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Monday 22nd January 2024

Dear Parents and Carers

What a wonderful time the Young Voices choir had at the O2 last Wednesday. We took a coach full of Year 5 and 6 children, who had been practising since early September, to sing with nearly 8,000 other children and then they performed to parents, carers and family members. It was such a memorable occasion. The singing was fabulous and we were treated to some street dancing that put a huge smile on all our faces and not forgetting a truly inspirational Nandi Bushell. A 13 year old girl playing the drums who has already played with The Foo Fighters and Lenny Kravitz. The whole concert really made a night to remember. Thank you to all the parents who came to watch, but a very special mention and thank you must go to Mrs McFarlane who has been another inspiration leading the choir. Thank you to Mr Bandara, Miss Ainsworth, Miss Budd and Mrs Laverty for joining in with all the fun and a very late night! Parents and carers, please don't forget to come to school for a shortened version of the concert at school on Tuesday afternoon.



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The outside gazebo is finished. We are delighted with this outside space and we know it will be well used. Just like all the equipment that is in the playground, please do not let your children use this area at the end of the school day. Thank you.



Please don't forget that there is a meeting with Mark Talbot, the CEO of DCAT, on Wednesday at 5.30pm at school. Mike Emery, our acting chair of governors will also be there along with myself. We will be able to answer any questions you may have.

Structured Conversations

Please sign up for your appointment. All meetings are at school just as they were in October. As always, children are welcome to come with you and if you need longer than 10 minutes we can organise this for a later date.

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 the O2 choir. Not only were you amazing with your singing and dance moves but staff from other schools also commented on your behaviour and your lovely manners.

Leaf awards

Well done to the children who were awarded a Leaf on Friday.

Well done to you all.



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	



Maths Awards

We are celebrating maths with certificates for the class that is the most accurate and the class that is the fastest. This week we also celebrated other maths stars.

Most accurate class	Robin Class again! 93.94%
Fastest class	Swallow Class 1.18 seconds



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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.

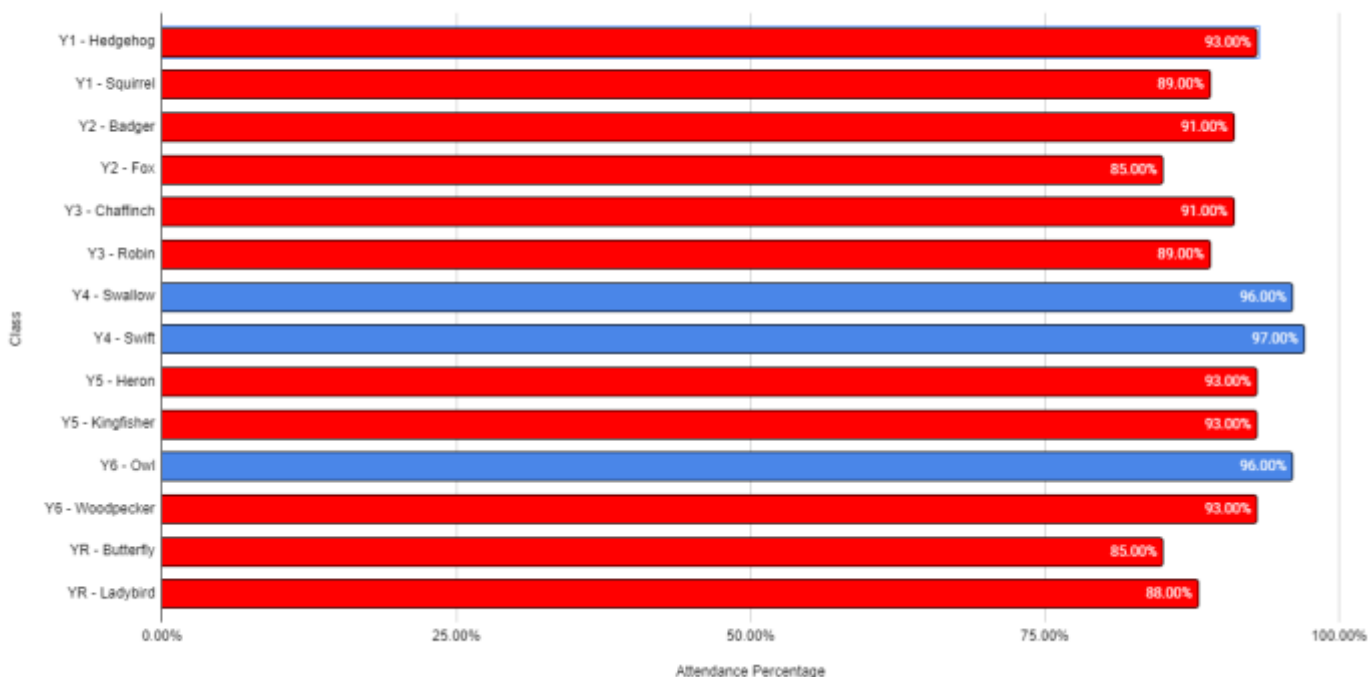
Attendance matters! It is important that your child gets to school on time and aims for 100% attendance!



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School attendance - 91.4%

Class Percentages



**Well done to Swift Class.
I hope you all enjoyed the popcorn.
97.00%.**

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 24th January	2.30pm Young Voices choir to parents and carers.
Wednesday 25th January	5.30pm DCAT consultation meeting with parents and carers in the school hall.
Friday 2 nd February	Year 5 Viking Workshop
Tuesday 6 th February	Year 3 Victorian Day. Crawley Museum in school. Structured conversations
Wednesday 7 th February	Structured conversations 9.00am Year 4 Swallow Class Worship Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child’s learning.



Thursday 8 th February	9.00am Year 4 Eucharist Service Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Monday 12 th to Friday 16 th Feb	Half Term
Thursday 14 th March	9.00am Year 3 Eucharist Service Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Thursday 21 st March	9.00am Year 1 Worship Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child's learning.
Wednesday 27 th March	9.00am Year 4 Swift Class Worship Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child's learning. Open afternoon and Art exhibition
Thursday 28 th March	Last day of the term
Monday 1 st to Friday 12 th April	Easter Holidays
Thursday 25 th April	9.00am Year 2 Worship Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child's learning.
Monday 6 th May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 16 th May	9.00am Year 3 Worship Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child's learning.
Thursday 23 rd May	9.00am Year 2 Eucharist Service Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Monday 27 th to Friday 31 st May	Half Term
Friday 14 th June	Sports day and family picnic
Thursday 20 th June	9.00am Year 1 Eucharist Service Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Thursday 27 th June	9.00am Reception Worship Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child's learning.
Friday 28 th June	Reserve Sports day and family picnic
Thursday 18 th July	Last day of term 9.30am Year 6 Leavers Service at St Margaret's church. Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Friday 19 th July 2024	INSET Day 3
Monday 22 nd July 2024	INSET Day 4
Tuesday 23 rd July 2024	INSET Day 5

Thank you for your continuing support.
Take care.
Jill Hine, Headteacher.

