



## Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025

### Message from the Headteacher

It has been absolutely lovely to see everyone back after the summer holidays. The children have returned looking so smart in their uniforms and shiny new shoes – thank you for helping to make sure they're ready for the new term. There's always such a buzz of excitement in the first week back, and this year has been no exception!

A very warm welcome to all of our new pupils and their families. Starting a new school is a big step, but the children have already settled in so well, and it has been wonderful to see how friendly and welcoming our school community has been to them. We're also thrilled to welcome Mrs Stephens, who has joined us as the new teacher in Woodpeckers from Wednesdays to Fridays. She's had a fantastic start to the term, and we're really excited for everything she will bring to the team.

Around school, the classrooms are looking bright, fresh and inviting. You may have noticed our lovely new carpets, which have helped make the learning spaces feel even more welcoming. Staff have worked so hard to create calm and engaging environments, and the children are already making the most of them.

ClassDojo is also up and running again, so please do take a look at the posts from your child's class. It's such a great way to see what they've been learning and celebrating in school – we know the children love sharing their activities with you at home. Don't forget, we don't use the premium features, so no need to pay for the app.

It's been a wonderful start to the term, and I'm really looking forward to everything we have ahead of us over the coming weeks. Thank you, as always, for your support in making our school such a special place.

Here's to a happy, successful, and fun autumn term together!

Craig Ward – Headteacher

### 'Celebration Assembly'

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

**Date: Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

**Time: 2:45am**

**Where: School Hall**

We look forward to seeing you there.

Our focus school value this term:

# Responsibility

### Whole School Attendance

03/09/25 - 05/09/25

99.9%

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### Individual School Photographs Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> September



The individual pupil photographs will take place on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> September – clean uniform, shiny faces and a big smile please!

### 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 [stmactfa@gmail.com](mailto:stmactfa@gmail.com) to arrange collection.

### 'Meet The Teacher'

### Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> September

We are looking forward to families of children in all classes coming into school at pick-up time for our first open afternoon of the year. Please collect your child(ren) as usual from the classroom and then come back in via the main entrance. Staff will be in their classrooms and you will also be able to have a look at your child's workbooks (where relevant).



### House points w/e 5<sup>th</sup> September

BAY	CLIFFE	LIGHTHOUSE	PINES
110	169	126	140

### The Week Ahead

### Week commencing 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025

### NO CLUBS

#### Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> September

- School Individual Photographs

#### Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> September

- 3:15pm Open Afternoon – 'Meet the Teacher'

#### Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> September

- Kent Test Day – for children in Year 6 who have registered to take the test

#### Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> September

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

### Lunch Menu:

### Week 2

w/c Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> September  
2025

£2.75 per day

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

To pay for your meals online,  
please go to:

[parentpayshop.co.uk/  
schools/wsm/](https://parentpayshop.co.uk/schools/wsm/)

Community Noticeboard

5<sup>th</sup> Dover (St. Margaret's)  
Scout Group



6 – 8 Years  
Fridays (term time)  
18:00 – 19:15



8 – 10 ½ Years  
Tuesdays (term time)  
18:30 – 20:00



10 ½ - 14 Years  
Fridays (term time)  
19:30 – 21:00

Volunteer:

Help make a positive impact on the lives of young people.  
If you can only occasionally help, that's OK. Whether you'd like to be an activity planner, tea-maker or craft creator, we appreciate any time you can spare.

[www.scouts.org.uk/volunteer](http://www.scouts.org.uk/volunteer)

Contact us: [info5thdovercouts@btinternet.com](mailto:info5thdovercouts@btinternet.com)

01304 852429 (Scout hut - during meeting times) 07837 927441 (John: Group Lead Volunteer)

[www.scouts.org.uk](http://www.scouts.org.uk)

St Margaret's Nursery

# Quiz Night

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025  
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](mailto:kirstylyon.me@gmail.com)

[www.stmargaretsnursery.co.uk](http://www.stmargaretsnursery.co.uk)  
Registered Charity Number: 1194058

DOVER FOODBANK  
MOST needed ITEMS

SEPTEMBER 2025

- CEREAL
- UHT MILK
- FRUIT JUICE (UHT)
- TINNED FISH
- TINNED MEAT
- JAM AND SPREADS
- NOODLES
- CUSTARD
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- INSTANT MASH
- MALE & FEMALE DEODORANTS
- SHAMPOO
- LAUNDRY PRODUCTS
- CLEANING PRODUCTS

PLEASE NOTE

We have plenty of pasta & pulses

INFO@DOVER.FOODBANK.ORG.UK  
UNIT 7, CHARLTON CENTRE, HIGH ST, DOVER  
CHARITY NO. 1212901

KIDS TENNIS COACHING  
ST MARGARETS LTC



SATURDAYS

TERM TIME

9-10AM - AGES 8-14

10-11AM - AGES 4-7



booking via [www.chtennis.co.uk](http://www.chtennis.co.uk)

