



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 4th April 2025

Message from the Headteacher

As we approach the end of another successful term, I am delighted to share with you some of the exciting achievements that have taken place this week.

Our commitment to providing a rich and engaging curriculum continues to bear fruit. The main corridor of our school has been transformed into a vibrant showcase of our pupils' learning. Classes have recently moved their first project displays from Terms 3 and 4 built up in their classrooms over time out for us all to see, offering a wonderful opportunity to appreciate the depth and breadth of knowledge our children have acquired. These displays clearly show the learning journey and hard work of our pupils and the dedication of our teaching staff in implementing our new curriculum. I encourage you all to take a moment to admire these displays during any visit to the school over the coming terms, as they truly reflect the amazing learning journey our children are undertaking.

It gives me great pleasure to celebrate the resounding success of our recent spring concert. The event was a highlight of our school calendar, showcasing the musical talents of our pupils. The excellent confident public speaking of our pupils introducing the songs and the curriculum links, along with the many actions were particularly noteworthy, demonstrating not only the children's abilities but also their confidence and enthusiasm. Such events play a crucial role in nurturing our pupils' creative skills and fostering a love for the arts.

On a more serious note, I must address a growing concern regarding parking during pick-up and drop-off times. The safety of our children is paramount, and it is becoming increasingly clear that parking practises around the school are posing a significant risk. I must emphasise that parking and stopping on the zig-zag lines during the stated times is strictly prohibited and we do have two sets of road markings that must be complied with – with the boundaries marked in red in the pictures below for ease. This rule is in place to ensure clear visibility and safe passage for all our children's safety. I urge all parents and carers to adhere to these parking restrictions. Your cooperation in this matter is not just appreciated; it is essential for the wellbeing of our school community.

As we break for the holiday, I would like to express my gratitude to our dedicated staff, our supportive parents, and most importantly, our wonderful pupils. Your collective efforts continue to make St. Margaret's-at-Cliffe Primary School a vibrant and nurturing place of learning.

As we look ahead, I would like to remind everyone that school will resume on Tuesday, 22nd April. We look forward to welcoming all our pupils back for what promises to be an exciting and productive summer term. I wish you all a restful and enjoyable break, and I look forward to seeing everyone back at school, refreshed and ready for the challenges and opportunities that the new term will bring.

Craig Ward – Headteacher





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‘Celebration Assembly’

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

Date: Friday, 25th April
Time: 2:45pm
Where: School Hall

We look forward to seeing you there.

PTFA Pre-Loved School Uniform

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.

Birthdays

Happy birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthday in April.

Arthur	Hedgehogs
May	Badgers
Grace	Badgers
Lottie	Owls
Edie	Hedgehogs
Madeleine	Owls
Harry	Squirrels
Beatrix	Hedgehogs
Ines	Woodpeckers
Oliver	Woodpeckers
Isla	Squirrels
Izzabella	Badgers
Seth	Owls
Isobelle	Owls
Charlie	Rabbits





New Lunch Menu

Whole School Meals have issued their new menu for Terms 5 & 6. A copy of this has been emailed with this newsletter.

We return to school on Week 1 of the new menu however, on Tuesday, 22nd April, Monday’s menu will be served - cheese slice/pasta provencale, pasta, baked beans & peas.

The menu will resume as usual on Wednesday, 23rd April.

Whole School Attendance

31/03/25 - 04/04/25

95.6%

03/09/24 – 04/04/25

96.1%

WE WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY EASTER



Children return to school on Tuesday, 22nd April

The Week Ahead!

Week commencing 21st April 2025

Extra-Curricular Clubs start back

Monday, 21st April

- Easter Monday Bank Holiday** – children are not required in school

Tuesday, 22nd April

- Start of Term 5** – children to return to school
- Badgers Class Swimming** - please remember swimming kit/towel, etc.

Friday, 25th April

- ‘Celebration Assembly’** parent/carers invited to attend. Please come to the school office at 2:45pm

New Lunch Menu: Week 1

w/c Monday, 21st April 2025

£2.50 per day

[Menu-April-2025-1.pdf](#)

To pay for your meals online, please go to:

parentpayshop.co.uk/schools/wsm/



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EASTER SPORTS CAMP

7th and 8th April 2025
9:00am-3pm

INCLUDED :

- Experienced coaches
- Hot Lunch provided (with options)
- Refreshments
- The chance to make new friends and learn a new skill
- Prizes and small mementos

1 day for £20
2 days for £35

Join us on the drill field for two days full of sporting fun!

