

# 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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**Friday 14th Feb**

**Issue No: 7**

### Internet Safety

With the half-term holiday next week, you may be interested in the following website <https://parentinfo.org/> where many resources about how to assist your child on remaining safe whilst online can be found.

### Trips

All classes have enjoyed trips in the last few weeks including to Dungeness Nuclear Power Station, Pizza Express, Maidstone Museum as well as the choir who performed at the O2 last week. All these experiences are valuable and add to the rich curriculum offered each day.

Here are a few quotes from across the school.....

*We went on a coach with Oscar's Dad driving. We made our own pizzas and went on a tour. It was freezing cold in the freezer and in the fridge. When we got out of the fridge, it was so hot. We know how to make a pizza now.*  
Archie B & Sophie M (Russet)

*It was interesting to learn about nuclear radiation and power generation, especially that the control rods can stay active for hundreds of years. The turbine spins 50 times per second. We were treated like new employees! We had to wear protective hats, ear muffs and goggles. We really needed the protection in the turbine room as it was really loud even though the power station is currently having maintenance. It was one of our favourite trips ever!*  
Edward/ Claudia (Discovery)

*I think it made me feel happy. I loved being really high up-the view was good. All the choirs made a really nice sound.*

*The lights were stunning and they were used to show which part of the O2 were singing. The torches made it look like fireflies!* Sofia and Harris

Thank you to all parents who have assisted or supported especially WKN Coaches.

### Diary for Term 4

*Mon 17th–Fri 21st Holiday*

Mon 24th Staff Development Day–  
School shut for pupils

Tues 25th Children return

Sat 29th FOCSS Quiz Night at  
school

Mon 2nd March Start of Book  
Week. Year 6 informed of their secondary school

Tues 3rd FOCSS meeting

Thurs 5th Family Trust worship

Fri 6th Dressing up day. Please start creating those costumes reflecting a book character!

Mon 9th National Science Week.  
The children will be thinking about diversity

Fri 20th Father Paul worship.  
Recorder Festival in Gravesend.

W.b. Mon 23rd World Week

Thurs 26th 5.30/6.30 KS1 and 2  
FOCSS Discos

Mon 30th 3.15pm FOCSS Easter  
Event

Wed 1st 9.15am Easter Service in  
the church. END OF TERM

*Thurs 2nd–Wed 15th April–Easter Holiday*

Thurs 16th April–Children return  
to school

2020/21

A few parents have been enquiring about the start of the next academic year. With the late August bank holiday on 31st August, Tuesday 1st September will be a Staff Development Day and so children will return to school on Wednesday 2nd September 2020.

### World Book Day

This year's World Book Day is Thursday 5th March. We will be celebrating in school with activities throughout the week which will culminate with a 'dressing as a book character day' on Friday 6th March. To continue to foster a love of reading and enthusiasm for books, it is vital that we update our class book areas with new and exciting reading material. Therefore this year, we are asking for a £1 donation to take part in the dressing up day, with a prize for the best KS1 and KS2 costume. We are also asking each child to bring a book (one they have already read and no longer need) in for a 'Book Exchange' where they will swap their book with someone else and every child will go home with a new book to read! We hope to make the 'Book Exchange' a permanent feature in school. Thank you in advance for your support.  
Mrs Kenward, English Lead.

Finally, enjoy the holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone on Tuesday 25th February.