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Loving God ~ Serving others ~ Fulfilling our potential

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Thought for the week

Power For Good.

Anti Bullying Week

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week is Anti Bullying week and the children can wear odd socks today, but if they forget they can wear odd socks on Tuesday. It's a great way to celebrate what makes us all unique in Anti-Bullying Week! There is no need to donate, it is just about recognising and celebrating the fact that we are all different.

Who organises Anti Bullying week nationally?

Anti-Bullying Alliance, ABA, are the official organisers of Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

What is bullying?

The repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power.

Bullying can be physical, verbal or psychological. It can happen face-to face or online.

What does Anti Bullying week mean?

The theme of 'Power for Good' has come about following consultation with teachers and pupils by the Anti-Bullying Alliance which coordinates Anti-Bullying Week every year in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Teachers and children wanted a theme that empowered them to do something positive to counter the harm and hurt that bullying causes.

Following the success of the campaign in 2024 – when over 80% of schools marked the week, reaching over 7.5 million children and young people – this year, we'll empower children and young people to use their Power for Good to speak out, support others, and build a world where kindness wins.



Children in Need-Friday Friday 14th November

On Friday the School Council have voted for children to wear pyjamas on Friday for a donation. **The link for donations is on the dates page.** Please don't send money into school with the children. Children can wear trainers and most pyjamas will be suitable for PE so there is no need to send in PE clothes for them to change into. **No onsies please.**

Nativity Performances

Our Reception, Year 1 and 2 Nativity dates are now on the dates page. Mr Chambers will send out an email and you can request the performance you would like to watch. All families are given two tickets to see their child. You may also request extra tickets, but these are not guaranteed and will depend on seating availability on the dates requested. Most years we have been able to fulfill extra wishes but please be aware this might not be possible.



Year 5 Viking Day

Just before half term, Year 5 were lucky enough to experience an exciting Viking Day! Many of the children came dressed in fantastic costumes, a huge well done for the wonderful effort and creativity shown. Throughout the day, the children learned to play a traditional Viking game, took part in an interactive Viking quiz, and even had the opportunity to handle Viking style weapons and artefacts. It was a brilliant day filled with fun, learning and plenty of enthusiasm. All of the children took part with huge smiles on their faces. We are very proud of our Vicious Vikings here at St Margaret's!

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:

Service		Friendship	
Responsibility		Perseverance	

Maths Awards



We are celebrating Times 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.

Most accurate class	Kingfisher Class – 92.19%
Fastest class	Owl Class – 1.07 seconds per question



Year R	Butterfly		Year 1	Hedgehog		Year 2	Badger	
	Ladybird			Squirrel			Fox	

Leaf Awards



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

Writing Awards

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	



Sporting News



Miss Galloway Writes: On Thursday, seven Year 5 and 6 girls attended a netball event at the K2. Their hard work and dedication to Miss G's netball club really showed, impressing all the leaders with their knowledge of the rules. One Year 5 child earned a medal for her outstanding effort, and Miss Galloway and Miss Owen were proud of all the girls. This was a great warm-up for the official competition in two weeks!



