



Weekly Newsletter – Friday, 26th June 2026

Message from the Headteacher

What a week it has been - the heat has certainly made its presence known, and I feel as though it's all I ever talk about in these newsletters at the moment. But despite the soaring temperatures, our children and staff have shown their usual resilience, positivity and determination. Learning has continued brilliantly, classrooms have stayed purposeful, and the children have taken everything in their stride. They really are remarkable.

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTFA and to everyone who came along to our Summer Fair last weekend. It was an absolutely fantastic event - full of energy, colour, laughter and community spirit. These events don't just happen; they take hours of planning, organising and sheer hard work behind the scenes. We are incredibly grateful to the PTFA team for everything they do to support the school, and to all of you who joined us and helped make it such a success.

This Sunday, our Engineering Club members will be heading to Goodwood for the Greenpower Championships. They have worked so hard all year; designing, building, refining and practising with their car; and they should feel immensely proud of what they've achieved. We wish them the very best of luck for the event. It promises to be another brilliant day for the team and big thank you to Mr Oliver and Mr Wisbey for giving up their Sunday, along with the parents' that get up incredibly early on a Sunday to get there in time – Engineering Club truly is a whole family commitment!

Across the school, there's a real sense of excitement building for next year. With classes now finalised, children have been chatting eagerly about what's to come - new classrooms, new routines, new opportunities. It's lovely to see their enthusiasm and confidence as they look ahead.

Next week we have our Transition Morning, which is always a highlight of the summer term. Children will spend time in their new classes, getting to know their new teachers and beginning to imagine the year ahead. Mr Brinicombe will also be in school that day, and he'll be joining me on the playground first thing in the morning to meet families and say hello.

Hopefully our re-scheduled Sports Day on Monday afternoon will be another exciting event in the calendar of our final few weeks together. Let's hope the various forecasts are accurate and it really is around 20°C.

Thank you, as always, for your support, your kindness and your partnership. Despite the heat, it's been another fabulous week at St Margaret's, and I hope you all enjoy a restful, if rainy, weekend.

Craig Ward - Headteacher

No Celebration Assemblies

Due to the following events taking place we will not be holding Celebration Assemblies on these dates:

- 3rd July** - Hedgehogs Family Assembly
- 10th July** - Rocksteady Music Concert

Our focus school value this term:

Respect & tolerance

Whole School Attendance

22/06/26 – 26/06/26

94.7%

01/09/25 - 26/06/26

96.2%





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Sports Day



Date : **Monday, 29th June 2026**

Time : **1pm**

Where: **Sports Field**

All children will change into their PE kits and coloured House T-shirts for the afternoon. Please remember, at this time of year, sun hats, water bottles and sun screen are essential. We look forward to seeing all of the children in their coloured House team T-shirts and to welcoming you as supporters.

Gates to the top field will open at 12:45pm, no need to report at the office.

Star Awards



w/e 26th June 2026

Hedgehogs – Adam

Rabbits – George

Squirrels – All of Squirrels Class

Badgers – Reggie-Joe, Primrose & Wilf

Woodpeckers – Grace

Owls – Oliver & Charlie

Music Lessons

Would your child like to learn a musical instrument? Make Time for Music are now accepting new applications for Guitar, Piano or Woodwind lessons starting this September! To find out more and to secure a space for the new term, please see the flyer sent home by parentmail earlier this week or visit maketimeformusic.org.



Lunch Menu: Week 2

w/c Monday, 29th 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)

The Week Ahead

Week commencing 29th June 2026

Monday, 29th June

- **Sports Day 1pm start on sports field**

Tuesday, 30th June

- **Squirrels Class Swimming** - please remember swimming kit/towel, etc.
- **Summer Cup Event** – selected pupils
- **Badgers Class trip** – see letter for details

Wednesday, 1st July

- **Kent Test Registration deadline for Year 5 pupils**

Thursday, 2nd July

- **'Meet The Teacher'** classes move up to meet their new teacher for September
- **Induction 'Meet the Teacher' session in Hedgehogs Class** for new pupils starting September 2026

Friday, 3rd July

- **No 'Celebration Assembly'**
- **3:15pm PTFA selling freeze pops in the gazebo after school**



PTFA NEWS

SUMMER FAIR

THANK YOU FOR
A WONDERFUL
SUMMER FAIR!

WE RAISED AN AMAZING
£1650

A huge thank you to everyone who came along
and supported our Summer Fair.

We are incredibly grateful to all the volunteers who
gave their time to help run stalls and activities, and
to everyone who generously donated prizes. Your
support made the event such a success.

Thank you all for making it such a memorable day!

PTFA



Participate Together, raise Pounds and Add value
Charity Reg No: 11879322

Community Noticeboard



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 **Pawspport** 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



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

Sing and Sign Southeast Kent



Helping babies communicate before speech

For babies from
6 months



BOOK A TASTER



FIND A CLASS

Wednesdays – 10:00–11:00
Dymchurch Scout Hut, Dymchurch

Thursdays – 10:00–11:00
St Radigunds Community Centre, Dover

Fridays – 10:00–11:00
Grace Taylor Hall, Folkestone

Fun, interactive and relaxed baby classes
teaching signing through music

sarahdouglas@singandsign.co.uk @singandsignsoutheastkent
Sarah – 07845 652 022 @singandsignsoutheastkent

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.



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Western Heights preservation Society



DONATE TO THE WORK OF THE
SOCIETY VIA OUR GOFUNDME



WESTERN HEIGHTS
Preservation Society

Community Noticeboard



DSC SUMMER SPECTACULAR 2026
ACTIVE. FUN. UNFORGETTABLE.

WEEK 1	WEEK 2	WEEK 3
Wednesday 22 July Deal Football	Monday 27 July Deal Gymnastics	Monday 3 August Dover Dodgeball
Wednesday 22 July Deal Gymnastics	Monday 27 July Dover Forest School	Tuesday 4 August Deal Active Kids
Thursday 23 July Deal Active Kids	Tuesday 28 July Dover Dodgeball	Wednesday 5 August Dover Forest School
Friday 24 July Dover Dodgeball	Wednesday 29 July Deal Active Kids	Thursday 6 August Deal Football
	Thursday 30 July Deal Football	Friday 7 August Deal Football
	Friday 31 July Dover Dodgeball	

WEEK 4	WEEK 5	WEEK 6
Monday 10 August Deal Active Kids	Monday 17 August Deal Football	Monday 24 August Deal Active Kids
Tuesday 11 August Deal Football	Tuesday 18 August Deal Football	Tuesday 25 August Deal Gymnastics
Wednesday 12 August Deal Football	Wednesday 19 August Deal Active Kids	Tuesday 25 August Deal Football
Thursday 13 August Dover Dodgeball	Wednesday 19 August Kwik Cricket	Wednesday 26 August Deal Football
Friday 14 August Deal Gymnastics	Thursday 20 August Dover Forest School	Thursday 27 August Dover Forest School
	Friday 21 August Deal Gymnastics	Friday 28 August Dover Dodgeball

CHILDREN IN YEAR R-6 | **ALL CAMPS 10.00AM-3.00PM** | **SAFE, SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT** | **BUILD CONFIDENCE & NEW FRIENDSHIPS**

SPACES LIMITED! BOOK NOW!

www.dynamic-sports-coaching.com

unique discount code for St Margaret's-at-Cliffe Primary School - **STMAGS10**



Little Explorers NURSERY SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB
FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

22ND JULY – FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST

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

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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