

St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Dover



Learning for life with God as our guide

Friday, 19th April 2024



Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



A Message from Ms Comfort

Here Comes Summer!

Welcome to the summer term, the children have all returned in good spirits and have settled back into the school routine this week.

Whilst the rain is good for the garden it would be nice to have a run of dry days now and to be able to pack away our umbrellas and raincoats – here's hoping for some warm and dry summer days in the not too distant future!

Class Newsletters

Class Newsletters for terms 5 and 6 have been sent by out ParentMail this week. I hope you have enjoyed reading these and seeing what the individual classes are up to this and next term.

Early Years

Offer letters for our new Reception Class children due to start with us in September were sent out this week; we are looking forward to meeting our new cohort soon. We have a range of induction events so that families can get to know the school ready for their start in September.

Parking

Yet again I write to you all about the dangers caused to our precious pupils by the way some of our family members park – and drive – when dropping off at the beginning of the day and collecting at the end.

Many of you walk to the school with your children – either from home or from a safe parking spot; I thank you for doing this.

Some of you park on the edge, or even over the entire, pavement on Laureston Place, Ashen Tree Lane or even on the large area of pavement on Maison Dieu. By doing this you are causing a hazard and danger to those families who do walk. Please think about others and the safety of our school community. There are spaces available to park in on Laureston Place and those of you using the Maison Dieu gate should park in the St James carpark – free for one hour – or in or road parking spaces elsewhere.

PAVEMENTS ARE FOR PEOPLE, NOT CARS.



Ms Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Collective Worship at St Mary's CEP School, Dover

An excellent start to Term 5 in Collective Worship this week as the children engaged superbly well. The children explored the 'resurrection stories' including Jesus appearing to His disciples for the first time after his resurrection and shortly after at the beach by the Sea of Galilee. We discussed how the disciples may have felt when they saw Jesus, as well as the help and support that they were provided.

Children were asked to think about the support that is given to them in their lives and why this is important. Christians believe that Jesus knows what individuals need, offering practical help, love and friendship (just as he did to the disciples). I wonder who the key people are in your life that offers you support and love?

Pupils thoroughly enjoyed Singing Worship as they sung beautifully! The week was ended with a range of awards shared in Celebration Collective Worship - as always, a wonderful way to start a Friday!

Learner of the Week

Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week:



Class R – Our Learner of the Week in Turtles Class is **Leo**! Leo has enjoyed sharing and taking turns with his peers in class this week. Well done Leo! We are very proud of you.

Class 1 – **Aleena** is our Learner of the Week in Starfish Class as she has made fantastic progress in reading. Aleena tries really hard in her phonics and is now confident to segment and blend new words. Well done Aleena!

Class 2 – Otters Class Learner of the Week is **Sana** as she has had a fantastic start to Term 5, and has given her all with every task. Sana has wowed us with her great knowledge of fractions, and has really enjoyed our science lesson this week. A great week Sana – keep up the good work!

Class 3 – Puffins Class Learner of the Week is **Richard**! Richard is a happy, polite and helpful member of our class, and has remained focussed during lessons. His confidence has grown and he has made fantastic progress. Richard has demonstrated great listening and effort during PE. Well done Richard!

Class 4 – **Gracie** is Penguins Class Learner of the Week as she has been an absolute superstar, and had an amazing start to Term 5! Gracie has impressed us with her understanding of decimals, and amazed us with her wonderful reading skills. She demonstrates our Christian values daily and is a delight to have in class. Well done Grace!

Class 5 – Our Learner of the Week in Orcas Class as started Term 5 with a much-improved mindset and has been really focused on their learning in all areas this week. They have applied themselves well to spelling and reading activities, and shown resilience in maths. Keep up the great work – we are very proud of you!

Class 6 – **Mileigh** is our Learner of the Week in Seahorses Class as she has been working really hard in every subject, and is beginning to grow her wings ready for the transition to secondary school. Mileigh has been working on building up an amazing vocabulary bank in English, and shown great perseverance in maths. She is a kind, helpful and thoughtful member of our class. Well done Mileigh – keep it up!

GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

1st – **Class 2** – 90 points

2nd – **Class R** – 87 points

3rd – **Class 3** – 80 points

The winning House
for
best attendance this
week is.....

LANG !!

HOUSE POINTS

1st – **RAMSEY** – 110 points

2nd – **LANG** – 98 points

3rd – **FISHER** – 88 points

4th – **TEMPLE** – 81 points

Being unkind online

It can be very easy online for children to behave in a way that they wouldn't if they were face to face with each other.

Talk to your child about how they speak to others online and encourage them to talk to people online with respect and kindness, like they would

if they were face-to-face. How they act online should be how they behave on the school playground when they are following school rules. Here are some examples of what being unkind looks like online:



- Sending nasty or hurtful messages
- Leaving unkind comments
- Sharing photographs of somebody else without their permission
- Excluding somebody on purpose
- Impersonating somebody with a fake account
- Telling/sharing lies

The above might happen whilst your child is gaming online or whilst using social media or messaging apps e.g. WhatsApp.

Top Internet Manners



Internet Matters have produced a list of 'manners' that we all should follow to create a safer and kinder online world:
<https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/top-internet-manners/>

What should I do if my child is being bullied online?

Ensure that your child understands that if they receive unkind messages or see something that worries them, they should not reply or engage in conversation with the perpetrator. Instead, they should tell a trusted adult. You can use the tools within an app to report any offensive or hurtful content as well as block people so they cannot contact you again in the future.

Further information

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/kids/i-want-help-with/how-do-i-know-if-im-being-mean-online>

Mrs Debbie Morris – Family Liaison Officer

A little
consideration,
a little thought for others,
makes all the difference.
-Eeyore

Term 5 2024

Monday 22nd April:

Tuesday 23rd April:

KS2 Multi-Skills & Athletics Club

St Georges Day

Wednesday 24th April:

Thursday 25th April:

SEND Coffee Morning – 9:00am

KS1 Multi-Skills & Athletics Club

Friday 26th April:

Lunch Menu – Week 2

Week beginning Monday 22nd April 2024

Please follow the link below to register and pay for your child's meals:

<https://chandcoparents.myschoolmealorders.com/login>

£2.67 per day – All meals must be paid in advance

YOUR MENU THIS WEEK

WEEK TWO

WEEK COMMENCING

22/04/2024 – 13/05/2024 – 03/06/2024 –
24/06/2024 – 15/07/2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Veggie enchilada (gluten) (vg)	Chicken meatballs in tomato sauce with pasta (gluten)	Roast gammon & gravy	Chicken curry with rice (may contain gluten)	Battered fish fillet (fish, gluten)
MAIN MEAL TWO	French bread pizza (gluten, milk, may contain soya) (v)	Lentil dhal with rice (may contain gluten) (vg)	Meatfree sausage with gravy (soya) (vg)	Mac n cheese (gluten, milk) (v)	Cheese & onion pasty (gluten, milk) (v)
DESSERT	Baked half jacket, coleslaw (egg) peas, Homemade bread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) Salad	Broccoli, Homemade bread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) Salad	Roast potatoes carrots & cabbage Homemade bread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) Salad	Sweetcorn, Tomato & garlic bread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) Salad	Chips, Baked beans, peas, Homemade bread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) Salad
PUDDINGS	Iced sponge (egg, gluten, milk, soya) (v)	Fruit crumble (gluten) & custard (milk) (v)	Raspberry Mousse (milk) (v)	Vanilla cake with peaches (egg, gluten, milk, soya) (v)	Vanilla cookie (gluten) (vg)

Available daily

Jacket potatoes with beans, cheese (milk), fresh fruit v – vegetarian vg – vegan

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE SHOULD INGREDIENTS BE UNAVAILABLE

As always, please don't hesitate to make contact via email or telephone with any queries, comments or concerns you may have.

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