



St Margaret's Newsletter

Friday 3rd May 2024

Learn every day help each other and be happy.

This week we have been thinking about relationships. We have talked about all the different relationships that we have and how important that they all are – as combined together the nature of these relationships determines how we feel about our day. We talked in worship about the different relationships that we cherish and thought about how we conduct ourselves during interactions with different people within our lives. We decided that, despite the complex nature of interactions we have with others, there is only really one key thing: Does the interaction have a positive impact? On ourselves? On others? We have tried this week to think about how we interact with others, and it has been great to see some of the kindness, compassion, and care throughout the school.

Our PGL children have returned and, after a weekend of recovery, have slipped straight back into Year 4. The staff who accompanied the children were incredibly positive about their engagement, energy, and attitude. They approached every task and challenge with a brilliant attitude and were a credit. A big thank you, once again, to all the hard work that goes into this for our accompanying staff and for the parental support for the trip. Year 3 parents, you will have had a letter this week about our Year 4 PGL trip for next year – if you would like any other information about these please let us know.

I have seen some fantastic work across the school this week. Lots of our year groups have been working on area and perimeter this week – the level of care and accuracy that they are taking when approaching very tricky problems is very encouraging to see. There has been some fantastic examples of creative writing this week – seeing children enjoying their writing is always brilliant to see.

I hope that you have a fantastic Bank Holiday weekend – let's hope the weather improves!

Sam Malyn

Our learning this week.

Year 3

In PE this week we've done some practice for sports day. It was breathtaking (in the tiring way!). In DT, we have learned about linkages to create puppets. We made a waving hand and moving flags. In writing, we've chosen an animal to 'do an interview' with ranging from a Black Panther, a Cat, a Unicorn, a Chameleon and a Capybara. In maths we've been learning about perimeter. It was tricky but we got there in the end. Here's a joke to round things up. What do you call a pig in Jurassic Park? JURASSIC PORK!

Year 4

The children have worked hard this week to finish their beachcomber poems. They should be proud of the writing they have achieved through this unit. We certainly are! In history we have been exploring the Tudor monarchs and this week we focused our learning on Henry V111. What an interesting king he was. Did you know that at the end of his life he had a waist of 137cm's and he executed over 70,000 people! In PE we have been practising some of the activities that will take place at Sports day which was great fun.

Year 5

We have been working very hard in maths this week learning more about area and perimeter. We are now able to estimate the area of a compound shape and use a ruler accurately to measure. We have enjoyed starting our new science topic about space and linking our French learning to this. We are now confident describing the planets (in order!) in French. Today we started to create our own Deadly 100 page all about Bullet Ants after researching them and learning about some terrifying rituals that take place in the Amazon rainforest with them.

Year 6

In our maths lessons this week we have continued to work hard on our arithmetic in maths and have also learnt how to find the mean (average) of sets of data. In reading we have found out about the history of swimming the English Channel and put our comprehension skills to the test. We have started our new writing topic which is based on a short film called Varmints. Cricket has been fun this week – we have worked hard on developing our bowling and batting skills. In art we have used charcoal pencils to create our own Space Art.

Class Teacher Awards.

Trust: Lucy

Friendship: Lola

Hope: Sophia

Thankfulness: Faith

Peace: Luciann

Forgiveness: Amy

Wisdom: Sam

Compassion: Rayner

Messages from the Office.

Appledore Baptist Church will be hosting an event on 18th May at 4pm as part of the Appledore Christian Music Festival. Join Douggie Dug Dug and his crazy assistants for a 90-minute concert full of song, puppets and some really fun experiments using dry ice and other chemicals to explore energy, gases and the power of air. Tickets cost £2 per child and £1 per adult. Please book early as space is limited. For more information and to book visit the Facebook event at <https://fb.me/e/1Q1Ga8UVI>



In the interest of health and safety - No dogs accompanying children to and from school are allowed on the school site, this includes dogs being carried.

Looking ahead to 2025! Year 4 PGL to Beam House – this residential is now full! We will run a reserved list just in case.

We are working hard on getting quotes for the year 6 trip to London, this will take a little more time as not all prices are available yet for 2025.

Upcoming Key Dates

Northam May Fair Saturday 4th May 2024

School closed (Bank Holiday) Monday 6th May

Ascension Day Thursday 9th May

Sports Day 22nd May

FONs Bag 2 School collection from St George's 22nd May

Summer Fayre Friday 28th June