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Newsletter 4



Learning God's Way

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We have finally come to the end of a very busy term with the usual twist and turns that we have become accustomed to!

Hopefully the Christmas break will enable children, staff and families to relax and keep well over this challenging time.



Thank you

A big thank you to everybody who has helped out at school in so many ways whether it be with Forest School or hearing readers or helping in a host of ways – we really do appreciate your support in helping the children.

Parents' Forum

It is really important to us to hear parents' views as this helps us to shape policies and practice to support children in many ways. Our previous Parents' Forums have been online and have been really well attended. The purpose of meeting as many parents as possible is to inform you of developments and initiatives and to hear your views and have Q and A to clarify any matters.

Please make a date in your diary to join us on **Thursday 27**th **January 2022 at 7.00pm**. An email with a zoom password and login will be sent during that week.





Dogs

Please be mindful of your dog whilst on the school pick up and drop off.
Unfortunately we can't welcome dogs on to the school premises but understand that many of you use this opportunity to give your dog a walk. Please be mindful of those children and adults who are wary of dogs.



INSET Days

The school is closed for staff training on Tuesday 4th January 2022,
Monday 24th January and Monday
14th March 2022.
Please note the school is shut on two dates in January 2022.

Uniform

A big thank you to all those children who wear their uniform with pride and look smart every morning. In the New Year we will be placing a greater emphasis on our uniform and encouraging children to wear our school ties and jumpers and in particular to have appropriate footwear for school.

Please see the uniform list for the spring term on our website under Parent Information/Useful Information for Parents/Uniform. Uniform can be ordered using Brigade (details on our website)



Attendance

We are fully aware that attendance has been a challenge for many this term and thank you for your patience and understanding in keeping your child at home waiting for pcr test results. As you are aware we have had to be extremely cautious and have sent children home with coughs and temperatures as a way of keeping our school community as safe as possible.

To this end, rather than send out an individual attendance reports we would just like to thank you for your continued support in bringing your child to school during this challenging time.



We say 'farewell and thank you' to Mrs Collins who leaves St Margaret's after 11 years to take up her position as Deputy Head at a local school. I am sure you would like to join with me in wishing her every success.





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In this new once termly section we want to celebrate all the successes and kind acts of our children outside of school. If you have something you would like to share please email it to goodnews@stmargaretsprimary.org.uk

"Logan (yr 6) left his water bottle behind at Worthing Hockey Club on Saturday. Oliver (Ash Class) picked it up and recognised it as Logan's, and asked if we could take it to him. I asked Oliver if he wanted to take it later, as Logan wasn't back at home yet, but Oliver insisted on taking it straight away. We dropped it off on our way home, and left it on Logan's doorstep so he would find it. Logan's mummy sent me a message to thank Oliver, and said that Logan was very happy to have it back"

Such a kind act, Oliver!

Arlo (Lewes class) recently got his 2000 metre swimming badge. He's very proud



Well done Arlo!



Rudy (Maple class) was awarded his Gymnastics Core 8 Proficiency Award at his gymnastics club outside school. He is so proud and looking forward to joining Team GB in 2036!

Great Work Rudy!



Reading is the key to education. Please take opportunities over Christmas to read with your child, share stories and listen to your child read. All children should be taking books home from school. Continuing to read through the holidays will be a huge benefit to your child.

Photo comp

A Reminder

Use the two weeks to get out and about with your children and take photos as part of our school photo competition.

Remember we are looking for photos which reflect our school values of love, kindness, resilience, teamwork, friendship and respect. No obvious faces of anyone please.



We are lucky to have a helpful staff family here at St Margaret's who often go above and beyond to help when they can. However, we would like to send a polite reminder that any school matters or questions, please only email staff at their school email addresses and not via personal message apps/ social media profiles to respect their work life balance and privacy. If in doubt, you can always email the school office at school@stmargaretsprimary.org.uk

And finally...

On behalf of the staff may I wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas and a wonderful New Year. We look forward to seeing the children return to school on **Wednesday 5th January 2022**.

Yours sincerely, Mike Jee Headteacher



"And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people." – Luke 2:10

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