



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 6th February 2026

Message from the Headteacher

What a wonderful week we've had at school, culminating in our brilliant celebration of NSPCC Number Day 2026! It was fantastic to see an amazing array of numbers on display; from creative outfits to enthusiastic participation in maths-inspired challenges. Our corridors and classrooms were buzzing with numerical fun, energy and enthusiasm all day long.

Number Day is not just about having fun with maths; it's also an important way for our school community to support the NSPCC (the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children). Thousands of schools across the UK took part in maths games, quizzes and activities to raise funds. The money raised makes a real difference, it helps vital services such as Speak out Stay Safe programmes that visit schools to teach children how to recognise abuse and what to do if they're worried, and Childline, a free and confidential helpline available to children and young people whenever they need support.

Throughout the day, children engaged with numbers in so many wonderful ways. Some classes tackled exciting mathematical challenges, while others used maths in real-world scenarios to deepen their learning. It was truly a celebration of numeracy and creativity!

We also embraced the wetter weather this week with some excellent wet-play activities going on around the building - and what a blast they were! Pupils enjoyed ruthless games of chess and checkers, showing brilliant strategic thinking and lots of resilience. Other children provided fantastic coaching and support, helping everyone improve their skills while having fun. Many children also tried out new board games from around the school, discovering fresh ways to think, plan and enjoy time together.

Adding to the excitement, we were entertained by a captivating demonstration from Music for Schools Foundation, who took us on a musical journey through games, films and well-known theme tunes. It was a real treat to experience music in such a dynamic way and brought a joyful atmosphere to the whole school.

If your child was inspired by the performance and is interested in learning a musical instrument, please take a look at the information sent out on ParentMail — it contains details on instrument lessons and how to get involved.

Thank you for your continued support, together we've made Number Day 2026 a fun, purposeful experience for every child.

Have a great weekend.

Craig Ward – Headteacher

Celebration Assembly

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

Date: Friday, 13th February 2026

Time: 2:45pm

Where: School Hall

We look forward to seeing you there.

Our focus school value this term:

Resilience

Whole School Attendance

02/02/26 – 06/02/26

01/09/25 – 06/02/26

97%



96.5%



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Star Awards



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- Hedgehogs** – Grace
- Rabbits** – Demyd
- Squirrels** – Harry
- Badgers** – Eloise
- Woodpeckers** – Cassie
- Owls** – Lilia

PTFA Pre-Loved School Uniform

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 email us on stmacptfa@gmail.com to arrange collection.

Currently our stocks are full and therefore we are unable to take any further donations at this time.

NSPCC Number Day

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated monies for our charity event in aid of NSPCC Number Day.

The total raised today was **£142**



Change of date

In a change to the published dates in our Welcome Letter sent to parents in September, our Reserve Sports Day will now be Monday, 29th June 2026.



Charity Fundraising

Next Friday (13th), the last day of term, three of our entrepreneurial Woodpeckers will be running a sale of items they've made especially in aid of Leukaemia UK and Macmillan Cancer Support.

They will on the playground with their table of goodies and collection pots at pick up. Please support them if you can - great causes and a fantastic display of thinking of others by our wonderful, compassionate pupils here at St. Margaret's.



Birthdays



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

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| Rafael | Badgers |
| Sophia | Badgers |
| William | Owls |
| Harrison | Badgers |
| Dudley | Owls |
| Harry | Squirrels |
| Octavia | Rabbits |
| Phoebe | Woodpeckers |
| Joseph | Squirrels |
| Camille | Woodpeckers |

The Week Ahead

Week commencing 9th February 2026

Friday, 13th February

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

Lunch Menu: Week 3

w/c Monday, 9th February 2026

£2.75 per day

[Primary School Menu - Whole School Meals](#)

to pay for your meals online, please go to:

www.wholeschoolmeals.co.uk/pay

Community Noticeboard




**Feb Half Term holiday club
Multisport**

Mon 16th
Tue 17th
Wed 18th

£20 a day
10-3pm

Tridax business park
Whitfield

Ages 5-12

OPEN AUDITIONS

Disney
FROZEN JR.

ST MARGARET'S PLAYERS' YOUTH ACADEMY

MONDAY 02ND FEBRUARY
THURSDAY 05TH FEBRUARY

06:30PM UNTIL 07:30PM

ST MARGARET'S HALL **CT15 6AP**



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Fostering SOUTH EAST

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03000 420 002

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Kent Fostering and Supported Homes are looking for new carers and hosts to join our outstanding fostering community and help care for some of Kent's most vulnerable children and young people.

As part of our team, carers and hosts receive excellent support, high-quality training, and the opportunity to make a lasting, positive difference in a child's life.

To learn more, visit our website <https://www.kentfostering.co.uk/>

It's never too late to give a child a second chance to shine and become the person they're meant to be.

To speak to one of our advisors please call us on **03000 420 002** or fill in our online enquiry form [here](#).

Community Noticeboard



BARN DANCE
Live band with a caller

Friday 20th March
7-10:30pm
£15 per person

St. Margarets Village Hall
American Supper - Bring your own food and drink

Tickets can be purchased from
St. Margaret's Nursery,
Village Shop and Post Office

In aid of St. Margarets Nursery
Registered Charity Number 1194058



VISIT OUR WEBSITE

CRICKET COACHING

Do you have a child in Year 5 or 6 looking to get into playing cricket?

Come and join our cricket sessions
£25 for 5 weeks

Payable before the first session
Bank details: Sort Code 52-10-19
Account Number 10697004

Starts Sunday 22nd February
U11s : 6pm - 7pm

REGISTER NOW

To register e-mail incredhulks@hotmail.com

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