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Monday 13th December 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I can't quite believe it is the last week of term. Thank you for all your support this term. It has been another challenging term at times with the ongoing Covid pandemic, but I think as a school community we have all pulled together to ensure the children feel happy and confident about being school. I have to say a huge thank you to the amazing staff who have really pulled together to ensure that we didn't have to close any year groups. I think everyone is in need of a good rest now!

I hope you all have a peaceful and relaxing time with your loved ones this Christmas.



The children looked so colourful in their Christmas jumpers on Friday. Thank you for supporting Save the Children. We raised £210

If you have a Christmas jumper that doesn't fit your child anymore could you donate it to us so that we can offer children one if needed? Thank you.

Elfridges was great fun on Friday afternoon. There were some lovely presents that the children bought for their family. Thank you to the PTFA for organising this wonderful event and to all the volunteers who helped to wrap. I think everyone had fun on Friday!

Party time!

On Wednesday morning all classes will be having their party followed by a virtual online pantomime for all

children. Children can wear party clothes, but please don't send children in wearing fancy dress costumes and or onesies!

Parking

I'm sorry to say that yet again some parents have been incredibly rude and abusive to the residents in Millfield Court. No one from St Margaret's should park in Millfield Court. It is for residents only. Mr Leicester will now patrol this area before school so we can monitor this situation. Please can I ask again that parents do not park in Millfield Court or across any garages, driveways in the local area and please can everyone park with due care and consideration for others. Thank you.

We are hoping that a very special visitor might be able to visit our school on Thursday afternoon. I'm hoping that we are on the list and that a quick pit stop, outside of course, is scheduled. Let's wait and see...

Books and Book Bags

Can you please ensure that books sent home from school are kept clean and dry? We have had a number of books returned that have been damaged and will need replacing. The books cost £4.50 each to replace. If you need a book bag please contact www.taylormadeuniforms.co.uk. Book bags are for books only and drinks/fruit snacks need to be in a separate bag. Thank you.

Girl's football

We have received notification that girls from Reception to Year 4 Girls are needed for a football club. Please click on the link for more details.

<https://www.facebook.com/cmpanthersfc/posts/312816564181229>

Mr MC writes:

Throughout the Autumn term, we have been hosting our own Times Table Rockstars competition. This simply involved the children arriving at school promptly so they could enjoy racking up their own scores to assist the entire class. Well, the event finally ended on December 10th and the top three classes are below. A huge well done to EVERY child who took part and persevered each and every day!

Some TTRockstars prizes were awarded to every member of Heron class on Friday.

Many congratulations!

The next tournament will begin in early January...

Rock on!



The Reindeer Run was great fun. We raised £271.00
Thank you for your donations.



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. There are 2 weeks to celebrate this week as I didn't update the names last week. Sorry.

Well done to you all.

Termly Parents Meetings

Early next term we will be holding meetings for you to hear about how you can support your child's learning. They will be held either at morning drop off or just before end of school pick up.

The teachers will share the learning for the term and any key dates that you will need to know. We would ask that you come to the time and date that is for your child's class, but if you can't make that one then please attend the other classes. We really want to ensure there is a safe environment for everyone, so that is why the meetings are being held twice.

Don't worry if you can't make a meeting as all the information will be posted on Seesaw.

Reception Hall	Butterfly Class 2.45pm Wednesday 5 th January	Ladybird Class 2.45pm Wednesday 12 th January
Year 1 The Studio	Hedgehog Class 2.45pm Thursday 6 th January	Squirrel Class 2.45pm Thursday 13 th January
Year 2 Hall	Badger Class 2.45pm Thursday 6 th January	Fox Class 2.45pm Thursday 13 th January
Year 3 Hall	Chaffinch Class 2.45pm Tuesday 4 th January	Robin 2.45pm Tuesday 11 th January
Year 4 The Studio	Swallow Class 2.45pm Tuesday 4 th January	Swift Class 2.45pm Tuesday 11 th January
Year 5 Hall	Heron Class 8.45am Thursday 6 th January	Kingfisher Class 8.45am Thursday 13 th January
Year 6 The Studio	Owl Class 2.45pm Wednesday 5 th January	Woodpecker Class 2.45pm Wednesday 12 th January

Attendance



School attendance is very important to us at St Margaret's.

We know that a child's attendance has a direct impact on their learning. Children who are regularly absent from school and are regularly late do not achieve their potential and fall behind in class. Please support the school in this by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and arrives ready to learn and on time by 8.50am every day.

Attendance matters! It is important that your child gets to school on time and aims for 100% attendance!



Reception	Butterfly	98.97
	Ladybird	95.99
Year 1	Hedgehog	94.26
	Squirrel	97.84
Year 2	Badger	94.00
	Fox	87.86
Year 3	Chaffinch	92.58
	Robin	96.95
Year 4	Swallow	97.39
	Swift	98.74
Year 5	Heron	97.74
	Kingfisher	94.33
Year 6	Owl	97.57
	Woodpecker	97.12

Well done to Butterfly Class for having the highest attendance last week.

Overall School Attendance: 95.97%

House Points



I will publish the weekly house point totals in the newsletter from now on. I always share them with the children on our virtual worship, but I think you will also want to see how close these termly competitions are.

Blue	11,086
Red	11,945
Yellow	13,122
Green	13,589



250 House Points

Well done to all the children that achieved their 250 House Points sticker. Keep it up for the 500 House Point certificate!

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.

Tuesday 14th December	Golden Leaf worship and Golden afternoon tea
Wednesday 15th December	Christmas party morning Virtual Pantomime
Thursday 16th December	Classroom Disco, as we can't have a school disco Mr Ferrito, our resident DJ, will play some tunes and we will enjoy a Classroom Disco instead!
Friday 17 th December	Last day of Autumn term
Tuesday 4th January	First day of Spring term 2.45pm Chaffinch Parents meeting in the hall 2.45pm Swallow Parents meeting in the Studio
Wednesday 5th January	2.45pm Butterfly Parents meeting in the hall 2.45pm Owl Class Parents meeting in the Studio
Thursday 6th January	8.45pm Heron Parents meeting in the hall 2.45pm Hedgehog Parents meeting in the Studio 2.45pm Badger Parents meeting in the hall Heron Class start Forest School: 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th January
Monday 10 th January	Swallow Class start swimming for 10 weeks
Tuesday 11th January	2.45pm Robin Parents meeting in the hall 2.45pm Swift Parents meeting in the Studio
Wednesday 12th January	2.45pm Ladybird Parents meeting in the hall 2.45pm Woodpecker Class Parents meeting
Thursday 13th January	8.45pm Kingfisher Parents meeting in the hall 2.45pm Squirrel Parents meeting in the Studio

	2.45pm Fox Parents meeting in the hall Heron Class start Forest School: 6th , 13th , 20th & 27th January
Saturday 15 th January	Last day to apply for a Reception school place
Thursday 3rd February	Kingfisher Class start Forest School: 3rd , 10th & 17th February
Monday 21 st - 25 th Feb	Half term
Monday 28 th February	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	Last day of Spring term
Monday 25 th April	First day of Summer term
Monday 30 th - 3 rd June	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	Last day of term

Stay safe and take care.
Thank you for your continuing support.
Jill Hine
Headteacher

