

Newsletter 4



Learning God's Way

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16th November 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after the Autumn half term break. I hope you had a restful week.

A few notices for you ...

Building work update

We are approaching the last month of our building work on the new Tomlin Centre. Reinstatement of pathways and access will mean that there will be a traffic management system (temporary traffic lights) in place from 20th November for 2 weeks. Please consider this when planning your school journey. May I also ask, following several letters of complaint from local residents, to park considerately in the roads around the school. Please do not block/partially block drives etc as relationships and respectful parking are really important for the reputation of the school.



Remembrance Sunday

A big well done to Gabriel and Lucy who represented the school at the village act of Remembrance on Sunday. Many thanks to the parents who also attended our school act of Remembrance on Friday last week. There will shortly be a brief video of this event on our website if you would like to watch the children behaving so well at this important event.

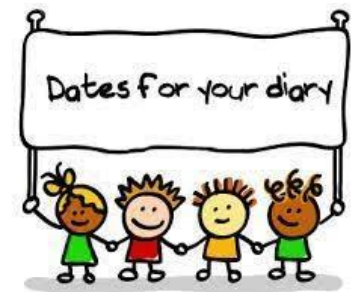
Could you provide a child with disabilities overnight care in your own home for a minimum of 2 nights a month? Become a short breaks foster carer!

Open your heart and home for 2 nights a month, and help a child with disabilities to experience different activities, make new friends and develop their independence. West Sussex County Council needs more caring individuals to support full-time foster carers and children's birth families, giving children a change to broaden their horizons and have fun. In return, you will receive competitive pay of up to £6,850 a year (for 24 nights), as well as ongoing training and a wealth of specialist support. Give the friendly Fostering Recruitment team a call on 0330 222 7775 or visit the website for more information

Drop off and collection times

Our drop off and pick up points changed during Covid. The building work that started shortly after meant we kept the same arrangements. Once the building work is complete, access to school will be much easier and we will be writing to you in due course with details of any new arrangements.

Items highlighted in red are new or amended dates



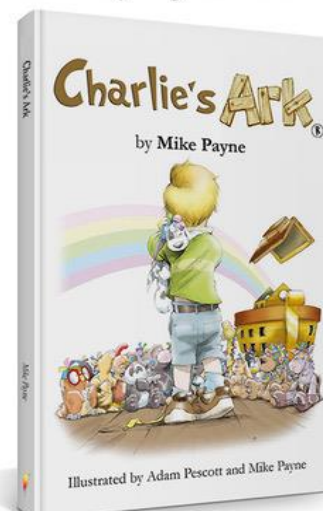
DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – Autumn Term 2023

Date	Time	Event
Wednesday 22 nd November	6.00pm	Year 4 Dalesdown Residential parents' meeting
Thursday 30 th November	am	Panto performing at school
Saturday 2 nd December		PTA Christmas Event – Breakfast with Santa
Monday 4th December	All day	Wear a santa hat or Christmas hair accessory to school if you wish to
Wednesday 6th December		Visit from a local author, Mike Payne, reading from his latest book "Charlie's Ark"
Thursday 7 th December	All day	Christmas Jumper Day
	4pm – 6pm	PTA Film Night – Tickets available from the school office from tomorrow (Friday 17th November)
Friday 8th December	12.30pm – 1.00pm	"Charity Fundraising" by some groups of children in Year 5 – in a year 5 classroom
Monday 11 th December	9.15am	Years 4, 5 and 6 Church Service at St Margaret's Church (Parents invited to attend)
	10.00am	Years 1, 2 and 3 Church Service at St Margaret's Church (Parents invited to attend)
	1.30pm	Year 1 and 2 Christmas play dress rehearsal to ½ school
Tuesday 12 th December	9.30am	Year 1 and 2 Christmas play dress rehearsal to ½ school
	1.30pm	Year 1 and 2 Christmas play to parents and carers
Wednesday 13 th December	9.30am	Year 1 and 2 Christmas play to parents and carers
	12.00 – 1.00pm	Chartwells Christmas Lunch (pre-ordered on ParentPay by 30th November)
	2.30pm	EYFS Christmas Nativity to parents
	6.00pm	Carol Service outside weather permitting
Thursday 14 th December	Pm	Christmas parties in classes
Friday 15 th December		Last Day of School

First day back after Christmas is Tuesday 2nd January 2024

We have Mike Payne, a local author, joining us to read from his new book, "Charlie's Ark" on Wednesday 6th December. Books can be ordered on Amazon

The book young children have been waiting for is now here!



Order on Amazon NOW!

"Charlie's Ark" is a collection of stories about a five year old boy and his toy box ark which contain many animals which magically come to life when he whispers a "Word-spell". Engaging, charming and a moral within every story together with beautiful illustrations, this book is a delight.

