

St Margaret's C.E.P. School

Newsletter

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Before and after the school day

Please can I ask that unless you have reason to enter the school building, all parents remain within the Early Years outdoor area whilst dropping off children in the morning. This will reinforce to the pupils that once they are on site, all children (except Russet) go on to the main playground where they are then supervised whilst their adult stays within the Early Years area.

After school, children and adults should leave the site as quickly as possible. This will ensure that the Key-Stage 2 clubs which run outside can take place without additional adults and children.

Both of these requests assist us in ensuring that children remain safe and supervised whilst on the school site. Thank you for your co-operation.



Harvest

Our annual harvest service will take place in St. Margaret's Church on Friday 11th October with coffee and tea served from 8.55am. Everyone is most welcome.

As in previous years, our Harvest donations will be making their way to Homeless Care which supports homeless and vulnerable people

within the borough of Maidstone. They have provided a most wanted list for 2019 and this includes:

Tinned fruit and veg, long life milk, sandwich spread, custard and rice pudding, coffee/ hot chocolate, fruit juice, tinned minced beef and stewing steak, tinned ham and corned beef, pasta sauce, curry sauce, marmite, peanut butter, jam, choc spread, sugar, crisps and biscuits. They continue to also be most grateful of toiletries.

Please bring donations to the school hall from Monday 7th October. All donations will be gratefully received.

Photographer

Vancols the school photographer will be in school next Tuesday, 1st October when individual and sibling photos will be taken. Please bring pre-school siblings to the hall at 8.55am. Siblings across the 4 classes will have their photos taken during the morning.

Road Crossing Patrol

Along with 21 other similar vacancies across the county, KCC have continued to advertise the post of road crossing patrol for our school. Unfortunately they received only 1 application for all 21 posts!

Do you know of anyone who would be ideal for this role? If so, please ask them to contact the school office.

Forthcoming Events

This year our **Open Day**, where both current and perspective parents can come and visit the school, will take place on **Wednesday 20th November**. You are welcome to the school between 9.30 and 11.30 and 1.30–

3.00pm.

Apologies of mentioning Christmas at the end of September, but I know many of you appreciate as much notice as possible! Performances of the **Key-Stage 1 Nativity** will take place on **Tuesday 10th** and **Wednesday 11th December** starting at 2.15pm. FOCSS met last week and have confirmed that the Christmas Fair will take place on **Saturday 7th December 2.00–4.00pm.**

PE Skills Day

Sponsorship forms will be issued on **Friday 4th October**, 2 weeks before the event which takes place on the last day of term 1. All pupils take part in a range of sporting challenges, keep active all day and have a great time. We will be raising money so that our successful gymnastics teams have a kit to wear when they participate in competitions.

Bright Smiles, Bright Futures

This afternoon, each child will be coming home with a free toothbrush, toothpaste and leaflet. This is part of Colgate's Bright Smiles, Bright Futures schools programme which we signed up for.

Attendance

After the first month, attendance across the school stands at 97.3%. Congratulations go to Russet Class with a rate of 98.8%.

Finally, don't forget that FOCSS are holding their quiz evening tomorrow in the school hall from 7.30pm.

Wishing you all a great weekend.