your child has symptoms of Covid and is awaiting a test result. Please advise of the result of the test either negative or positive, as we are required to report information daily to the DfE on the number of suspected and confirmed cases (just the number, no names).

Message from the Class Teacher

Dear Class 5,

Thank you so much for sharing your Home Learning with me this week. I am most impressed with the standard of your work. Please continue to work hard and try to do everything I am planning for you each day.

Remember to take breaks to relax your mind, perhaps by listening to some calming music.

It has been wonderful to see how artistic you are all becoming, those misty mountain sketches are amazing. Your experiments in science were great, I loved the fact that you were all experimenting with different lever and fulcrum mechanisms around your homes. We began our Ancient Greek topic by discovering when in history their great civilisation began. I'm sure you will all agree that our second Screen Free Friday was brilliant! So many creative ideas.

You are all doing a great job at home and don't forget I am here for you via the email if you have any questions.

Stay safe and have a relaxing weekend.

Miss you all.

Mr Oliver

The Week Ahead!

Lunch Menu – Week 2

Week commencing 1st March 2021

We have an exciting World Book Week planned for you all. Prepare to be whisked away to Cornwall – 'the land of rocks and moorland'. We are reading the beautifully illustrated 'Mousehole Cat' by Antonia Barber. I have planned for us to have fun experimenting with different pulley mechanisms in science. You will be improving your sketching skills when creating still life pictures in art. We are also looking at further exploring the Ancient Greeks by locating the extent of their great civilisation in the Mediterranean. Enjoy listening to and comparing music from different eras; Baroque and Romantic. We will be ending the week with a **World Book Day** themed **Screen Free Friday**, where you can choose different fun-filled activities.