



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 14th March 2025

Message from the Headteacher

This week, we have been immersed in the wonders of British Science Week. Our classrooms and corridors have been buzzing with enthusiasm as pupils have engaged in a wide array of experiments and practical learning activities. It has been great to see their curiosity and eagerness to explore scientific concepts through hands-on experiences and experiments. These practical sessions not only enhance their understanding of scientific principles, but also foster critical thinking and problem-solving skills that are essential for their future academic and personal growth.

I am particularly proud to highlight the outstanding performance of our Year 5 and 6 athletes who participated in the Dover schools athletics competition last Tuesday. Their dedication, sportsmanship, and adherence to our school values were exemplary. Our pupils took part in both track and field events, demonstrating not only their physical prowess but also their ability to work as a team and support one another. Their excellent effort is a testament to the hard work they have put into their training and preparation. We congratulate them on their achievements and distinction.

On a different note, I would like to express my thanks to all the families who have generously donated board games and puzzles for our wet play activities. Your contributions have been greatly received and will undoubtedly enhance the pupils' indoor experiences during inclement weather. These games and puzzles not only provide entertainment but also offer valuable opportunities for social interaction, strategic thinking, and cooperative play. Your support in this matter is a wonderful example of the strong community spirit that we cherish at St. Margaret's-at-Cliffe.

Thank you for your ongoing support and involvement in our school community and I wish you all a lovely weekend – hopefully, the sun will stay out for a bit!

Craig Ward – Headteacher

'Celebration Assembly'

We are pleased to invite parent/carers to attend our Celebration Assembly.

Date: Friday, 21st March

Time: 2:45pm

Where: School Hall

We look forward to seeing you there.

Star Awards

w/e 7th & 14th March



Hedgehogs – Edie, Joshua, Hudson, Alfie & Isaac

Rabbits – Isla F & Monty

Squirrels – Genevieve & Zoe

Badgers – May & Tommy

Woodpeckers – Ines, Charlie & Oliver

Owls – Lydia & Gil

Whole School Attendance

10/03/25 - 14/03/25

93.3%

3/09/24 – 14/03/25

96.1%



Lunch Menu:

Week 1

w/c Monday, 17th March 2025

£2.50 per day

[Menu-Nov-2024-Mar-2025.pdf](#)

To pay for your meals online, please go to:

parentpayshop.co.uk/schools/wsm/



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Parent/Carer Consultations Monday 17th and Wednesday 19th March

We look forward to seeing all parent/carers attending our Parent/Carer Consultation meetings next week. We appreciate our families coming into school, looking at their children's workbooks and speaking with the teachers.



Meetings will be held in the school hall.

FUNRAISING TARGET HIT- NEW IPADS

THANKS TO YOUR DONATIONS AND SUPPORT AND A VERY GENEROUS GRANT FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL OF £750 (FOLLOWING AN APPLICATION TO THEIR VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS SCHEME) WE ARE VERY PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO PURCHASE SIX IPADS FOR THE SCHOOL. THIS MEANS THAT EACH CLASS CAN NOW HAVE THEIR OWN IPAD TO HELP CAPTURE AND SHARE THE LEARNING AND OF COURSE UPDATE US PARENTS AND CARERS VIA CLASSDOJO.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

YOUR PTFA

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 17th March 2025

Monday, 17th March

- Response deadline for Spring Concert tickets requests
- Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings from 3:30pm (by appointment)

Wednesday, 19th March

- Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings from 3:30pm (by appointment)

Friday, 21st March

- Response deadline to order 'My Mum' special edition of East Kent Mercury
- Deadline for Badgers to pay deposit for residential trip
- 'Celebration Assembly' – parent/carers invited to

PTFA Pre-Loved School Uniform Shop

Do your children outgrow or lose their uniform faster than you can say 'school run'?



PTFA to the rescue!

You will be pleased to hear that the PTFA's Pre-Loved Uniform Shop is up and running. All items are in as new condition, and are FREE of charge (although we will of course accept your money if you'd like to offer a donation!). The uniforms are washed and ready for collection - it's like a hand-me-down, but fancier!

Please feel free to call us on 07904 123 554, or email us on stmacptfa@gmail.com to arrange collection.

PRE-LOVED SCHOOL UNIFORM

RAILS OF PRE-LOVED SCHOOL UNIFORM WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE DURING PARENTS EVENING NEXT WEEK! (MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY)- AS WE HAVE MORE THAN WE CAN STORE ITEMS ARE FREE BUT AS ALWAYS DONATIONS ARE WELCOME

MAKE ANY DONATIONS VIA BANK TRANSFER OR PAYPAL
ST MARGARETS AT CLIFFE PTFA
SORT CODE: 77-63-11
ACC: 75263660

PAYPAL:
STMACPTFA@GMAIL.COM

Community Noticeboard

THE WESTEND EXPERIENCE Club

£35 PER DAY (Friday £25*)

FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL YR 2-6!

MONDAY 7TH-FRIDAY 11TH APRIL 10AM-3PM
ST MARGARETS AT CLIFFE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Workshops delivered by performers that have been in the Musicals themselves!

WICKED | BUGSY MALONE | MAMMA MIA | MATILDA

TO BOOK YOUR SPACES
VISIT WWW.DANCEFITWITHEMILY.CO.UK
OR EMAIL dancefitwithemily@gmail.com
Emily Powell | emily_powell.25

FREE WESTEND EXPERIENCE CLUB T-SHIRT
if attending all week

DBS CHECKED. FULLY INSURED. PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH (NO NUTS PLEASE)

DOVER FOODBANK MOST needed ITEMS

MARCH 2025

- BAKED BEANS
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- CUPPA SOUP
- PASTA 'N' SAUCE
- FRUIT JUICE (UHT)
- SQUASH
- TINNED FRUIT
- NOODLES
- TINNED MEAT
- SHAMPOO
- HOT CHOCOLATE
- INSTANT MASH
- LAUNDRY PRODUCTS
- TIN OPENERS

PLEASE NOTE

We have plenty of pasta & pulses

INFO@DOVER.FOODBANK.ORG.UK
UNIT 7, CHARLTON CENTRE, HIGH ST, DOVER
CHARITY NO. 1168737

Community Engagement Session

Dover District Council and Stagecoach invite you to a community engagement session.

Meet your Community Development Officer and representatives from Stagecoach to discuss your local bus services.

Say hello!
Look for the Community Roots van

- Elvington Community Centre / play area
Friday 14 March, 2pm – 4pm
- Sunny Corner – Aycliffe
Friday 21 March, 2pm – 4pm
- Heritage Road, Aylesham
Friday 11 April, 2pm – 4pm
- Whitfield Recreation Ground
Friday 25 April, 2pm – 4pm

St Margaret's Nursery

Quiz Night

Friday 21st March
From 7pm - Quiz starts at 7.30pm
at St Margaret's Village Hall, Reach Road

£5 per person
Tables of up to 8
Bring your own food & drink
and a raffle prize donation if possible please.

To book a table, please contact
Catherine Perry - 07717 503933 or
Kirsty Harper - kirstylyon.me@gmail.com

www.stmargaretsnursery.co.uk
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