



Message from the Headteacher

It's been another busy and uplifting week at St Margaret's, filled with moments that remind us just how proud we are of our children.

First, a huge well done to the pupils in Owls and Badgers who took part in the school tennis competition. They represented the school brilliantly, showing determination, teamwork and a fantastic attitude throughout what turned out to be a very challenging day. The weather was truly atrocious, but their resilience and resourcefulness shone through. We are especially delighted that one of our teams has made it through to the Doubles Championships Finals at Bromley Tennis Centre next week. What an achievement. We'll all be cheering them on.

Across the school, I've had the pleasure of spending time in classrooms, talking with children about their learning and seeing the great work happening every day. From creative writing to problem-solving in maths, from thoughtful discussions to hands-on exploration, the children have been engaged, enthusiastic and proud to share what they've been doing. These visits are always a highlight of my week.

I've also really enjoyed catching up with parents and carers; whether at the gate, during meetings or in passing around school. Hearing how well the children are getting on, and sharing in those small but significant successes, is something I value enormously. Thank you for your ongoing support and partnership.

Looking ahead, next week is the national Multiplication Tables Check for all Year 4 pupils. Our children have been working incredibly hard to prepare, and we know they will approach it with confidence. We wish them the very best of luck...they're ready.

Finally, a gentle reminder that school uniform remains important right up to the end of the school year. Please ensure children continue to wear full uniform, including appropriate school shoes. It helps maintain our sense of pride, belonging and readiness for learning. Full uniform information can be found here: <https://www.stmargaretsprimary.co.uk/page/?title=School+Uniform&pid=122>

Thank you for another positive and productive week. I hope you all enjoy a restful weekend.

Craig Ward - Headteacher



Our focus school value this term:
Respect & tolerance



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 5th June 2026

Star Awards

w/e 5th June 2026

Hedgehogs – Alfred

Rabbits – Ivy

Squirrels – Logan

Badgers – Anthony

Woodpeckers – May

Owls – Reggie



Term dates 2026/2027

TERM 1 2026 1 September 2026 - 23 October 2026

TERM 2 2026 2 November 2026 -18 December 2026

TERM 3 2027 4 January 2027 – 12 February 2027

TERM 4 2027 22 February 2027 – 25 March 2027

TERM 5 2027 12 April 2027 - 28 May 2027

TERM 6 2027 7 June 2027 - 21 July 2027

Our five staff training days are currently scheduled to be:-

- **1st September 2026**
- **2nd September 2026**
- **2nd November 2026**
- **4th January 2027**
- **28th May 2027**

Lunch Menu: Week 2

w/c Monday, 8th June 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](http://www.wholeschoolmeals.co.uk/pay)

Whole School Attendance

01/06/26 – 05/06/26

93.6%

01/09/25 - 05/06/26

96.2%



The Week Ahead

Week commencing 8th June 2026

Tuesday, 9th June

- **Owls Class trip 6:30am leave school** – see separate letter for details
- **Squirrels Class Swimming** - please remember swimming kit/towel, etc.
- **New Reception Class 2026 Induction Session 3:30 – 4:30pm**

Wednesday, 10th June

- **Owls Class trip** – see separate letter for details

Thursday, 11th June

- **New Reception Class 2026 Induction Session 3:30 – 4:30pm**

Friday, 12th June

- **Rabbits Class Family Assembly** – 9am in the school hall
- **NO Celebration Assembly**
- **3:15pm PTFA selling freeze pops in the gazebo after school**



PTFA NEWS

SUMMER FAIR

Saturday 20th June
12pm to 3pm

ST MARGARETS AT CLIFFE SCHOOL

SAVE THE DATE

MORE INFORMATION
TO FOLLOW

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE A STALL OR TO
VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME PLEASE MESSAGE
STMACPTFA@GMAIL.COM



Community Noticeboard

DOVER FOODBANK MOST needed ITEMS

JUNE 2026

- CUPPA SOUPS
- UHT MILK
- FRUIT JUICE (UHT)
- INSTANT RICE
- TINNED SPAGHETTI
- JAM AND SPREADS
- INSTANT MASH
- TINNED SOUP
- TINNED VEGETABLES
- PASTA SAUCES
- TINNED BEANS
- PASTA N SAUCE
- NOODLES
- TOILET ROLLS

PLEASE NOTE

We have plenty of pasta & pulses

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

Portal House School

Art Exhibition 2026



Please join us to celebrate the work of our wonderful Year 11 GCSE Art and Design students at our private view:

Thursday 18th June

4pm-6pm

The Vocational Room
Portal House School
Sea Street
St Margaret's at Cliffe
Dover Kent
CT15 6SS



Friends of St Margaret's Church

Teddy Bear Parachute Jump

Saturday 27th June

jumping from 11.00am
St Margaret's Church Tower

Yes! We are inviting all adventurous teddies (other species welcome) to parachute off the church tower!

