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Dear Parents and Carers

I cannot believe that this is the last week before half term. The last 5 weeks have been very busy and packed with many exciting learning experiences and this forthcoming week is no exception. I hope you all have a lovely half term when it arrives and I hope we see the sun for some warmer weather too.

I, along with Mr Bandara and the Year 6 staff team, were very proud of all the Year 6 children last week. They all showed determination, commitment and resilience during their test week. All children are not just supported academically to achieve their full potential at St Margaret's, but also supported emotionally and I think that last week shows that the children also felt that support too. The children felt secure and hopefully their fabulous Friday fun afternoon meant the week finished on a high!

Thank you to the Year 6 team for starting every morning with booster breakfast. The children really enjoyed their breakfast together and it was a lovely way to settle all the children before the tests began.

I hope you all enjoyed your coffee or hot chocolate on Friday morning. You will see the coffee cart again on Sports Day as well as the PTFA Super Saturday and on 2 other Friday mornings in June and July.

Well done to Crawley Town Football Club! I know many of our families and staff had a great day at Wembley yesterday.

This child played his violin on Tuesday as the whole school came into Worship. Well done!



School uniform

A polite reminder about PE uniform. Children should wear black joggers in cooler weather and blue shorts in warmer weather. Children wear their house colour T-shirt which should not be a football shirt. On PE days children should wear a black sweatshirt or if they are in Year 6 they can wear their leavers hoodie. Children should wear trainers on PE days and school shoes the rest of the week. Thank you for your cooperation with this. Please make sure that all uniform is named as it makes it so much easier to give any items back when they are named.

Any headbands or bows in children's hair should be blue, white or black and should be small and not large bows. Thank you for your support.





Miss Galley writes:

Last year, Year 5 entered a fantastic art competition organised by Art Bytes. Art Bytes is a National Art and EdTech programme for primary, secondary and SEND schools. After completing their Autumn Term Space project, the amazing artwork by our Year 5 students was submitted in January. The Art Bytes judging panel shortlisted three of our artists and then we launched a school wide vote. And the results are in! I am so pleased and excited to announce that first prize went to a child, second prize went to a child and third prize went to a child.

All three of our shortlisted artists are now invited to attend the Celebration Event in June at the Watts Art Gallery in Guildford and will all be presented with certificates. Our school's winner, a child, is now in the running to be the Primary Regional Winner.

Huge congratulations to all our finalists, and an especially big well done to a child.





Forest School welcomed Wendy and Richard, grandparents of the Baker children to work with Year 4 children at Forest school. They are both potters.



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...

Well done to all of the children that got their name in the Book of Brilliance this week.

Leaf and Blossom Certificates

Well done to all the children who received a Leaf or Blossom Certificate on Friday afternoon.



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	Swift Class 96.57%
Fastest class	Kingfisher Class 1.28 seconds



Reception	Butterfly	
	Ladybird	

Year 1	Hedgehog
	Squirrel

Year 2	Badger
	Fox

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	Mason
	Robin	Will
Year 4	Swallow	Zain
	Swift	Forest School
Year 5	Heron	Kesha
	Kingfisher	Annika
Year 6	Owl	Mark
	Woodpecker	Phoebe



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.