REGISTER NOW BY DROPPING US A MESSAGE OR EMAIL!

oasportstherapy@yahoo.com
The Drill Field, Canada Road
CT147EQ




St. Margaret's Lawn Tennis Club Spring Open Day!

Saturday 5th April 2025
at
Tennis courts/cricket pavilion
CT15 6AF
from
10.30am onwards

If you're looking to start playing or get back into tennis, come and join us to find out more about the club and what we offer. All ages and abilities welcome.

Bring a racket, balls and other players supplied!



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Refreshments provided

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EASTER

TENNIS CLUB

4-14 YEARS
MON 14TH APRIL
9:00 – 12:00

A MORNING OF FUN ON COURT FOLLOWED BY AN EASTER EGG HUNT – PRIZES FOR EVERY CHILD! LIMITED SPACES



[WWW.CHTENNIS.CO.UK](http://www.chtennis.co.uk)
ST MARGARETS LTC

£35 PER DAY
Friday £25*

FOR CHILDREN IN SCHOOL VR 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](https://www.instagram.com/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)

Family Learning
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Creative Easter Paperworks

Would you like to:

- Celebrate Easter with a variety of exciting creations?
- Create cherished mementos and beautiful crafts inspired by Easter?
- Develop your creative side?
- Make new friends whilst learning a new skill?

This course is for parents/carers and children (age range 2 – 6 years old)

Where: Deal Family Hub, Park Avenue, Deal, CT14 9UJ
Date: Friday 11th April 2025
Time: 1pm – 3pm
 To book a place please contact doverfamilyhubs@kent.gov.uk or 03000 420008

Where: Aycliffe Family Hub, St. David's Avenue, Aycliffe, CT17 9HJ
Date: Wednesday 16th April 2025
Time: 1pm – 3pm
 To book a place please contact doverfamilyhubs@kent.gov.uk or 03000 420882

We want you to enjoy learning with us. To help us provide the best possible experience for you, please let us know if you or your child have any disabilities or particular support needs.

FREE, fun & informal courses

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DOVER FOODBANK

MOST needed ITEMS

APRIL 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. 1144727

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Dover District Libraries Events – April 2025

See below details of some children's events running in several Dover district libraries during April. All are free of charge and children need to be accompanied by an adult.

Dover Library

Contact details for further information

dover.library@kent.gov.uk or call 03000 41 31 31

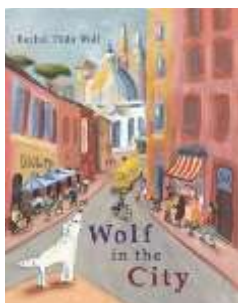
- Easter Bunny Hunt with Easter themed children's craft session. Monday 14 April, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm.
- Children's Craft Session, for ages 3 – 10 years.
- Saturday 26 April, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm.

Deal Library

Contact details for booking and further information

deal.library@kent.gov.uk or call 03000 41 31 31

- Wolf in the City – A Story Reading and Children's Craft activity. Monday, 14 April, 10 am – 11 am.
Suitable for ages 3 -7 years. **Booking required.**
- Easter Crafts Eggstravaganza! Thursday, 10 and Tuesday, 15 April, 11 am – 12.30 pm.
Suitable for ages 4 – 11 years.



Sandwich Library

Contact details for further

information sandwich.library@kent.gov.uk or call 03000 41 31 31

- Easter and Spring Character Hunt, during normal library opening hours. 5 April – 22 April.
- Story Time and Craft sessions, 5 and 19 April, 10.30 am, suitable for ages 3 – 10 years.



BETTESHANGER FOOTBALL CLUB

FREE!

GIRLS EASTER SOCCER CAMP

LED BY EXPERIENCED UEFA QUALIFIED AND FIRST AID TRAINED COACHES

MEET PLAYERS FROM OUR LADIES 1st TEAM

THE PERFECT WAY FOR GIRLS AGED 5-11 TO GET INVOLVED IN FOOTBALL

EXPECT FUN FOOTBALL BASED GAMES WITH AN EASTER TWIST

WEDNESDAY 16th APRIL 2025 | 10:30 - 12:00

WELFARE SPORTS GROUND, CAVELL SQUARE, CT14 9JW

BOOK NOW: [DAN.SLAUGHTER@BETTESHANGERFC.CO.UK](mailto:dan.slaughter@betteshangerfc.co.uk)

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STILL GET IN TOUCH AND WE CAN SUPPORT YOU TO FIND THE RIGHT OPPORTUNITY

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