



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 27th January 2023

Message from the Headteacher

Industrial Action

Please see separate letter which details the impact on our school of the NEU Industrial Action planned for Wednesday 1st February. Please also see information below regarding Open Afternoon and school lunches on that day. Extra-curricular clubs will continue for Year 2 pupils on Wednesday. Art & Craft Club will dismiss from Class 1 and Singing Club will dismiss from Class R.

Art Exhibition

Thank you to those of you who were able to visit our art exhibition at the Pines Calyx this week. The standard of work was superb again this year with collage, pointillism, sketching, painting, model making and clay work as examples of the work undertaken by the children. A special thank you to Mrs Lavender and Mr Oliver who displayed the work and to the class staff who inspired the children. Final thanks of course must go to the children for their super work and the families for supporting this venture by visiting.

Open Afternoon – Wednesday, 1st February at 3:15pm

Open Afternoon will go ahead as planned for those classes open on 1st February. Due to clubs and commitments in the diary I am afraid that it is not possible to move this planned event to an alternative day.

Vacancies

We are currently advertising for a before school childcare service supervisor. If you are interested in applying please use the Kent-teach.com link below to take you to the online application.

[Before School Childcare Service Supervisor Teaching/Child Support at St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Primary School, Dover \(kent-teach.com\)](https://www.kent-teach.com)

Lunch Menu w/c 30th January

Due to the planned national Industrial Action on Wednesday, 1st February Whole School Meals have made a change to their published lunch menu. The menu on Wednesday 1st February 2023 will now be Pizza, Wedges and Baked Beans followed by Apple Flapjack. The normal Wednesday roast will be served on Tuesday this week replacing Savoury Mince and Mash.

Helen Comfort - Executive Headteacher

Message from Class 3

This week class 3 visited the art exhibition at the Pines Calyx, where class 3 made their names in hieroglyphic writing and 3D sarcophaguses. Everybody thoroughly enjoyed themselves and all the amazing art work from across the school.

In the class we have continued with our Ancient Egyptian theme and have begun to write our Ancient Egyptian stories, which we have been planning all week. In Science we have continued learning about plants, setting up experiments on how roots absorb water. The children were even able to interpret data taken from a graph!

Mr Wratten

NSPCC Number Day – 3rd February 2023

To help raise money for the NSPCC, we are asking pupils and teachers to take part in fundraising for this good cause with a non-uniform day. We are suggesting a donation of £1 from each child to wear an item or items of clothing with a number on e.g. football shirt, cap, netball shirt, etc.

Please send your £1 donation to school with your child to hand to their class teacher on **Friday 3rd February**.





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Year 6 Enterprise Week

Next week, the children in year 6 will be busy becoming entrepreneurs! The children will be working to design and create gifts, cards and sweet treats with a Valentine's theme. They will be selling their gifts to children across the school during break times on **Friday 3rd February**. Gifts, cards and sweet treats will range in price from between 50p to £2.



The purpose of Enterprise Week is to teach the children about creating a business as well as how to manage their budget and profit. Of the monies raised, half will be donated to a charity of the children's choice while the other half will be spent on a treat for the class.

If your child wishes to bring in some money to spend on Friday, please ensure it is in a named purse or wallet. The children will be making enough items so that there is enough for each child to purchase something at the cards & gifts stall as well as something at the sweet treats stall, should they wish.

Thank you
Miss Brett

Star Awards

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Class 1 – Zoe

Class 2 – Isabelle F

Class 3 – Leah

Class 4 - Freddie

Class 5 - Henry

Class 6 - Samuel



The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 30th January 2023

Monday, 30th January

- **Class R Forest School sessions all week** – please see letter for details.

Tuesday, 31st January

- **Class 6 Swimming** - please remember swimming kit/towel, etc.
- **Deadline** for deposit monies for Class 6 residential trip
- **Class 6 Response deadline** for Passport and GHIC form to be returned to school

Wednesday, 1st February

- **Classes R & 1 closed** due to NEU industrial action
- **Class 4 Parents' information meeting at 2pm** re Class 5 residential trip
- **Open Afternoon at 3:15pm (for classes that are open today)** – come and see your child's workbooks and have an informal chat with the teacher

Thursday, 2nd February

- **Class 4 trip** – see separate letter for details

Friday, 3rd February

- **NSPCC Number Day** – suggested £1 donation to wear an item/s of clothing with numbers on

Coronavirus Symptoms

On Tuesday 29 March 2022, 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 2022.

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 (day of positive test is day 0), 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 (day of positive test is day 0), which is when they are most infectious.

Lunch menu: Week 2

w/c Monday, 30th January 2023

£2.41 per day

[October-2022-Menu.pdf](https://www.wholeschoolmeals.co.uk/October-2022-Menu.pdf)
([wholeschoolmeals.co.uk](https://www.wholeschoolmeals.co.uk))

To pay for your meals online, please go to:

<https://www.parentpayshop.co.uk/schools/wsm>

