



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 30th June 2023

Message from the Headteacher

Kent Test registration for Year 5 pupils

Registration for the Kent Test, for children due to start secondary school in September 2024, will close at midnight on Monday, 3rd July 2023. If you would like to register your child and haven't done so yet please make sure you register by the deadline as they will not accept late registrations.

NEU Strike Action Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July 2023

The National Education Union are undertaking further strike action next week. Most teachers have informed me of their intentions and I can confirm that on **Wednesday 5th July Classes R, 1, 3 and 6 will be closed so children in these classes are not to attend school.** Classes 2, 4 and 5 will be open as usual on Wednesday 5th July.

On **Friday 7th July Class 6 will be closed so children in this class are not to attend school.** Classes 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 will be open on Friday 7th July. The Reception Class teacher is as yet undecided about Friday 7th July so there is the potential that this class could also be closed; I will let you know when I do.

Class 6 Trip to Betteshanger Country Park

At the time of writing Year 6 are visiting Betteshanger Country Park for their annual end of year trip. The children are taking part in Mountain Biking, Battle Blasters and the Boonies Obstacle Course. This is always a fun and enjoyable class trip as part of their end of year celebrations and we thank the PTFA for their financial support of this annual event.

Transition

As we start to welcome our new Reception class children into school our oldest children have been getting ready for moving on – next week, on Thursday 6th July, they will all spend the day at their new secondary schools. On that day also all children in school will 'move up' and spend time with their teacher for September in their new classroom.

Staff News

A couple of weeks ago I advised you that Mrs Fairhurst would be leaving St Margaret's CP at the end of this term. We have now completed recruitment and I am pleased to say we have appointed Mr Benjamin Ayers; we look forward to welcoming him to the team.

The planned teacher allocation for next year is as follows:-

Class R – Miss Emma Owen

Class 1 – Mrs Clare Hoile (Mon and Tues) and Miss Helen Moloney (Wed, Thurs, Fri)

Class 2 - Miss Eleanor Fordham

Class 3 – Mr Benjamin Ayers

Class 4 – Mrs Kate Byatt

Class 5 – Mr Julian Oliver

Class 6 – Miss Lucy Brett

Mr Ayers will be in school for induction work and to meet his new class over the next couple of weeks. We hope he will be able to join us on 6th July when classes will have a session in the classroom they will be in next year with their new teacher.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher





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Message from Class 6

Class 6 have had another very busy week! The children have been rehearsing for their production of 'Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits' which they will be performing in the village hall on Thursday 13th July. We have sorted costumes and have been polishing our songs and dances. Tickets are still available to purchase and will be sold outside of the year 6 classroom on Monday and Tuesday of next week.

The children have worked to sell cakes, biscuits and other sweet treats in order to raise money for some of their end of year celebrations. Thank you to everyone who brought in money to spend on their cakes. The children have today been and had a fun-day at Betteshanger Park with some of the proceeds from the cake sale, with the rest kindly funded by the PTFA. We are looking forward to a fun-filled final few weeks before the children depart for secondary school.

Miss Brett

Attendance

Whole School attendance

26/06/23 - 30/06/23

94.7%

Whole School attendance

05/09/22 - date

94.7%

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 3rd July 2023

CLUBS HAVE FINISHED FOR THIS TERM

Monday, 3rd July

- **Class 4 Forest School Sessions this week** – please see letter for details
- **Kent Test Registration deadline for Year 5 pupils**
- **'Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits' tickets** on sale from 3pm outside Year 6 classroom

Tuesday, 4th July

- **Summer Cup Event** – selected pupils
- **Class 3 Swimming** - please remember swimming kit/towel, etc.
- **'Ali Baba and the Bongo Bandits' tickets** on sale from 3pm outside Year 6 classroom

Wednesday, 5th July

- **Class R closed** – NEU Strike Day
- **Class 1 closed** – NEU Strike Day
- **Class 3 closed** – NEU Strike Day
- **Class 6 closed** - NEU Strike Day

Thursday, 6th July

- **Class 6 Secondary Transition Day**
- **Induction sessions in Class R** for new pupils starting September 2023 – booked appointments
- **3:15pm PTFA selling freeze pops in the gazebo after school**

Friday, 7th July

- **Class R might close, this to be confirmed** – NEU Strike Day
- **Class 6 closed** - NEU Strike Day
- **2:30pm Musical Showcase** – by invitation

Star Awards

w/e 30th June 2023

Class 1 – Sophia

Class 2 – Oliver

Class 3 – Bella

Class 4 – Aaron

Class 5 - James



Lunch Menu: Week 2

w/c Monday, 3rd July 2023

£2.41 per day

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(wholeschoolmeals.co.uk)

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