Created and written by award winning artist **Mike Payne** who is also the creator and original artist of the grey, blue-nosed bear "Tatty Teddy"

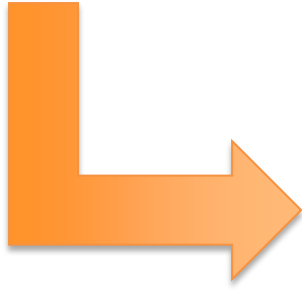


"Classics, children's classics in particular, endure because a child's soul inherently recognizes a connection an adult only faintly remembers. Story telling is an art. Story writing is a craft. What has been collectively accomplished here is the gem at the pinnacle of the creative crown - inspiration. May 'Charlie's Ark' join the classics of yore to be loved by legions of children as yet unborn and generations beyond that. Magic has been created here."
Mary Jane, New Orleans USA

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St Margaret's Church



Dates
for your



REMAINING INSET Days

May I remind you that the school is closed for staff training on

Monday 19th February 2024

Monday 22nd July 2024

Tuesday 23rd July 2024

Celebrating The Birth of Jesus

Join us for one or more of
our celebrations this festive season



Panto: A Lad In A Manger
(book your tickets via our website)
Saturday 9th Dec, 2:00pm & 7:00pm

Family Carol Service
Sunday 17th Dec, 10.00am

Traditional Carol Service
Sunday 17th Dec 3.30pm & 6.00pm

Christingle
Sunday 24th Dec,
2.30pm & 4.30pm

Midnight Communion
Sunday 24th Dec, 11.15pm

Christmas Day
Monday 25th Dec, 10am

www.stmargaretsangmering.church

SHARING GOD'S LOVE



After School Clubs

If your child has committed to attending an afterschool club they will be expected to attend each week. No club will be cancelled due to bad weather. Please note we will not ring home during the day if your child decides that they do not want to attend.

Please note!

Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a Pastoral and Safeguarding Manager to start January 2024. If you are interested in applying, please see our website for further information.
Closing date 29th November 2023

Sign up for the Christmas Meal on Wednesday 13th December with Chartwells via ParentPay no later than 30th November. If you don't have an activation code for ParentPay please contact the school office

Merry Christmas

Join our festive lunch by ordering on ParentPay for

.....Wednesday 13th December.....

MAINS
Roast Turkey in Gravy,
Or
Quorn Roast in Gravy

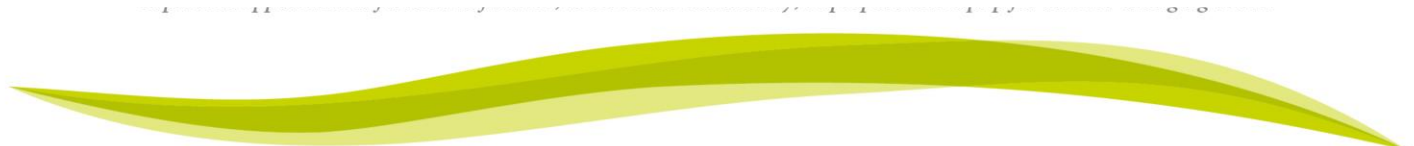
SIDES
Roast Potatoes, Mini Sausage, Stuffing,
Carrots and Cabbage

DESSERT
Snowy Cupcake

Scan QR code to order, no later than Thursday 30th November!
*Special diets will remain in place.



Yours sincerely
Mike Jee
Headteacher



PTA Event – Years 4 – 6 Only

07
DEC

6
PM

Christmas MOVIE NIGHT

[£3 PER CHILD
YEAR 4, 5 & 6
INCLUDES POPCORN,
DRINKS AND SWEETS]

Buy tickets at the school office



ESCAPE THE ORDINARY
GO OUT OF BOUNDS!

ACTIVITIES OFFERS PARTIES TIMES & PRICES

£16.50
PER PARTICIPANT
NO CHARGE FOR
ACCOMPANYING
GUEST

SEND FRIENDLY CHRISTMAS EVENT

CLIP 'N CLIMB TEN PIN BOWLING SOFT PLAY

FRIDAY 22ND DECEMBER

5:00 - 7:30 PM

WE ARE HOLDING AN EXCLUSIVE OPEN ACTIVITY
EVENT FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL EDUCATION
NEEDS AND DISABILITIES.

FAMILIES AND SIBLINGS WELCOME TO JOIN.
CAFÉ OPEN FOR HOT AND COLD FOOD, SNACKS,
DRINKS, HOT CHOCOLATE AND MORE!

FULL DETAILS CAN BE SEEN ON OUR WEBSITE.

[CLICK HERE TO BOOK](#)



TERMS AND CONDITIONS APPLY. PLEASE SEE WEBSITE.

