

Dover St Mary's Church of England Primary School

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Friday, 1st April 2022

A Message from Ms Comfort

End of Term 4

Goodness me this term seems to have flown by! And what extraordinary weather we have experienced over the last two days - here's hoping for some calmer warmer weather as we head into the Easter Holidays.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff for their commitment and hard work and the children for theirs too. Thank you also to families for your continued support.

Easter Raffle

There was great excitement in the school hall on Wednesday morning when the Easter raffle draw took place. There were some amazing prizes to be had (see picture below) and I would like to say a huge thank you to Lisa Coward and Mrs Trelfer who worked so hard to make this great fundraising idea so successful. The raffle raised an amazing **£426** for school funds.



Thank you very much to all the retailers (below) for their generosity in contributing the prizes:-

Aspendos
The Charmaine
Cineworld
Dover Leisure Centre
The Entertainer
Greggs
Gosh it Yarn
Hunters
Kaspas
Katherine's Reflexology Treatments
Lavender and Rosebuds
Misused Cocktails
Silk Hair Salon
Silver Screen
Soothicity Massage
Various School Staff
The Works

Easter Service

Thank you to the staff and children for preparing and delivering a delightful Easter Service at St Mary's Church this week. Thank you to those family members who were able to join us for this important event in our Church school calendar.

Class 5 Mini Police Cadets

Congratulations go to twelve intrepid mini police cadets who graduated this week from our first Mini Police Cadet Programme. Their graduation certificates were presented to them in front of their classmates and family members at a special celebration. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing all the exciting things that they have been doing. The children will have the opportunity to visit the Police Station at a later date and we look forward to the second group of cadets beginning their training.

Attendance Letters

As you know, the school closely monitors pupil attendance and it is important for you to be aware of your child's current attendance. Regular attendance is crucial if our pupils are to be successful. You will all have received your Child's attendance letter for Terms 1, 2, 3 and 4. Meetings will be arranged in the new team if there is a concern about your child's attendance. We look forward to welcoming back all our pupils on **Tuesday, 19th April**.

Living with Covid

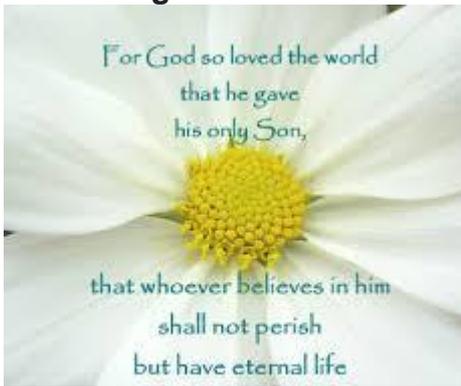
Today we enter the next phase of 'living with Covid'. As you will all know Lateral Flow Tests are no longer freely available although you may have some at home which you can use or purchase if you wish. As you will see below, the focus now will be symptoms rather than test results.

The latest Department for Education guidance is overleaf for your attention.

I wish you all a lovely Easter break and look forward to seeing you back at school at the start of the summer term.

Ms H Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Thought for the week



Class Photographs

Remember that the online cut off Date for orders of the class photograph to be placed for free postage back to the school is **6th April 2022**.



Term 5

Please note that children and staff return to school on **Tuesday, 19th April**. We look forward to seeing all children back at school ready to continue with their learning.

COVID-19 Updated Guidance

Children and young people who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school, college or childcare when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend. Children and young people with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days, which is when they are most infectious.

Adults with the symptoms of a respiratory infection, and who have a high temperature or feel unwell, should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people until they feel well enough to resume normal activities and they no longer have a high temperature. Adults with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 5 days, which is when they are most infectious.

Learners of the Week

Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week:

Class R - Willow - Willow always shows a positive attitude towards her learning and will try her best, even if she finds something tricky! She is a kind friend to others and enjoys sharing her learning with the class. Keep up the good work Willow - we are super proud of you!

Class 1 - Brian - Brian worked really hard in science this week, learning about omnivores, herbivores and carnivores. He has worked hard on counting in 2s. Well done!

Class 2 - Aurora - She has settled into St Mary's brilliantly. Aurora has tried her best all week, listening carefully to what is expected of her. She has demonstrated beautiful handwriting during her writing tasks and has taken extreme care with every piece of work. She has demonstrated our Christian values of friendship, peace and perseverance as well. Well done Aurora - a fantastic week.

Class 3 - Aria - Perseverance in maths with fractions and being a kind friend to her new classmate.

Class 4 - Pasha-Mai - For her positive attitude and hard work. Pasha has tried her best with all her learning this week and produced some fantastic work making both Miss Sayer and Miss Wrench very proud. Pasha is a kind and thoughtful member of the class who has beautiful manners and is an amazing friend to her peers. Well Done Pasha, keep up the great work!

Class 5 - Roman - This person has become a fantastic and dedicated learner and reader. He has come into a class with a big smile on his face and always brings in his reading record early to show all his progress. He is a pleasure to teach! We are so proud of you Roman.

Class 6 - Ethan - Ethan goes above and beyond in all his work, asking for extra homework. He is helpful to peers and adults in the class

- Class R – 87%
- Class 1 - 78%
- Class 2 - 90%
- Class 3 - 82%
- Class 4 - 95%
- Class 5 - 80%
- Class 6 - 88%



Whole school – 86%

HOUSE POINTS

- 1st – **Temple** – 149 points
- 2nd – **Lang** – 140 points
- 3rd – **Ramsay** – 138 points
- 4th – **Fisher** – 131 points

WINNER OF TERM 4

Lang - 405 Points



GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

- 7th Class 1 – 47 points
- 6th Class 2 – 50 points
- 5th – Class 4 – 75 points
- 4th – Class R - 80 points
- 3rd – Class 3 – 90 points
- 2nd – Class 6 – 100 points
- 1st – Class 5 - 111 points

ALL MEALS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE

Lunch Menu - Week 1
Week beginning Tuesday, 19th April

£2.33 per day

Follow the link below to view the menu:

<https://www.st-marys-dover.kent.sch.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=979&type=pdf>

To pay for your meals online, please go to:

www.principals-catering.com

RECEPTION CLASS 2022

Whilst the deadline to apply to the Local Authority for a place in our new Reception class has passed, we can assist with late applications so do please get in touch if you or someone you know has a child due to start school.

WORD OWL

Class 6

482 Quizzes

Word Wizard

Class 4

Over 482

Quizzes

Happy Easter!



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<https://www.st-marys-dover.kent.sch.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/St-Marys-C-of-E-Primary-School-820857021275490/>

<https://twitter.com/stmarysdover>

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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