



Weekly Newsletter – Wednesday, 31st March 2021

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

PTFA Thank You

Thank you to our PTFA for helping the Easter bunny today and providing the eggs for the class hunts.



**WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY
HAPPY EASTER**



**Children return to school on
Monday, 19th April 2021**

Message from the Headteacher

Contact Tracing Over the Easter Holidays

The DfE has asked schools to continue with contact tracing over Easter, similar to the arrangements over Christmas. School leaders are required to assist with NHS tracking and tracing for 6 days after the end of term – until and including Tuesday 6th April. Please note the following:

1. Staff and parents/carers of pupils need to inform the school of a positive case where they developed symptoms within 48 hours of being at school.
2. Staff and parents/carers of pupils who were asymptomatic but tested positive within 48 hours of last being in school also need to let the school know.
3. The school should assist in identifying close contacts and advising self-isolation, as the individual may have been infectious whilst in their education setting.
4. Where pupils or staff test positive for coronavirus (COVID-19) during the holidays, having developed symptoms more than 48 hours since being at school, schools are not required to take any action. Staff and parents/carers should follow contact tracing instructions provided by NHS Test and Trace.

To notify me during the holiday please email secretary@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk. This is the only account which is guaranteed to be monitored during the relevant time. If I am notified of a positive result, as per the above criteria, the relevant school children and staff member contacts will be informed by email and text sent from the parentmail system. Do please, of course, keep us updated in the new term with any covid-related information which you are not required to advise us of during the holiday. Thank you.

Thank you

As the Spring term draws to a close I would like to take this opportunity to pay tribute to the staff and to thank them all for their tireless efforts over the last 12 months. Doing all that we can to support the children and families has remained our key focus and I hope that you will agree with me that the staff have been brilliant.

I thank all families for their continued support and wish you all an enjoyable Easter holiday.

Helen Comfort

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 19th April 2021

Lunch Menu: Week 1

Monday, 19th April – Term 5 begins

-Class 1 Forest School sessions all week