CHOOSE YOUR FUN AT OUR AWARD WINNING ACTIVITY CENTRE



WWW.OUT-OF-BOUNDS.CO.UK

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info@out-of-bounds.co.uk

PTA Event – Years R – 3 Only



BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Enjoy Breakfast Followed By A Story With Santa

SATURDAY
DECEMBER 2ND
ST MARGARET'S SCHOOL
BOOK YOUR SLOT 09:00AM -
11:00AM



Ticket: £5 per child
TICKET INCLUDES: INDIVIDUAL BREAKFAST BAG,
STORY WITH SANTA AND GIFT, TEA AND COFFEE FOR
THE GROWN UPS

BOOK YOUR SLOT IN THE SCHOOL OFFICE,
LIMITED SPACES AVAILABLE, OPEN TO YR
- Y3



Five reasons to talk about money!!!

Talk Money Week: 6-10 November 2023

From generational values to feeling embarrassed to just being British, there are all sorts of reasons why we don't like talking about money. But being open about our finances can make a difference to a whole range of areas in our lives.

The Money and Pensions Service's annual Talk Money Week is taking place in November. To mark the occasion, we want to share five reasons why it's worth taking the plunge to talk about money with your partner, children, friends and wider family.

It lowers stress levels

Speaking about a problem can help to lift a weight off your mind because you're no longer carrying the burden all by yourself. This certainly applies when it comes to money troubles. What may appear to be a huge obstacle often feels more achievable once you've shared your concerns with a trusted friend or family member and received their encouragement.

It strengthens relationships

Keeping money troubles secret from your other half or someone you share financial responsibilities with can be damaging to your relationship. On the other hand, sharing openly as soon as things become a problem helps to build trust and unity as you can tackle it together.

It helps you access support

Discussing money worries can help you find out where there is free help available in your local community, as others share what they know. If you're struggling in debt or need support with managing your money, visit moneyhelper.org.uk or see capuk.org to find out more about the face-to-face services Christians Against Poverty (CAP) offers.

It makes you more financially resilient

Having regular conversations about money can help you stay focused on your financial goals and gain useful skills from others. This can help you to increase your savings, reduce debt and bounce back more easily after any financial knocks.

It can impact future generations

There's so much power in speaking with your children or other young people in your family about money. Share your experiences and empower them to feel confident in managing their money. Apps like GoHenry are a useful tool to teach kids practical money management skills that they will inevitably use when they're older.

Christians Against Poverty (CAP) is a UK charity working with over 800 affiliated churches to deliver debt help, budgeting guidance, support to find work, life skills education and more. Visit capuk.org or stmargaretsangnering.church/36/Christians-Against-Poverty to find out more.

NEW! DANCE AND THEATRE CLASSES



AGES - 4 -11

Musical theatre classes : Learning the three fundamentals singing ,dancing and acting.

Dance classes : Learning different styles of dance such as lyrical, street, Jazz and many more.

Show class : Working towards a chosen show to perform incorporating skills learnt in class.

**CLASSES:
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY
AND FRIDAYS**

MINIS - 16:30-17:15

JUNIORS - 17:30 - 18:15

**FIRST
SESSION
FREE**

REGISTER HERE:

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KIDS.IO/TERM/157](https://activ8.classfor-kids.io/term/157)



**St Margarets Dance Studio,
Arundel Road, Littlehampton BN16 4LP**

Training

Autumn 2023
(2nd half-term)

Reaching Families offer a range of free training courses and workshops to parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex



Training Courses and Workshops

November

Making Sense of Wellbeing - How to manage your anxiety	Tuesday 7th	7.30pm
Understanding Autism in Girls	Friday 10th	10.30am
Making Sense of Challenging Behaviour in Adolescence (11 Years +)	Monday 13th	7.30pm
Making Sense of Education, Health & Care Needs Assessments & Plans	Thursday 16th	10.30am
Making Sense of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)	Thursday 16th	7.30pm
Understanding ADHD	Tuesday 21st	7.30pm
Understanding Demand Avoidance	Thursday 23rd	10.30am
Understanding Decision Making for Your Child (welfare and finances)	Monday 27th	7.30pm
Making Sense of Anxiety in Children (Primary age)	Tuesday 28th	7.30pm
Making Sense of Annual Reviews	Thursday 30th	10.30am

December

Making Sense of Wellbeing - Self Care and Managing Stress	Tuesday 5th	10.30am
Making Sense of Universal Credit	Wednesday 6th	10.30am

The SEND Foundation Course

An introduction to SEND and the key issues parents and carers will encounter as their children grow and develop.

Dates: 15th Nov / 22nd Nov / 29th Nov (3 part course) **Wednesdays 7.30pm to 9.30pm**

All training above will be delivered via Zoom



SCAN ME

All our workshops are free of charge, for more information or to book a place, please visit our Eventbrite page or scan the QR code.

<https://reachingfamilies.eventbrite.com>

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