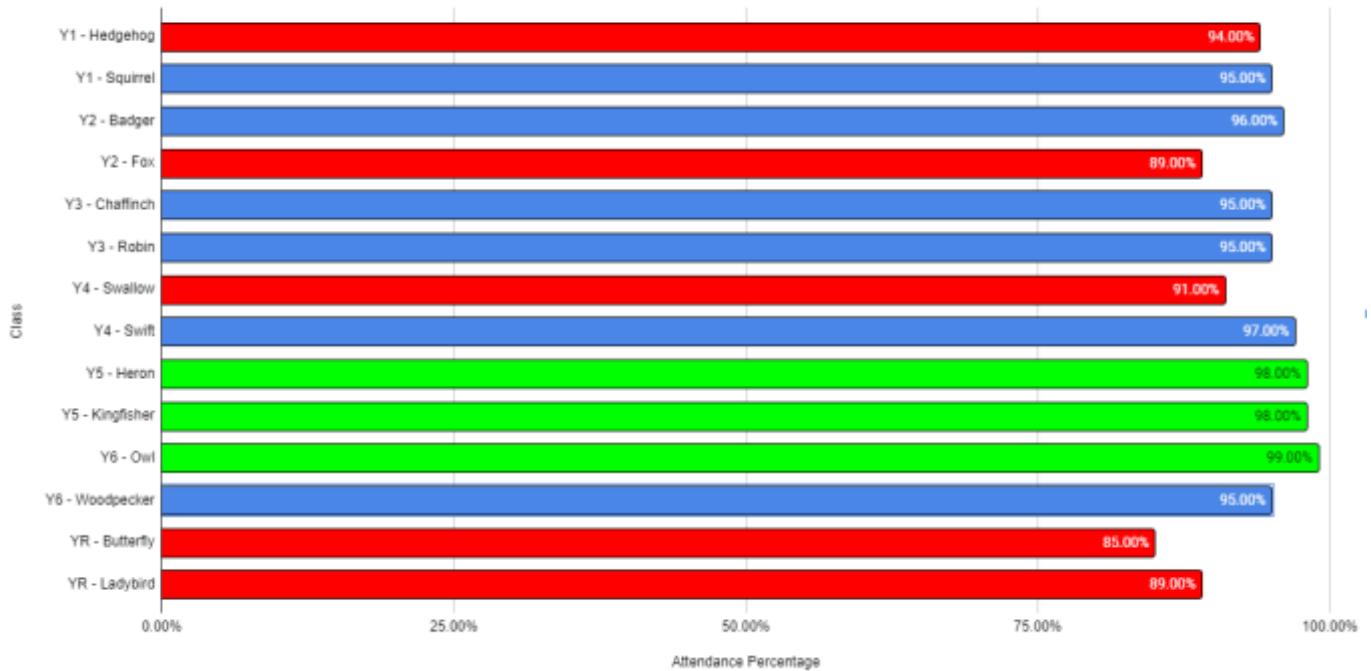
We know that a child's attendance has a direct impact on their learning. Children who are regularly absent from school and are regularly late do not achieve their potential and fall behind in class. Please support the school in this by ensuring that your child attends school regularly and arrives ready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

School attendance - **94.0%**



Class Percentages



**Well done to Owl Class.
I hope you all enjoyed the popcorn. 98.53%.**

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 21 st May	Year 3 to Wakehurst
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
Monday 3rd June	Year 1 Dinosaur Workshop No school run clubs this week - Please see the individual emails sent out on Parentmail last half term.
Tuesday 4 th June	Year 5 Greek Day
Saturday 8 th June	PTFA Super Saturday 10.00-4.00pm
Monday 10th June	Fox Class - Swimming lessons begin. School run clubs start this week.
Friday 14 th June	Sports day and family picnic
Tuesday 18 th June	Year 3 Roman Day
Wednesday 19 th June	New Reception Starters for September 2024 - Meeting at 6pm
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
Monday 1 st July	10.45am Year 6 Diocesan Leavers service at Christ Hospital We will be travelling by car, so nearer the time we will be asking for offers to drive children there. Parents and carers are very warmly welcomed to this special service. Year 3 Bee Talk
Wednesday 3rd July	Year 6 Transition day to secondary school.
Wednesday 3 rd to Friday 5 th July	Year 4 Residential to Lodge Hill
Wednesday 10 th July	1.45pm Year 6 Leavers production to family and carers with preschool children 6.00pm Year 6 Leavers production to family and carers (no preschool children)
Monday 15th July	No school run clubs this week.
Wednesday 17 th July	10.00am Year 6 to Cineworld to watch their film and bowling
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.

