



St Margaret's Newsletter

Friday 22nd March 2024

Learn every day help each other and be happy.

Hello from London!

The newsletter is a bit different this week as we are currently in London with 30 of our Year 6s. We are having a brilliant time and the children are making us really proud. We have had many comments from the public regarding the children's manners and the way that they are conducting themselves and this has been really pleasing as lots of our work this year has centered around how we treat others and the impact that our choices can have on others.

However, it is not just our Year 6s who are busy. This week, our Year 4 and Year 5 children have been out and about. Year 4 visited Westward Ho! to explore the sea defences and to see how coastal erosion is being prevented in our local area. Year 5 have been to the Burton Art Gallery to see our fantastic artwork which is on display as part of the Schools' Exhibition. We were really pleased to have so much work to provide and invite you to visit the Burton to see the work for yourself. The exhibition is on until the 7th April. Further good news was received when the Burton informed us that we had won a prize for the artwork we presented - well done everyone!

I hope that you have a wonderful weekend.

Sam Malyn

Class Teacher Awards.

Trust: Megan

Friendship: Viktor

Hope: Max

Thankfulness: Mila

Peace: Olivia

Forgiveness: Xander

Wisdom: Jasmine

Compassion: Katie

YEAR 5 EASTER FAYRE AND CAKE SALE

Year 5 have would like to invite you all to an Easter Fayre and Cake Sale starting straight after school on Tuesday 26th March. Items for sale will include jewellery, cakes, a tombola, and raffle tickets. There will also be a visit from the police and an opportunity to look inside a police car. Year 5 would be very grateful for cake donations to sell at the event. (Please remember – no nuts!)

CINEMA AFTERNOON

Also, during Tuesday afternoon, and organised by year 5, we will be holding a cinema afternoon with various films available for children to choose from to watch. Some of the films will be PG rated. If you do not wish your child to watch a PG please let the office know before Tuesday. The films will be free to watch but if you wish your child can purchase popcorn and a drink for 50p.

Our learning this week.

Year 3

This week in year 3 we have been enjoying painting flowers in the style of Georgia O'Keefe. We have been using magnifying glasses/microscopes to look at them in lots of detail and using careful single brush strokes too. In maths, we created our own bar charts based on the favourite fruits of our classes. In writing, we've been using our imagination to write about a magical place called 'The Place Between'. We also finally finished reading 'Mr Stink' as our class read. It was really funny, but it had a sad ending!

Year 4

Year 4 have had a great week finishing off their topic on Coasts by walking into Westward Ho and meeting Ranger Rose. We went back in time and explored how WWH! has changed over the years due to erosion. We then explored all the coastal defences that are in place and discussed what the future might look like for WWH! We even managed a sneaky play in the park on the way home.

In maths, we are continuing our fractions work and are working hard finishing our non chronological reports on a special place of our choice.

Year 5

Year 5 have been working hard on our writing skills in English, focusing on rich vocabulary and the feelings of the characters. On Tuesday, we took a lovely walk to the Burton Art Gallery to see all of the fantastic art work from our local schools. We were all very impressed with the standard of the work and thrilled that our school had won a prize! Year 5 are continuing to work hard to raise money for our school trips and are getting ready for our Easter Fayre after school on Tuesday.

Year 6

This week has been an interesting week for Year 6 . At the beginning of the week we wrote a storyboard for the text we are reading; The Snow Leopard by Jackie Morris and in maths we have been learning to read and answer questions about tables. Whilst some of us went off to London those who have been in school have been enjoying some different sessions. We have made protractor art, created some African art and have worked on tessellations. On Thursday afternoon we all enjoyed a trip to Kimberley Park. It was great fun!

Messages from the Office. Arbour Management Information System

Our new parent portal Arbour Management Information System is now up and running. Through this app you can pay for school meals and soon trips, and uniform will soon be added. It is the intention that St. Margaret's will become entirely cashless in line with all other Ventrus schools by the end of the Summer term. If you did not receive your email invitation, please contact the office, also check your junk folder as it may have gone there.

Special Events.

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.

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 homemade 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).

EASTER HOLIDAY CLUB

There are limited spaces available at the Ofsted registered East Holiday Club run by Our Happy Place at St. George's School. The club is open between 2nd April and 5th April. Sessions run from 8.30am to 4.30pm at £35 per child or 8.30am to 12.20pm at £20 per child. There is a 10% discount for siblings. Snacks and drinks are provided but a pack lunch must be provided. To register please contact Jemma at ourhappyplaceltd@hotmail.com

Upcoming Key Dates

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