

St Margaret's C.E.P. School

Newsletter

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The last few weeks

The children have returned to school extremely well and are focused and back into learning as a whole school.

Thank you for your support towards the cereal box Domino Run. In all about 105 boxes were donated to Yalding Food Bank.

Diary

Wed 31st March Last day of term 4

Thurs 1st April Staff Development Day—school shut

Fri 2nd–Fri 16th April Easter Holiday

Mon 19th Start of term 5. Children return to school.

Mon 26th Clubs start (see below)

Mon 3rd May Bank Holiday

Thurs 6th May School to be used as a Polling Station. School open as usual.

Wed 26th May 6.30pm Secondary School Meeting for parents of pupils in Year 4 and 5. This date is provisional and may have to take place either via zoom or depending on the lifting of government restrictions potentially will be held in the hall. If it's the latter, please could only 1 representative from each family attend, wearing a face covering.

The meeting will be explaining the process of applying for the 11+ as well as for a secondary school. The main date to be aware of for Year 5 parents is that the deadline for applications to take the 11+ is usually the first few days of July. Year 5 parents will also be receiving data

before the May holiday. A separate letter will be issued next term.

Thurs 27th May Last day of term 5

Fri 28th May Staff Development Day—school shut for pupils

Monday 31st May–Fri 4th June

Holiday

Mon 7th June Start of term 6

Baldwin Cup

This is usually presented in our end of term service to a Year 6 who has made a significant contribution to the life of the school. This year the award was presented in school earlier today to someone who first and foremost identifies jobs and responsibilities which need doing and efficiently undertakes them.

They are well informed about IT and can often solve the problems which adults including the Headteacher come across! This individual can jump into action, as was the case in the autumn term when one of my workshops was almost derailed following technical issues with Zoom! He is keen to help set up for PE sessions, checking that equipment is in good working order. This pupil doesn't fuss and shows a mature attitude. He is an organiser and can be described as a team leader. In addition to these achievements, he has shown real dedication to his academic work especially during the most recent lockdown. Many congratulations to Reggie.

Next term brings new opportunities

Following the Easter break, after school clubs will be reintroduced and we are going to be offering a good range across the school focus-

ing especially on being active and outdoors. Clubs will start week beginning 26th April. A separate letter will be issued tomorrow and will need to be returned by Wednesday 21st April please.

Sunflowers

Children across the school have planted a sunflower as a symbol of hope as we look towards summer. The seeds have germinated and so will need some TLC over the Easter break. The children will be bringing them home but please can they bring them back on Monday 19th April in order that they can be planted out and hopefully create a stunning display later this year.

Easter Trail

Tomorrow, after school, we are having a slightly different Easter Hunt, it's really an Easter Trail. Without a church service, all the classes have been celebrating Easter in their own way and for part of this, they have been using their creative skills.

As you leave tomorrow, please have a look and enjoy their work which will be trailed along the Early Years fence, the Trim Trail and along the railings of the Garden Room.

Finally, after another unusual term, may I wish you all a good Easter break. It is reassuring that slowly and surely, school is starting to return to normal. I hope this can continue in term 5 which starts on Monday 19th April.

A very happy Easter!