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Monday 21st March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers



Thank you for the many cakes that you donated for the Red Nose Day and Unicef cake sale. We had so many cakes that we are selling more at break time today, so I can't give you a total figure for the money we raised, but it looks like it will be over £500 which is an amazing total. Thank you so much for your generosity.

I always knew that our children were very talented and Friday afternoon proved it! The School Council had asked for a talent show and we were treated to one act from each class. We had comedy, magic, singing, dancing and even science experiments. The School councillors were the judges and the show opened with Miss Edwards and a group of children from Heron Class singing 'We Don't Talk about Bruno'. It was a very special afternoon and I'm sure the children enjoyed it as much as all the staff did.

Thank you as well to Mrs Saunders Neate who organised the raffles and then was able to purchase many books for Year 2 and Year 6. Thank you to the many parents who bought raffle tickets.

Big Walk and Wheel

For the next 2 weeks we are going to take part in 'Big Walk and Wheel'. Please make sure you wear a bike helmet if you are on wheels.

There are lovely signs of spring at St Margaret's school. Mrs Walker took these photos in Forest School last week.



Staffing news

Mrs Ackroyd, having worked at St. Margaret's Nursery for over 12 years, has decided to take early retirement. Mrs Ackroyd has played a huge part in the success of our nursery and we are all very sorry to see her leave. On a very positive note, Mrs Ackroyd has agreed to occasionally cover as bank staff when she is not out enjoying herself!

Mrs Ackroyd will spend her last morning in Nursery on Thursday 31st March.



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 all the children that got their name into the Book of Brilliance.

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.

Green	24,176
Yellow	23,034
Red	19,475
Blue	19,706



250 House Points

Keep it up for the 500 House Point certificate!

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	90.34
	Ladybird	94.29
Year 1	Hedgehog	94.12
	Squirrel	96.00
Year 2	Badger	96.33
	Fox	94.29
Year 3	Chaffinch	97.42
	Robin	94.84
Year 4	Swallow	97.11
	Swift	96.25
Year 5	Heron	96.13
	Kingfisher	96.67
Year 6	Owl	98.71
	Woodpecker	98.62

Well done to Owl Class for having the highest attendance last week. It was very close though!

Well done to Year 6 who had the best attendance last week. 98.67%

Overall School Attendance: 95.80



Mrs Leicester writes:
On Thursday 21st March, Year 3 pupils participated in a Badminton Festival at K2. They were engaged all afternoon in learning new badminton skills. They were very well behaved and polite to all of the Sports Leaders from Thomas Bennett school. I was very impressed with the way they progressed throughout the event. Well done to the Year 3 children. Thank you, Year 3; I had a wonderful afternoon with you. Mrs Leicester

Mr Billy Marchant, SENDCo, and Mrs Claudia Leiscter, PE Coordinator write:

We've been bowled-over by Matt from Sussex Cricket, who came to teach us about table cricket this week. The children had fun learning the rules and scoring runs! Matt will be in school for 6 weeks to continue the table cricket learning fun. Howzat?!



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 21 st March-1 st April	Big Walk and Wheel - 2 weeks
Wednesday 23 rd March	Year 4 Djembe drumming and dance presentation to parents and carers 10.15am Swift Class 11.00am Swallow Class
Thursday 24 th March	Forest school-Woodpecker Class 3 weeks: 24, 31 April & 7 April
Monday 28 th March	Last swimming session for Swallow Class Dr Diane Davies, Archaeologist, with Year 6 all day.
Friday 1st April	PTFA Disco 3.20-4.15 Year R,1 & 2 4.30-5.30 Year 3,4, 5 & 6
Monday 4 th April	Fox Class start swimming
Thursday 7th April	Easter Services at St Margaret's Church 9.45am Year 3 & 4 10.30 Year 5 & 6
Friday 8 th April	Last day of Spring term
Thursday 24 th April	Forest school-Swallow Class 3 weeks: 28 April & 5 & 12 May
Monday 25 th April	First day of Summer term Forest school-Hedgehog Class 2 weeks: 25 April & 9 May
Thursday 5 th May	9.00am Year 2 Eucharist Service. Parents and carers are welcome to join us for this special service.
Monday 16 th May	Forest school-Squirrel Class 2 weeks: 16 & 23 May
Thursday 19 th May	Forest school-Swift Class 2 weeks: 19 & 26 May
Thursday 26th May	Year 3 to Wakehurst Place
Monday 30 th -3 rd June	Half term
Monday 6 th June	Last swimming session for Fox Class Forest school-Badger Class 3 weeks: 6, 13 & 20 June
Thursday 9 th June	Forest school-Heron Class 3 weeks: 9, 16 & 23 June
Monday 13 th June	Badger Class start swimming
Thursday 16 th June	9.00am Year 1 Eucharist Service. Parents and carers are welcome to join us for this special service.
Friday 17 th June	Sports Day-details nearer the time
Friday 24th June	Reserve Sports Day Reception to Sealife Centre
Monday 27 th June	Forest school-Fox Class 3 weeks: 27 June, 11 & 18 July
Thursday 30 th June	Forest school-Kingfisher Class 2 weeks: 30 June 7 & July
Friday 1 st July 2022	Inset Day 5
Wednesday 6 th -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

