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*Loving God ~ Serving others ~ Fulfilling our potential*

*Thought for the week*

I know the plans I have for you...plans to give you hope  
and a future.

Jeremiah 29:112

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been lovely to see our new Reception children staying all day at school this week. They enjoyed lunch and are settling into school routines very confidently.

Please remember to send all children with a coat as we do go out at break times even if it is raining.

**SIAMS Inspection**

As you will have seen from the letter that was sent out last week we have our SIAMS inspection on Tuesday. As soon as I can I will share the report with you.

**Staffing News**

We will be saying goodbye to Mr Harris at the end of September as he is moving to work full time with a Premier League football club. We are really delighted for him, but very sad to say goodbye. Mr Harris works across the whole school teaching PE, so your children will know him well. I know you will join me in wishing Mr Harris all the very best for the future.

**Forest School**



Forest School is a very important part of our children's learning at St Margaret's school. Mrs Fox and Mrs Walker sent these photos from Monday and Friday's Forest School sessions with Badger Class.

Mrs Fox writes: On Monday Badger Class started to harvest the apples from the orchard. We have 4 different varieties, and we took the opportunity to try them all. At the end of the day the children were invited to take home a bag of apples.



### Jeans for Genes Day

On Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September, the children are able to come into school wearing their jeans. The top half should still be their school uniform. As we are a cashless school, we are only able to accept online donations. Please use this [link](https://www.justgiving.com/page/st-margarets-primary-and-nursery-school-19?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL) - [https://www.justgiving.com/page/st-margarets-primary-and-nursery-school-19?utm\\_medium=FR&utm\\_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/page/st-margarets-primary-and-nursery-school-19?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL)

Mon 15 – Sun 21 Sept

**WEAR JEANS, CHANGE LIVES**

### New Year Group Meetings

These meetings will be a chance to hear about your children’s learning for the year. The meetings will last no longer than half an hour and if you aren't able to be at school then all the information will be posted on the school website after the meeting. The meeting for Reception parents and carers will be later this term.

<b>Year 1</b>	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2.45pm
<b>Year 2</b>	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> September 2.45pm
<b>Year 3</b>	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> September 9.00am
<b>Year 4</b>	Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2.45pm
<b>Year 5</b>	Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September 9.00am
<b>Year 6</b>	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2.45pm

### 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:

Compassion	Squirrel Class Owl Class	Perseverance	Swallow Class
Service	Heron Class	Respect	Swallow Class

### Writing Award

Well done to all our children who received a writing award on Friday. I know you will all be very proud to have the new writing Award trophy in front of you all week!

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 Time Table Rockstars, TTRS, 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.

<b>Most accurate class</b>	Kingfisher Class – 93.63%
<b>Fastest class</b>	Owl Class – 0.97 seconds per question

