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Monday 10th October 2022

Dear Parents and Carers



We have such a busy start to the autumn term. Year 5 had a wonderful trip to Bough Beech. Mrs EB writes: On Tuesday 27th September, Year 5 visited Bough Beech Flow Zone in Edenbridge. We explored how water is treated from a reservoir and made safe enough for us to drink. The children walked through the tunnels underneath the reservoir and scaled the heights of the dam!

Overall, it was a fantastic trip! A big thank you to our volunteers Mrs Ayre, Mr Emery and Mrs Ross for joining us!



Staff changes

I am sure that many of you may already know that Mrs Wood is expecting another baby. Mrs Wood will be at school until she starts her maternity leave in late November.

I am also delighted to say that we have appointed Mr Busbridge as our premises officer. He will be starting with us after half term. I know you will all make him feel very welcome if you see him around the school premises.



Admission changes in Surrey

Surrey County Council is consulting on proposed changes to admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools for September 2024.

Full details of the consultation and the changes being proposed are available at Consultation on the admission arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools for September 2024 - Surrey County Council - Citizen Space (surreysays.co.uk).

Please see the notice board inside the school, by the nursery exit, for details of these changes.



Medals

Please see the Seesaw note from class teachers about how medals are awarded for reading. Three reads for a bronze medal and a silver for 5 reads. A gold medal is given for something special at each teacher's discretion.

Structured Conversations

Thank you to the many parents and carers who have already signed up. Please make sure you sign up this week. We all know that 10 minutes can fly by, so if you need a longer time to discuss your child this can easily be organised.

PTFA

Bingo

Thank you to the many parents who supported the Bingo on Friday night. A good time was had by all and special thanks to Mr Ferrito who was not only the Bingo caller, but was also a human gong!

Disco

Please buy the tickets through the PTFA site. <https://stmargaretspta.hoot.cloud/> School cannot sell tickets for either disco.

If your child is going to the disco on Friday and they are in Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 please send their disco clothes in a bag. They will change into them at school on Friday afternoon.

Collect your child at 4.15pm from outside their Reception, Year 1 or Year 2 classrooms as you would do normally after school.

Children who are coming to the KS2 disco do not need to arrive until 4.25 and should come to the main school entrance.

At 5.30 pm when you come to collect them please come to the main school entrance again and you will collect your child from the hall.

Children do not need to come with any money as there will be nothing to buy at the disco.

Leaf certificates



Well done to the children who were awarded a Leaf on Friday. Both reception classes will join us later on this term.
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 that got their name in the Book of Brilliance.

Attendance



School attendance is very important to us at St Margaret's. Every Friday the class with the best attendance for the week will have popcorn on Friday afternoon.

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: 92.13%

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| Reception | Butterfly | 85.33 |
| | Ladybird | 95.64 |
| Year 1 | Hedgehog | 92.81 |
| | Squirrel | 94.64 |
| Year 2 | Badger | 96.13 |
| | Fox | 92.33 |
| Year 3 | Chaffinch | 84.07 |
| | Robin | 97.59 |
| Year 4 | Swallow | 90.32 |
| | Swift | 96.45 |
| Year 5 | Heron | 93.60 |
| | Kingfisher | 93.04 |
| Year 6 | Owl | 99.35 |
| | Woodpecker | 93.87 |

Well done to Owl Class for the best class attendance last week.

99%!

Hope you all enjoy the popcorn

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

96.61%

Writing Award

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

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



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.

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| Monday 10 th October | Structured conversations -Year 6 only 3.35pm-5.35pm |
| Thursday 13 th October | Structured conversations -Year 6 only 3.35pm-6.55pm |
| Friday 14 th October | PTFA Discos-details to follow 3.15-4.15: Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 4.30-5.30: Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 |
| Monday 17 th October | Year 6 - Hindleap Warren for 4 nights, 5 days |
| Wednesday 19 th October | Structured conversations -Year Reception to 5 |
| Thursday 20th October | Year 5 - Planetarium Visit Structured conversations -Year Reception to 5 Coding day Year 3 |
| Monday 24 th -28 th October | Half term |
| Monday 31 st October | Inset Day 2 |
| Thursday 10 th November | 9.00am Year 6 Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 24 th November | 9.00am Year 5 Eucharist service. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Friday 2nd December | 2.30-3.00pm Open afternoon for all year groups |
| Monday 5 th December | 2.00pm Year 1 and 2 Nativity performance to school |
| Tuesday 6 th December | 9.30am Year 1 and 2 Nativity performance to parents and carers 2.30pm Year 1 and 2 Nativity performance to parents and carers |
| Wednesday 7 th December | 2.30pm Year 1 and 2 Nativity performance to parents and carers |
| Thursday 8 th December | 9.30pm Reception Nativity performance to school 2.30pm Reception Nativity performance to parents and carers |
| Friday 9 th December | 9.30pm Reception Nativity performance to parents and carers 1.00pm Elfridges 3.30-5.00 After school Book event- details to follow |
| Monday 12th December | Extra swimming session for Swift Class due to cancelled session for Queen's funeral |
| Tuesday 13 th December | 9.45am Christmas Carol Service at church for Year 3 and 4 10.30am Christmas Carol Service at church for Year 5 and 6 |
| Friday 16 th December | Last day of Autumn term |
| Tuesday 3 rd January | First day of Spring term |
| Thursday 12 th January | 9.00am Kingfisher Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 19 th January | 9.00am Heron Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 26 th January | 9.00am Swallow Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 2 nd February | 9.00am Swift Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 9 th February | 9.00am Year 4 Eucharist service. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Friday 10 th February 2023 | Inset Day 3 |
| Thursday 9 th March | 9.00am Year 3 Eucharist service. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 16 th March | 9.00am Chaffinch Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 23 rd March | 9.00am Robin Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 20 th April | 9.00am Badger Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 27 th April | 9.00am Fox Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 4 th May | 9.00am Year 2 Eucharist service .Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 18 th May | 9.00am Hedgehog Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 25 th May | 9.00am Squirrel Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Monday 5 th June 2023 | Inset Day 4 |
| Thursday 15 th June | 9.00am Year 1 Eucharist service Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Friday 16 th June | Sports Day |
| Thursday 22 nd June | 9.00am Butterfly Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Thursday 29 th March | 9.00am Ladybird Class worship. Parents and carers are welcome to join us. |
| Friday 30 th June | Reserve Sports Day |
| Friday 7 th July 2023 | Inset Day 5 |

Thank you for your continuing support.

Jill Hine

Headteacher

