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Monday 9th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you all enjoyed the sunshine this weekend. It sounds as if the weather is changing, so please ensure all children have a water bottle at school every day.

This week is Year 6 SATs week. These tests are not just based on Year 6 learning which is why we need all children to be in school every day whatever year group your child is in. The Year 6 children have been working very hard and we all know they will try their best.

Thank you to the PTFA for providing the fresh fruit for Year 6 on their test days and also to the parents who are coming in to prepare it and tidy away afterwards. Your help and support is much appreciated.

Parents, thank you for all your support and encouragement too. We know that you all want the best for your children and if you have any concerns about this week please speak to Ms Galley or Mr Mc.

Dropping off at school

Please can I remind everyone that the yellow zigzag lines outside school are not a 'drop off zone'. Please do not pull up on these and drop your children off. It is dangerous and it is causing a traffic issue in The Mardens. There is a large car park that you can use when bringing your children to school. This is a much safer option than opening up a car door in The Mardens. Thank you.

Ofsted

Thank you very much for the many positive comments that Ofsted received last week while we had our two-day school inspection. It will be some weeks before we receive the report, probably mid to late June, and as soon as we can, we will share it with you all. We cannot say any more about the Ofsted report as it is confidential, but thank you for all your good wishes. They were much appreciated by all the staff.

Family Grounds Morning-Saturday 21st May

If you are able to give up some time this morning it would be lovely to see you. Mr Chambers has sent out a message about this. Please have a chat with Mrs Winton or myself on the gates if you would like to offer to help or if you can donate any plants.

Leaf and Blossom Certificates



Congratulations to all the children who received a Leaf Certificate on Friday.

Well done to you all.

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 all the children who had their name in the book of Brilliance



Writing Award

Well done to all our children who received a writing award on Friday.

Reception	Butterfly	
	Ladybird	
Year 1	Hedgehog	
	Squirrel	
Year 2	Badger	
	Fox	
Year 3	Chaffinch	
	Robin	
Year 4	Swallow	
	Swift	
Year 5	Heron	
	Kingfisher	
Year 6	Owl	
	Woodpecker	



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!

Overall School Attendance: 92.63% (4 days)

Reception	Butterfly	87.93
	Ladybird	90.63
Year 1	Hedgehog	94.76
	Squirrel	91.67
Year 2	Badger	89.17
	Fox	92.86
Year 3	Chaffinch	94.76
	Robin	93.95
Year 4	Swallow	89.00
	Swift	93.75
Year 5	Heron	86.29
	Kingfisher	96.25
Year 6	Owl	91.13
	Woodpecker	99.17

**Well done to Woodpecker Class, for having the highest attendance for the third week running!
99.17% -brilliant!!**

**Well done to Year 6 who had the best attendance last week.
95.08%**

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	30,733
Yellow	30,051
Blue	26,133
Red	24,195



250 House Points

Well done to all the children that achieved their 250 House Points. 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.

Monday 16th May	Forest school- Badger Class 2 weeks: 16th May & 6th June
Thursday 19 th May	Forest school-Swift Class 2 weeks: 19 & 26 May
Saturday 21 st May	Grounds Morning.8.30-12.30 Families are welcome at school to help tidy and spruce up our grounds. Refreshments and biscuits provided.
Tuesday 24 th May	Happy Bag collection
Wednesday 25th May	Fox class swimming (instead of Monday 23rd May) This will be the last swimming session for Fox class.
Thursday 26 th May	Year 3 to Wakehurst Place
Monday 30 th -3 rd June	Half term
Monday 6th June	Forest school- Squirrel Class 2 weeks: 20th & 27th June NO SWIMMING
Thursday 9 th June	Forest school-Heron Class 3 weeks: 9, 16 & 23 June 6.00pm New Reception (September 2022 intake) parents meeting
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 24 th June	Reserve Sports Day Reception to Sealife Centre
Thursday 30 th June	Forest school-Kingfisher Class 2 weeks: 30 June 7 & July
Friday 1 st July 2022	Inset Day 5
Monday 4th July	Forest school-Fox Class 2 weeks: 4th & 11th July
Wednesday 6 th -Friday 8 th July	Year 4 residential to High Ashurst
Thursday 7 th July	Year 6 to Christ Hospital for Chichester Diocese Leavers Service Service starts at 10.45am
Monday 18 th July	Last swimming session for Badger Class
Thursday 21 st July	Last day of term 9.30 am Year 6 leavers service at St Margaret's Church
Thursday 1 st September	Inset Day 1
Friday 2 nd September	Autumn starts for Years 1-6 only
Monday 24 th -28 th October	Half term
Monday 31 st October	Inset Day 2
Friday 16 th December	Last day of Autumn term
Tuesday 3 rd January	First day of Spring term
Friday 10 th February 2023	Inset Day 3
Monday 5 th June 2023	Inset Day 4
Friday 7 th July 2023	Inset Day 5

Thank you for your continuing support.
Jill Hine, Headteacher