St Margaret's C.E.P. School Newsletter

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Christmas Tree

This year our Christmas tree was donated by the Cooper family for which we are very grateful. Thank you also to the Elliott-Dunn's who donated the lights and decorations.

And talking of trees.....

The children and adults had a terrific time planting around the perimeter of the new field. It certainly was a case of many hands make light work! The whole job was completed in less than an hour and a half.



Nativity

This year, Key-Stage 1 provided us all with excellent performances of 'A Present for the Baby'. Well done to all the cast and thank you to Mrs Bannon, Mrs Pring and other adults involved in the rehearsing. Thanks to FOCSS for providing refreshments and the ever popular raffles. Across the 2 days, £150+ was raised.

Christmas Fair

On behalf of FOCSS, thank you so much for the donations, helping on the day and most importantly attending and supporting this popular annual event. It was particularly lovely to see so many past pupils and their families. The impressive sum of £2100 was raised.

Bag2School

FOCSS have received £92 following the recent collection.

Swimming

Congratulations to the following children who recently achieved the dis-

tances listed below:

5m Georgia, Christopher and Harry

10m Alfie B

15m William R and Annie S

25m Annie, Abbey, Thomas and Viktor

50m Lily, Harrison, Harris and Alfie M

100m Nieve, William F, Joshua, Charlie and Fraser

200m Connie-May, Emily, Imogen and Honor

400m Flora

600m Edward

800m Claudia

School Closure

As January approaches, here is a reminder. In the event of poor weather and the school having to close at short notice. we will inform the local radio stations (Radio Kent and Heart FM, although these can be difficult to get through to). We will also do our best to issue an email via Parent Mail. However all school closures will also be reported at www.kentclosures.co.uk. It is simple to use with a search facility where our postcode (TN12 9RR) can be entered. The site also provides you with the facility of registering to receive both SMS (charges apply) and e-mails. These will be sent whenever a new message/ alert has been issued by the school. Finally, we will place a notice on the 'latest news' section of our new website which will be going live just after the Christmas break.

Farewells

Last Friday, the school said thank you but not our final farewell to Mrs Davey. Although her personal circumstances are preventing her from teaching on a regular basis, she will be available for supply work in the new year. Alongside Mrs Ball, who has offered to lead orchestra, Mrs Davey will from time to time be popping in to assist with this popular

lunchtime club.

Earlier today we said our good byes to Mrs Lutener and Mrs Brooker. They have both been associated with the school for well over a decade and in that time provided support to hundreds of pupils and impacted in many ways, including the school garden and grounds which Mrs Brooker has a real passion for. They have both decided to leave the world of education. We wish them both all the best for the future including their new employment opportunities.

Diary

Wed 19th Dec Carol Service. Refreshments from 8.55am. End of term 2

Christmas Holidays

Thurs 3rd Jan Children return to school. Swimming starts for Bramley Class

Thurs 10th Family Trust worship. Sarah Whitehead starts flute lessons.

Tues 15th Deadline for Year R applications for Sep 2019.

Fri 25th School shut-staff training

Sun 3rd Feb Annual Sunday Service at St. Margaret's Church (Separate letter to be issued in the new year)

Tues 5th Safer Internet Day

Fri 8th FOCSS Quiz Evening

Tues 12th and Thurs 14th Open Evenings (Separate letter to follow)

Fri 15th Last day of term 3

Mon 18th -Fri 22nd Feb Holiday

Finally, on behalf of the staff and governors, we wish you all a very happy and restful Christmas.