Attendance



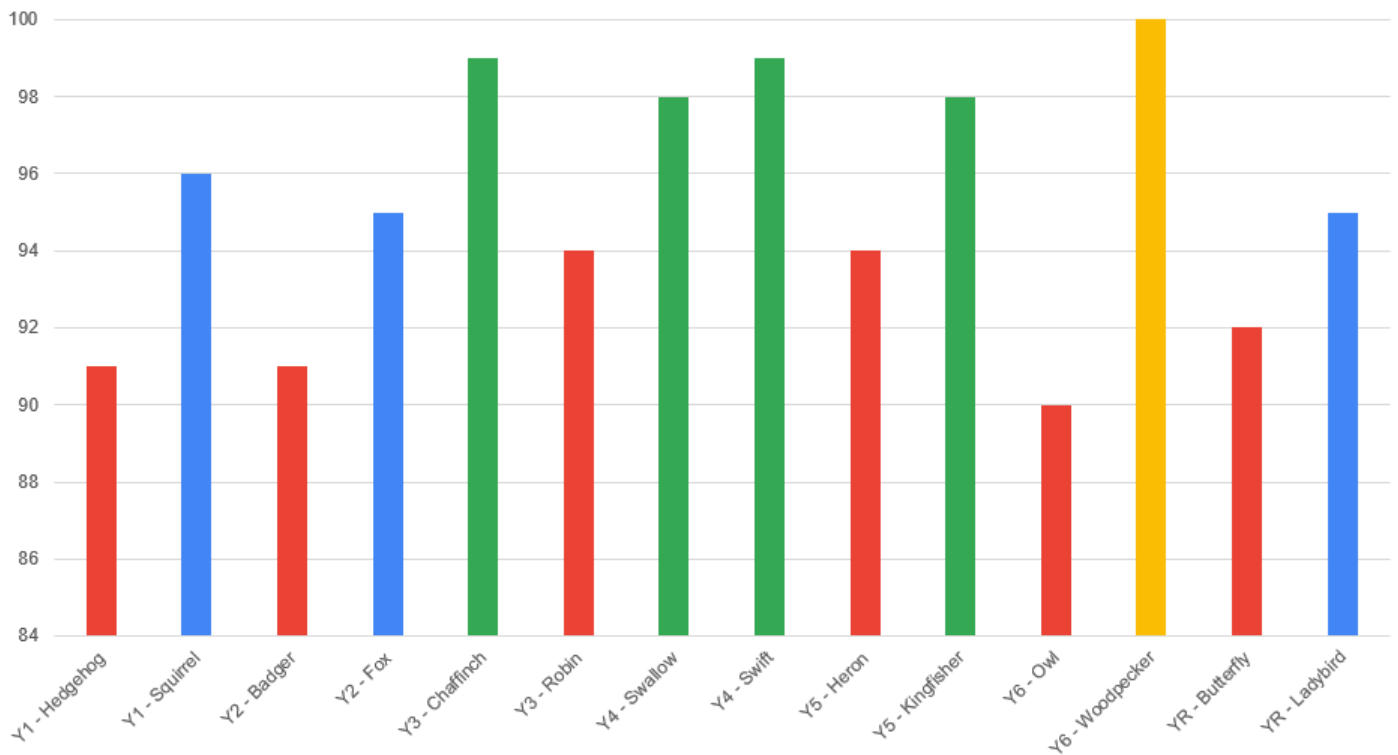
School attendance is very important to us at St Margaret's. Every Friday the class with the best attendance for the week will have popcorn on Friday afternoon.

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 – 94.8%

**Well done to Woodpecker Classes – 100%
Amazing... I hope you all enjoyed the double popcorn.**



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.

Friday 14th November	
Tuesday 11th November	2.45pm PTFA AGM in The Studio
Wednesday 12 th Nov	9.00am Open Morning for prospective Reception intake 2026 am Year 4 to Cineworld
Thursday 13 th 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.
Friday 14th November	Children in Need Day – link 2:50pm – Prayer Group – please sign in at the school office
Tuesday 18 th November	am Years 1, 2 and 3 to Cineworld ** Change of date 9.00am Year 5 Eucharist Service - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Wednesday 19 th November	Maths Escape room in school
Thursday 20 th November	Maths Escape room in school
Wednesday 26 th November	am Years 5 and 6 to Cineworld
Wednesday 3rd December	Year 1 Music Showcase – 9am Year 5 Music Showcase – 2:45pm
Thursday 4 th 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. Christmas Lunch Order Deadline Day
Tuesday 9th December	9.30am Year 1 and 2 Nativity to parents, carers and family members 2.30pm Year 1 and 2 Nativity to parents, carers and family members
Wednesday 10th Dec	9.30am Year 1 and 2 Nativity to parents, carers and family members Year 6 Music Showcase – 2:45pm
Thursday 11th December	9.30am Reception Nativity to parents, carers and family members
Friday 12th December	9.30am Reception Nativity to parents, carers and family members
Monday 15th December	No school run clubs this week.
Wednesday 17th December	Christmas Jumper Day – no donation required Christmas School Lunch

Thursday 18 th 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
Monday 5 th January	Inset Day 3
Tuesday 6 th January 2026	Spring term starts for all children
Thursday 15 th January	Reception Starting September 2026 Application Deadline
Thursday 5 th 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 th to Fri 20 th Feb	Half Term
Thursday 12 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 19 th 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 th 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 th 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 th April	Summer term starts for all children
Thursday 30 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 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 7 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 21 st May	9.00am Reception Worship - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service.
Mon 25 th to Fri 29 th May	Half Term
Monday 5 th June	Inset Day 4
Friday 12 th June	Sports day and family picnic
Thursday 18 th 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 th 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 th June	Reserve Sports day and family picnic
Monday 20 th 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 st July	Last day of term
Wednesday 22 nd July	Inset Day 5

Thank you for your continuing support.
Jill Hine,
Headteacher