



Loving God ~ Serving others ~ Fulfilling our potential

Monday 8th November 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

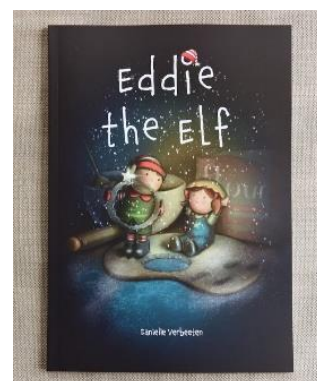
It was lovely to see all the children back at school last week. I think a few of them were feeling the double effects of being back at school and the hour difference! I'm sure this weekend has meant they have caught up on some sleep.



Children are able to buy a poppy at school this week. Unfortunately there weren't enough supplies of all the 'extra poppy themed' items that we often sell in school, so we just have the traditional poppy this year. There are a few reflective poppies, but I'm sure they will go quickly. Children can come to the office in their break times to buy one. Suggested donation is 50p for the traditional paper poppy and £1.00 for the reflective poppy.

Please don't forget that we have an author visiting our school most days this week and it is someone we know!

Mrs Verbeeten has written 'Eddie the Elf' and the book will be for sale on Thursday 11th November in The Studio. Mrs Verbeeten will sign and dedicate the book to anyone for Christmas gifts. 10% from every sale will be going towards the school. If you wish to order from the on line shop instead go to www.danielleverbeeten.co.uk please use the school code 'STMARGS' and money will also be donated. Please put your child's name and year after the code so she can manage getting your orders to you.



Next week is Anti Bullying week and the children can wear odd socks on Monday 15th November. It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week! There is no need to donate, it is just about recognising and celebrating the fact that we are all different.

Book of Brilliance



Every week we are celebrating children who have shown wonderful manners, have helped another child or an adult, have demonstrated our values or another reason that has really impressed an adult in school. All adults can write any child's name in the 'Book of Brilliance' during the week and then the names are read out every week in worship.

Well done to you all.

Golden Leaf and Leaf certificates



Well done to the children who were awarded a Leaf certificate during our Friday Leaf Worship.

For the first time we celebrated both Butterfly and Ladybird Class coming to worship for the first time. Both classes were awarded a leaf for the whole class.
Well done to you all.

250 House points



Well done to these children who have already worked incredibly hard to accumulate 250 house points already! Keep it up for the 500, 750 or 1,000 House Point certificate!

Attendance



School attendance is very important to us at St Margaret's. Please remember to let the school office know if your child is not coming into school. Please do not use Seesaw to report an absence.

This is the latest NHS guidance about coronavirus.

Please do not use a lateral flow test on your children if you think they have symptoms of Covid. They need to have a PCR test.

The main symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

What to do if your child has symptoms

If your child has any of the main symptoms of COVID-19, even if they're mild:

1. Get a PCR test (test that is sent to a lab) to check if they have COVID-19 as soon as possible.
2. Your child should stay at home and not have visitors (self-isolate) until you get the test result – they can only leave home to have the test. [Check if you and anyone else your child lives with need to self-isolate.](#)

Reception	Butterfly	95.98
	Ladybird	97.77
Year 1	Hedgehog	97.18
	Squirrel	87.07
Year 2	Badger	91.67
	Fox	95.55
Year 3	Chaffinch	98.39
	Robin	96.77
Year 4	Swallow	93.23
	Swift	100.00
Year 5	Heron	95.00
	Kingfisher	97.50
Year 6	Owl	98.39
	Woodpecker	98.28

**Well done to Swift
Class for having the
highest attendance
last week...
100%
You can't do any
better!**

Overall School Attendance: 96.03%

Diary Dates

Please keep checking these dates and times as I will update them every week. New dates added are in bold. I will try to give you as much notice as possible about forthcoming events at school. We will try not to change dates and times, but sometimes we do need to due to circumstances beyond our control.

Monday 8 th November	Hedgehog Class start Forest School: 8 th , 15 th & 22 nd November Mrs Verbeeten, in all week, to share her book 'Eddie the Elf'.
Wednesday 10 th November	Year 4 to Cineworld
Thursday 11 th November	Mrs Verbeeten, in The Studio selling her book 'Eddie the Elf' after school until 4.00pm
Monday 15th-Friday 19th November	Anti-Bullying Week Odd Socks Day on Monday 15th November
Friday 19 th November	Children In Need Day The school council have decided that children can wear Spot and Stripes for a suggested £1 donation.
Tuesday 23 rd November	Year 3 to Cineworld
Wednesday 24 th November	Year 5 & 6 to Cineworld
Friday 26 th November	Children wear their own clothes for a donation for Elfridges or a £1 donation. Wreath making evening 7.00pm
Monday 29 th November	Squirrel Class start Forest School: 29 th Nov, 6 th & 13 th Dec
Thursday 2 nd December	Stone Age Day Portals-Year 3 Woodpecker Class start Forest School for 3 weeks: 2 nd , 9 th & 16 th December
Monday 6 th December	Last swimming session for Swift Class
Friday 10 th December	Elfridges at school
Friday 17 th December	Last day of Autumn term
Tuesday 4 th January 2022	First day of Spring term
Monday 10 th January	Swallow Class start swimming for 10 weeks
Saturday 15 th January 2022	Last day to apply for a Reception school place
Monday 21 st - 25 th Feb 2022	Half term
Monday 28 th February 2022	Inset Day 4
Monday 28 th March	Last swimming session for Swallow Class
Monday 4 th April	Fox Class start swimming
Friday 8 th April 2022	Last day of Spring term
Monday 25 th April 2022	First day of Summer term
Monday 30 th -3 rd June 2022	Half term
Monday 6 th June	Last swimming session for Fox Class
Monday 13 th June	Badger Class start swimming
Friday 1 st July 2022 TBC	Inset Day 5
Wednesday 6 th July-Friday 8 th July	Year 4 residential to High Ashurst
Monday 18 th July	Last swimming session for Badger Class
Thursday 21 st July 2022	Last day of term

Stay safe and take care.

Thank you for your continuing support.

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Headteacher