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Loving God ~ Serving others ~ Fulfilling our potential

Tuesday 12th May

Thought for the week

When I am afraid, I put my trust in you.

Psalm 56:3

Dear Parents and Carers

It will be another busy week as this week is Year 6 SATs week. These tests are not just based on Year 6 learning which is why we need all children to be in school every day whatever year group your child is in. The Year 6 children have been working very hard, and we all know they will try their best.

Parents and carers, thank you for all your support and encouragement too. We know that you all want the best for your children and if you have any concerns about this week, please speak to Ms Galley or Mr McGivern.

Monday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (SPAG) Paper 1: Grammar & Punctuation English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (SPAG) Paper 2: Spelling
Tuesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English Reading Paper
Wednesday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mathematics Paper 1: Arithmetic Mathematics Paper 2: Reasoning
Thursday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mathematics Paper 3: Reasoning

Science Week



Miss Chalk writes:

During Science Week, we had lots of fun learning about animals and the amazing work of David Attenborough. We explored different habitats, discovered fascinating facts about wildlife, and talked about how we can help protect our planet. On Friday, we celebrated David Attenborough Day with a lovely dress-up day, where everyone came dressed as animals or explorers. It was wonderful to see all the creative costumes that everyone was wearing. Thank you to you all for joining in!

Year 4 Residential

The Year 4 children returned from Lodge Hill on Friday after a wonderful three days and two nights away from home. They were an amazing group of children, and we were very proud of them. I hope they have talked endlessly about their time away to you at home this weekend and that they have caught up on some sleep. It was a wonderful week of personal challenges, new experiences, excitement, fun and enjoyment. It was tiring and non-stop for everyone, but I know we see a different side to your children when they are away on a residential and I'm sure they see us in a different light too. I especially want to thank all the staff who go, as without them these residential could not even be contemplated. Staff are constantly on call 24 hours a day and they leave their families and children behind to go. I'm sure you will all extend your very grateful thanks to Mrs Clark, Ms Poole, Mr Bandara, Mrs Walker, Miss Watkins, Miss Owen and Mrs Simmonds. I am sure they were very pleased to sleep in their own beds on Friday night and catch up on some much-needed sleep! I also want to say thank you to Miss Owen, Mrs Simmonds and Mrs Warner who were with the Year 4 children who were at school for the 3 days. They had a fabulous time cooking cakes, sewing and also had great fun with Forest School too. They had a fabulous time cooking cakes, sewing and had great fun with Forest School too.

Mr Bandara writes: Year 4 had a fantastic 3 days away at our annual pilgrimage to Lodge Hill. Children took part in a variety of activities and conquered fears along the way. The most pleasing aspect was that they survived without electronics and really thrived in the outdoors! They all behaved and participated brilliantly throughout. A credit to you and us as a school.



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:

Generosity		Friendship	
Wisdom		Respect	

Leaf Awards

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



Maths Awards



We are celebrating Timetable Rockstars, TTRS, with certificates for the class that is the most accurate and the class that is the fastest.

Most accurate class	Swallow Class
Fastest class	Swift Class



This week we also celebrated other maths stars.

Butterfly		Hedgehog		Badger	
Ladybird		Squirrel		Fox	

Writing Awards

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

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

Attendance



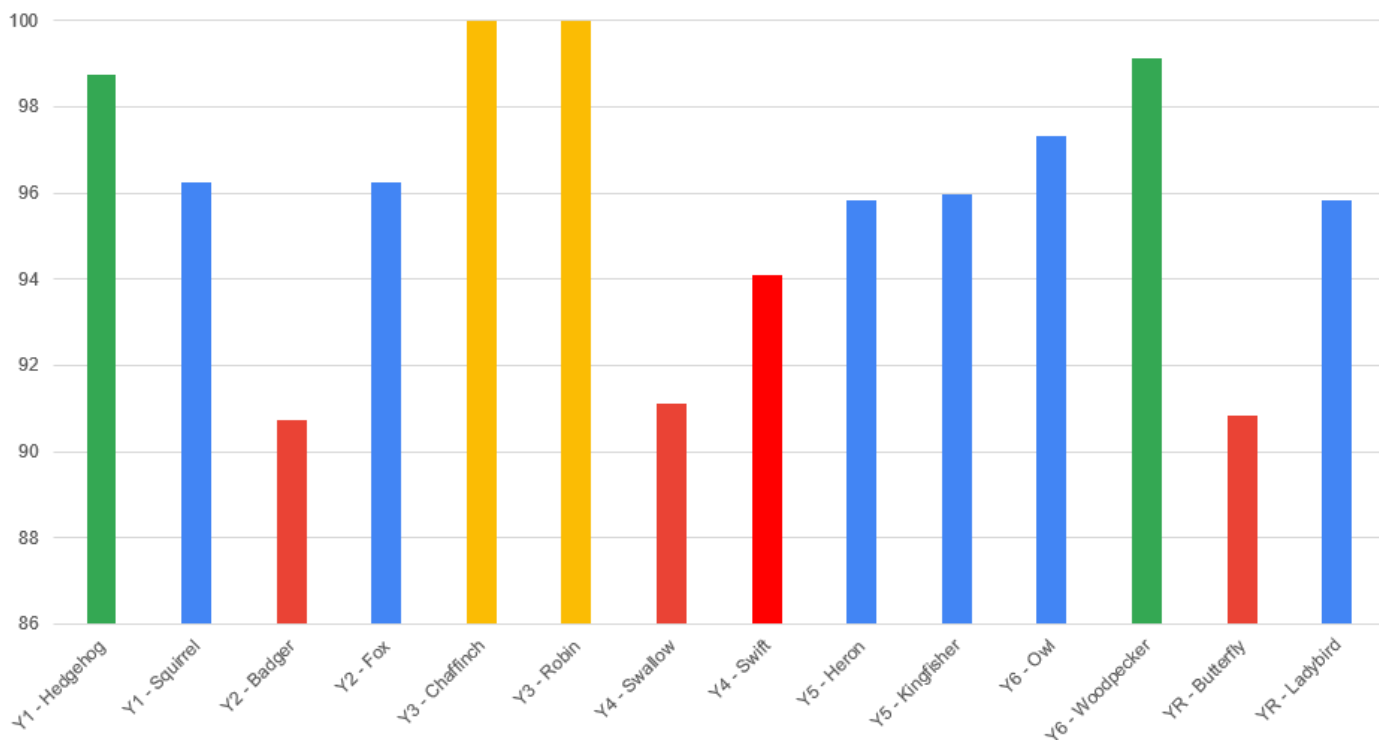
School attendance is very important to us at St Margaret's. Every Friday the class with the best attendance for the week will have popcorn on Friday afternoon.

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 – 94.62%

**Well done to both Chaffinch and Robin Class– 100%.
I hope you 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.

Monday 11 th - 15 th May	Year 6 SATS breakfast – available to Year 6 children only starting at 8:00am.
Thursday 21 st May	9.00am Reception Worship - Parents, carers and family members are very welcome to join us at school for this service. Year 3 – Roman Day
Friday 22 nd May	Year 1 Trip to Drusilla's
Mon 25 th to Fri 29 th May	Half Term
Friday 29 th – 30 th May	Old Tyme Music Hall Production
Monday 1 st June	Inset Day 4
Friday 12 th June	Sports day and family picnic
Monday 15 th June	Swift class – Swimming at the K2 for 5 weeks – 22 nd June, 29 th June, 6 th July and 13 th July.
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 6 th July	10.30am 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.
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