

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

Inspire, Nurture, Discover

Learning as we grow, Growing as we learn, Rooted in Jesus

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School Pond

Some of you may not be aware that we have a small pond tucked away down the side of the school near the staff car park. It's in need of some TLC please. If you are able to offer some time (not very much as it's very small!), it would be great. Please come and have a word.

Diary

Wed 29th Pippin visiting Pizza Express

Fri 31st School church rehearsal

Sun 2nd 11.00 Sunday Service. Everyone is most welcome.

Tues 4th Russet visiting Pizza Express

Thurs 6th Young Voices- Choir performing at the O2. No swimming for the rest of Bramley Class.

Tues 11th Open Evening 3.30–6.00pm (Book Fair available)

Thurs 13th Open Evening 5.30–8.00pm (Book Fair available)

Fri 14th End of term 3

Mon 17th–Fri 21st Holiday

Mon 24th Staff Development Day
SCHOOL SHUT FOR PUPILS

Tues 25th Children return

Mon 2nd March Year 6 informed of their secondary school

Thurs 5th Family Trust Worship

Fri 20th Father Paul worship.

Week beginning 23rd March
WORLD WEEK.

You may recall that schools were asked to review their curriculum intentions and some parents responded via the annual question-

naire last year. As a school we then took those suggestions and considered how pupils of Collier Street need to be prepared for life in the 21st Century. We identified the themes below:

- Globalisation and interdependence
- Identity and diversity
- Concern for the environment
- Self awareness and reflection/Empathy
- Critical and creative thinking

In the near future, we will be sharing curriculum plans which bring together the National Curriculum whilst also emphasising these important areas.

Piano

With a piano in the hall and the electric piano, the very old piano in Russet class is no longer required. It's looking for a good home. If you are interested, please come and see me. In the event of a rush of interest, we'll pull names out of a hat!

World Book Day

Officially this takes place on Thursday 5th March but with Bramley swimming, we will hold ours on **Friday 6th**. This year, we would like all the children to come to school dressed up as a character from a book. The staff will be organising special activities to celebrate and promote reading.

New PSHE Curriculum

From September 2020, all schools will be delivering a revised PSHE curriculum which includes for the first time, relationship education.

Children will learn about families and people who care for them, caring relationships, respectful relationships, online relationships and being safe. There is also a separate section on mental well-being. As a school, we have been working on the implementation of this valuable addition to the curriculum and consequently would like to mark Children's Mental Health Week which takes place from the 3rd February. The theme is **Find your Brave**. Life is all about taking small brave steps every day. Bravery could be about sharing worries and asking for help when you need it, trying something new or making the right choices. As part of the week, there's a wear something yellow day. This will be held on Friday 7th February. It's not a fund raising day but just to indicate to all classes that everyone in the school is giving consideration to their mental well-being. Just one yellow item is sufficient!

Use of Technology

New guidance was issued towards the end of last year for the acceptable use of technology within primary schools. Both pupils and parents are essential in ensuring this is as effective as possible. Early next week, each child will be receiving some information and as there are forms to be returned to school, this will be issued in a paper format. Your attention to this will be much appreciated. Thank you.

Enjoy the weekend.