<b>Year 1</b>	Hedgehog		<b>Year 2</b>	Badger	
	Squirrel			Fox	



## Attendance

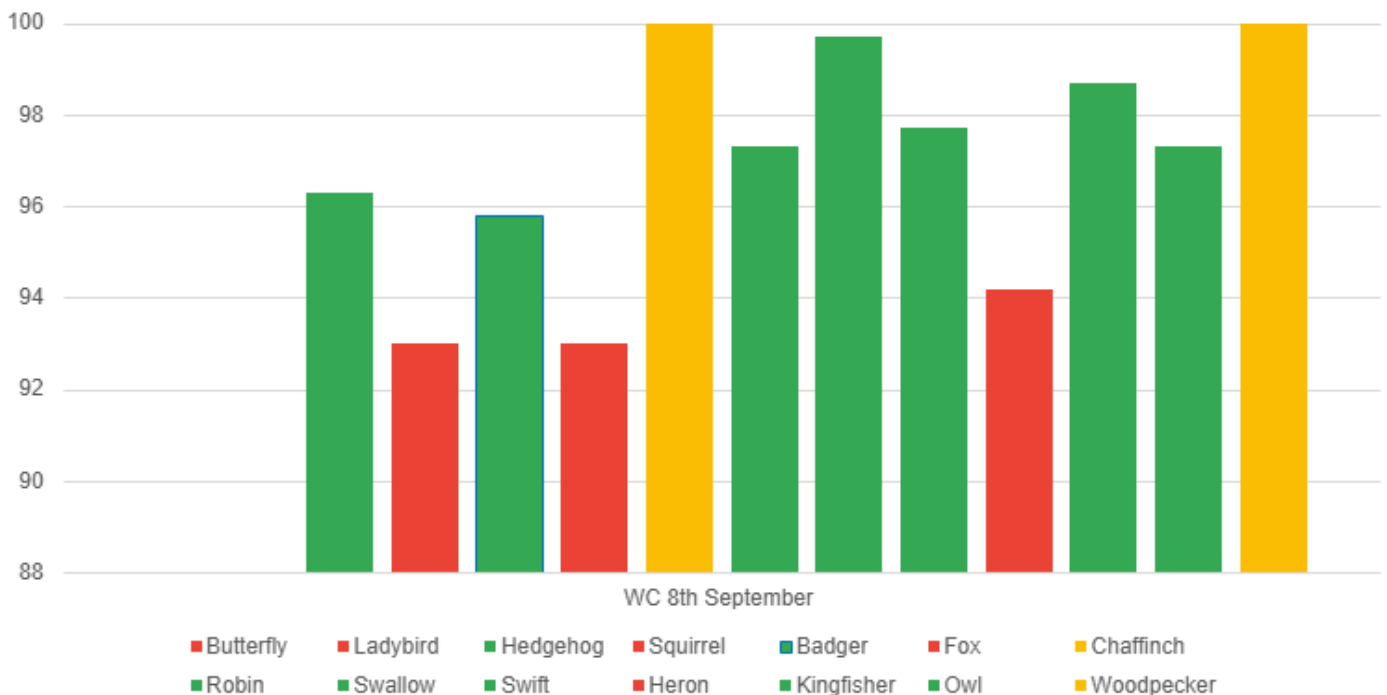


School attendance is very important to us at St Margaret's. Every Friday the class with the best attendance for the week will have popcorn on Friday afternoon.

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! Last week's School attendance – 95.53%**



There is no attendance for Reception classes as they were on a staggered start last week.

**Well done to Chaffinch and Woodpecker classes who both got 100% attendance last week meaning they both received double popcorn. Enjoy!**

## 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 15 <sup>th</sup> September	School run clubs begin - please refer to the email on Arbor that was sent out to all those children attending an after-school club.
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>SIAMS Inspection-all day</b> pm Year 6 Junior Citizen 2.45pm Year 1 parents/carers information meeting 2.45pm Year 2 parents/carers information meeting
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.00am Year 5 parents/carers information meeting
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> September	9.00am Year 3 parents/carers information meeting 2.45pm Year 4 parents/carers information meeting Year 5/6 Boys Football District Cup – Selected children only
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	Jeans for Genes Day – <a href="#">Click here to make your donation</a> 2.45pm Year 6 parents/carers information meeting
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> September	Owl Class – Start Swimming Lessons (Please see separate email for dates and cost)
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Year 5/6 Girls Football District Cup – Selected children only
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> September	School Photos - Individual photos and school siblings - Please can all children wear full school uniform and bring their PE kits into school in a bag.
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> September	Year 6 Girls Tag Rugby Event – Selected children only
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September	Fox Class Forest School – will continue on 6 <sup>th</sup> , 13 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> October.
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	American All Stars Meal Day – Please see ParentPay to book your child’s meal. Year 4 Tag Rugby Festival – All day event
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October	Robin Class Forest School – will continue on Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> , 17 <sup>th</sup> and 24 <sup>th</sup> October
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> October	Harvest services at St Margaret's Church for Key Stage 2 children - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at church for these services. 9.45am Year 3 and 4 10.30am Year 5 and 6
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	9.00am Year 6 Eucharist Service - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service. Crawley Church Coffee Cart NHS Flu Immunisations
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Year 6 residential to Hindleap Warren No school run clubs will be happening this week
<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October</b>	<b>Secondary School Application Deadline</b>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> Friday 1st Nov	Half term
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am Year 6 Worship - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child’s learning.
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> November	9.00am Year 5 Eucharist Service - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	9.00am Year 5 Worship - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child’s learning.
8 <sup>th</sup> –12 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception and KS1 Nativity performances likely to be this week. Dates and times TBC
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas services at St Margaret's Church for Key Stage 2 children - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at church for these services. 9.45am Year 3 and 4 10.30am Year 5 and 6
Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Spring term starts for all children
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> January</b>	<b>Reception Start – September 2026 Application Deadline</b>
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> February	9.00am Year 4 Eucharist Service - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Half Term
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am Year 3 Eucharist Service - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.

Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> 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 25 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00am Swallow Djembe Worship - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child's learning. 9.45am Swift Djembe Worship - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child's learning.
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter services at St Margaret's Church for Key Stage 2 children - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at church for these services. 9.45am Year 3 and 4 10.30am Year 5 and 6
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer term starts for all children
Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> 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 4 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> 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 21 <sup>st</sup> May	9.00am Reception Worship - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> to Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports day and family picnic
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00am Year 2 Eucharist Service - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> June	9.00am Year 1 Eucharist - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school to find out about your child's learning.
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Reserve Sports day and family picnic
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July	9.30am Year 6 Leavers Service at St Margaret's Church. - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at this special service.
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Last day of term
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Inset Day

Thank you for your continuing support.  
Jill Hine,  
Headteacher