

St Margaret's Newsletter

Friday 8th March 2024

Learn every day help each other and be happy.

This week we have been thinking about how we care about others. We all know just how important it is to look after each other and it makes me very proud to see the compassion and kindness across the school, shown by children and adults alike. Forgiveness Class produced a lovely worship as we explored how we can show that we care for each other. As always, we discussed that the most effective ways of showing that you care do not cost anything and don't need to be wrapped up!

A lovely example of the compassion across the school happened during our World Book Day event. In the afternoon, classes of different year groups joined together to share their books. Seeing the children mix is always a joy to behold and something that we want to continue to develop as we move forward. We now have half-termly family group worships which give our children the chance to reflect and learn with a different group of children from across the school.

World Book Day was a fantastic event! Thank you all for your support with providing the children with such fantastic costumes - it was great to see the variety of characters and ideas when we all came together in the hall. Developing a love of reading is crucial for our children and days like this help us to take positive steps in the right direction.

I hope that you all have a fantastic weekend - let's hope that the sun continues to shine! Sam Malyn

Special Events.

Red Nose Day 15th March – The School Council will be raising money for Comic Relief. Children can wear something red or have funny hair that day, for a small voluntary donation. They will also be holding a competition to design their own red nose. Letters and template have been sent home. We will also be holding a cake sale on the day. Cakes prices between 50p & £1.00 Donations of cake on the day would be appreciated.

FONs Easter Colouring Competition—1st and 2nd prize for each year group. Please name and return entries to class teacher no later than 27th March. Competition will be judge by FONS on 28th March.

Our learning this week.

Year 6 Girls Football Tournament

A huge well done to our Year 6 girls who, last week, represented the school at the North Devon Final. They played brilliantly and ended up coming in second place! Their incredible performance meant that they only conceded one goal - the one that ended up deciding the final. We are all really proud of you - well done girls!

Year 3

This week in writing, we have been writing a diary about visiting Paris. We have researched about The Eiffel Tower, Arc de Triomphe, The Notre Dame Cathedral and La Louvre Museum. We've continued to get fitter and stronger in our PE sessions, doing a HIIT class! We used the computers to play some Maths games on 'Maths Frame' which was very enjoyable and awesome. For World Book Day, we did a 'draw-a-long' with a famous author, partnered up with a child from Y5 to read together and a couple of us were chosen to receive a 'Golden Ticket' which got us a prize! What do librarians take fishing? Bookworms!

Year 4

We have had a great week in year 4 and especially enjoyed dressing up for world book day. We shared books with the year 6's and enjoyed listening to a live author read aloud their book. We have also continued to work on our fractions and in English research all about Mount Everest. We will be writing a Non-Chronological report about the special mountain. Did you know that Mount Everest is full of life despite being one of the harshest habitats on the planet!

Year 5

It's been a very busy week! We have really impressed our teachers with our work on fractions and are proud of our progress in maths. We all enjoyed World Book Day and saw some fantastic outfits ranging from Rupert Bear to Harry Potter. We spent the day working on illustrations, writing book reviews and making bunting for our reading corner. Our new key text, The Explorer, is becoming more exciting as we learn more about the characters and the Amazon rainforest.

Year 6

We have been really busy again this week. We have been working extremely hard on our Sats Practice Tests and have shown great resilience and determination. It was a fun afternoon on Tuesday when we conducted our investigation into which exercise affects our heart rate the most. Luckily, the weather was nice so we could get outside. We did 5 different exercises and have learnt how to find our pulse. We all enjoyed World Book Day; we dressed up, wrote a book review to go in the Library and enjoyed a live event where we did a draw- along. It was lovely to spend time with the Year 4's where we shared a book and read to one another.

Class Teacher Awards.

Trust: Edwyn Peace: Heidi

Friendship: Hadassah **Forgiveness:** Tobie

Hope: Imogen **Wisdom:** All of Wisdom Class!

Thankfulness: Maisie **Compassion:** All of Compassion Class!

Messages from the Office.

Year 6 London Residential reminder to hand in all spending money to the office by Monday 11th March. Thank you.

Year 5 Fund Raising Jewellery Sale - last chance to buy jewellery is on Monday 11th March.

St Margaret's - Your child is once again invited to participate in this year's 'Eggstravaganza'.

On the last day of this term, we will all go into the hall to watch the competition. The ramp will be put up in the hall on Thursday 28th March and your child will be able to bring in a buggy from home made from materials of your choice. This could be recycled bottles and caps for wheels, Lego, cardboard, recycled/adapted toys, art straws or anything you can think of! There will be a winner selected from each year group to the buggy that travels the furthest! Think about everything you know about forces (gravity, air resistance, friction) to help you make the best one.

Rules:

It must be no longer than 40cm

It must be able to carry an egg without it breaking throughout the entire journey!

It must not gain any additional speed from electronics (No motors).

Upcoming Key Dates

St Margaret's Easter Disco Thursday 14th March
Easter Service Thursday 28th March (last day of term)
Easter Holidays 29th March—14th April
FONs Colouring Competition Judging 28th March
Scholastic book fair week beginning 29th April 2024
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