Apply for a Pawsport and Boarding Pass for permission to jump.
£5 per jumper (£2.50 each additional family member)

Application forms in the Church Porch, via email and downloadable from our website.

stmargaretsbenefice.org.uk
FriendsofStMargaretofAntioch@gmail.com



Little Explorers NURSERY

SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

22ND JULY – FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST

<p>ALL FOOD, SNACKS & DRINKS included!</p> <p>Nutritious meals, snacks and drinks provided throughout the day.</p>	<p>TIMES & PRICES Price per child</p> <p>8:30am – 3:30pm £30</p>	<p>20% OFF WITH TAX-FREE CHILDCARE</p>
	<p>8:00am Breakfast Club £5</p>	
	<p>3:30pm – 6:00pm £15</p>	

LOTS OF FUN ACTIVITIES!

SPORTS & FIELD GAMES	ARTS & CRAFTS	COOKING & BAKING	MARIO KART TOURNAMENTS
DANCE PARTIES	WATER BATTLES	LOCAL TRIPS & WALKS	TENNIS & BADMINTON

BOOK NOW!
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE!

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Community Noticeboard

THE WESTERN HEIGHTS PRESERVATION SOCIETY PRESENTS

DROP REDOUBT OPEN WEEKEND

Adults £5
Children Free

20-21st June 2026

Drop Redoubt Fort,
Drop Redoubt Road, Dover

ARMED FORCES DAY

SATURDAY 13TH JUNE 2026
10:00AM – 4:00PM

DOVER TRANSPORT MUSEUM

Willingdon Road, Whitfield, Dover CT16 2JX

ENTERTAINMENT CRAFT STALLS RE-ENACTORS
MINI TRAIN RIDES MILITARY VEHICLES MODEL BOATS & TANKS
& DELICIOUS FOOD!

FREE TICKETS ON EVENTBRITE!
Museum Admission: £5 per Adult • £3 per Child

BOOKING ESSENTIAL – FREE ENTRY TO MUSEUM GROUNDS ONLY
Visit Eventbrite to reserve your tickets!

DOVER WESTERN HEIGHTS 2026 OPENING TIMES, EVENTS & WORKDAYS

WWW.DOVERWESTERNHEIGHTS.ORG
FIND US USING W3W AT ROUTINE.VARIETY.CATAPULT

WORKDAYS

JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER WORK PARTIES, MEET AT THE DROP REDOUBT DROP REDOUBT ROAD, DOVER 10:30AM TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED

15TH MARCH, 19TH APRIL, 17TH MAY,
19TH JULY, 16TH AUGUST, 18TH OCTOBER,
15TH NOVEMBER

SEE WEBSITE FOR DIRECTIONS, SITE INFORMATION,
AND SUMMER MONTHLY TOUR DATES

THE GRAND SHAFT

15 TH MARCH	10:30AM - 4:00PM
19 TH APRIL	10:30AM - 4:00PM
17 TH MAY	10:30AM - 4:00PM
19 TH JULY	10:30AM - 4:00PM
16 TH AUGUST	10:30AM - 4:00PM
18 TH OCTOBER	10:30AM - 4:00PM
15 TH NOVEMBER	10:30AM - 4:00PM



DROP REDOUBT OPEN WEEKEND

20th - 21st June

NORTH ENTRANCE OPEN

19th & 20th September

DETAILS AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER VIA WEBSITE

THE GRAND SHAFT, SNARGATE STREET, DOVER, KENT.

SEARCH FOR US ON FACEBOOK
Western Heights Preservation Society

DONATE TO THE WORK OF THE SOCIETY VIA OUR GOFUNDME

WESTERN HEIGHTS
Preservation Society

NORMAL MUSEUM ENTRY FEE APPLIES
OPTIONAL PRE-BOOKING AVAILABLE

COMICON

AT THE MUSEUM

JUNE 20TH-21ST 2026

10AM - 4PM

ANY QUESTIONS EMAIL [INFO@RAFMANSTON.CO.UK](mailto:info@rafmanston.co.uk)

@RAF Manston History Museum
WHAT THREE WORDS - REHARRIED.MORNINGS.PAVE

BOOK HERE

Charity No. 1179982

SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, WEATHER CONDITIONS, MECHANICAL BREAKDOWNS AND SHORTAGE OF VOLUNTEERS AND/OR EXHIBITORS