



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 16th July 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

Keeping School Informed

If your child 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

Message from the Headteacher

Farewell Year 6

Our Year 6 children have had the most wonderful week undertaking a range of activities on and off-site; you may have seen them in their 'civvies'! Many thanks to the PTFA who funded delivery pizza earlier in the week as well as pocket money for the children to spend on snacks and gifts during their trip to the Lighthouse today.

The class also enjoyed a day at Betteshanger park where they took part in Battlezone Archery, den building and mountain biking, as well as toasting marshmallows around the campfire. They have also enjoyed trips to the local park and Pines Gardens and on-site play activities as well as a water fight! A barbeque lunch went down very well, rounded off with an ice-cream from the van which visited on Wednesday when children in all classes – and quite a few staff – lined up patiently for a fice 99 or similar of their choosing!

We will continue to honour the children in year 6 next week with a leavers' service and some of our other time-honoured traditions.

Gifts

We have had a number of enquiries from parents regarding end of year gifts for staff. If you would like to give a gift to a member of staff – and PLEASE note there is no expectation whatsoever that you do, I am writing about this purely because we have been asked – please could you give the gift to your child to take into the classroom? The teachers will then have a designated area where the gifts can sit and quarantine for the expected time. The shed door will also be unlocked so this is also available for you to leave a gift if you prefer. (Please make sure items are clearly labelled.)

End of Year Reports

Reports have come home with children today. If you have any comments please email these to secretary@st-margarets-dover.kent.sch.uk by **Tuesday 20th July** for passing on to the relevant staff.

Development Day Wednesday 21st July

As previously advertised, please note that Wednesday 21st July will be a staff development day; Tuesday 20th July will be the last school day for children – please see timings for collection on the reverse of this letter.

Happy sunny weekend everyone!

Helen Comfort

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 19th July 2021

Lunch Menu: Week 1

Monday, 19th July – Year 6 Leavers' Service at 2:15pm on the playground

Tuesday, 20th July - School finishes early – see over

Wednesday, 21st July – INSET Day – pupils not required in school





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Message from Class 6

The children in class 6 have had a week of fun activities to replace their residential trip earlier in the year. Monday began with a water fight on the top field! We had a hose pipe set up so that water pistols could be refilled and there were plenty of water balloons being thrown! The children enjoyed fully soaking the grownups over and over!

Tuesday saw us head over to Betteshanger Park where we were able to take part in Battlezone Archery, den building and mountain biking, as well as toasting marshmallows around the campfire. There are some brightly coloured bruises after the archery!

On Wednesday the children were lucky enough to have large games and toys up on the lower field including space hopper racing and mini golf.

Yesterday we took a walk down to the Pines Gardens and had fun exploring. The children then walked up to the local park and had a great time playing together.

Lastly we spent the morning building kites and then we walked up to the lighthouse to fly them. A fun-filled week had by all! A huge thanks go out to Mrs Saynor, Mrs Marconi, Mr Wratten and Miss D Brett for all of their hard work and support this week.

Miss Brett

PTFA 21 Challenge News

Unfortunately the PTFA had some technical issues with the 21 Challenge Fundraising page and a few of the children were missing from the list of names we were given last week. Certificates and sweetie cones will be distributed to those children. William in Class 1 raised in excess of £202.10 so he will be receiving a voucher for a day out too. Well done to all for taking part.

If you think your child has been missed, please send through the details of the amount raised and what they did for their challenge to the PTFA's email account - stmacptfa@gmail.com - and they will be pleased to correct the error.



Star Awards

w/e 16th July 2021

Class R – All of Class R
Class 1 – Charlie & All of Class 1
Class 2 – All of Class 2
Class 3 – Reuben
Class 4 – All of Class 4
Class 5 – All of Class 5
Class 6 – All of Class 6



**Remember:
School finishes early on Tuesday, 20th
July.**

Pick up times are as follows:

Class R: 1.45pm
Classes 1 and 3: 1.50pm
Classes 2 and 4: 1.55pm
Classes 5 & 6: 2pm
Siblings will be sent out to match at the relevant times.

