

Dover St Mary's Church of England Primary School



Learning for life with God as our guide

Friday, 14th October 2022



Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



A Message from Ms Comfort

An Inspector Calls!

As you will know from previous newsletters we welcomed Ms Liz Pettersen into school on Wednesday. She was with us for the day to carry out our Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS) inspection, this is an inspection which all Church schools have approximately every five years and is in addition to OFSTED inspections which all schools – including Church schools - have.

Ms Pettersen spent the day interviewing Senior Leaders, Governors, parents as well as children and staff. She visited all classes to see the children at work and also joined us for Collective Worship.

The outcome of the inspection cannot be shared at the moment until the report is published; we expect this to be a week or so after half term and I very much look forward to being able to share it with you all.

Celebrating Black History Month

Black History Month is celebrated across this globe in the month of October. At St Mary's CEP, each class has chosen a significant figure that links to this year's theme, 'Black Health and Wellness.' They will each be exploring the life of the individual and creating a multitude of learning to be proudly displayed in the school hall.

Learning about Black History provides great opportunities to reflect on the key moments in history and in today's society. It is important to celebrate the contributions of everyone to our communities and support multiculturalism and diversity that shapes them. It gives pupils a chance to discuss inspirational black people throughout history, that future generations can look up to. We cannot wait to see what learning the children produce!

Restart a Heart

Earlier this week, Class Six had the opportunity to take part in an exciting workshop, 'Restart a Heart'. The children were taught about what CPR is, when it is needed and how to safely perform it. The children were given the opportunity to practise role play situations where giving CPR was required. As part of the workshop, the children also learnt about the recovery position and using a defibrillator. The children had a great time learning about such an important skill – definitely a workshop to remember!

Free School Meal Vouchers during Half Term

We have been advised by Kent County Council (KCC) today that families who have children entitled to Free School Meals will receive a £10 supermarket voucher for each child for the half term holiday. We will be issuing these to families using the Wonde system – as we have before. We have also been advised that the same families will be issued with a £50 energy voucher although KCC is not yet sure how schools are to issue these. I will let you know as soon as I do.

It is important that all families who are entitled to Free School Meals apply for them so that they do not miss out on these additional benefits. If you are not sure please speak to the school office staff or to Hayley Lamb our FLO.

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Ms Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Year 6 Parent / Carer Consultations

Our Year 6 Parent / Carer consultations are taking place on Wednesday, 19th and Thursday, 20th October 2022 between 3.30pm and 5.50pm. Please remember to book your appointment via the Parentmail app by 2.00pm on Monday 17th October. Please contact the school office on 01304 206887 if you need help to do this.

Year R - September 2023

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2018 and 31st August 2019? If so they will be eligible to start school in September 2023. We welcome families to book an appointment to come and have a look around our school at a time to suit. Please spread the word to anyone you know with a child of the right age.

Learners of the Week

Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week:



Class R - Celeste is Turtles Learner of the Week. She comes into school every day with a smile on her face, ready to learn. Celeste always tries her best and has gained lots of confidence when answering questions during learning time.

Class 1 - Wade is our Learner of the Week in Starfish class. He has made a fantastic effort in his writing this week, and enjoyed sharing his ideas with the class. Well done Wade!

Class 2 - Otters Learner of the Week is Anfroi. He has had a fantastic week and has created some great food chains in Science. He has shown that he is a whizz in maths and has enjoyed taking on challenges to be the best that he can be!

Class 3 - Eliza is Puffins Learner of the Week as she puts 100% effort into whatever she is doing. She perseveres and keeps trying her best when she finds things challenging at times. We are very proud of you Eliza!

Class 4 - Phoebe S is Penguins' Learner of the Week as she has shown an amazing attitude towards all of our learning. She is always a kind friend to others, willing to help anyone she works alongside.

Class 5 - Anita is Orcas Learner of the Week as she has shown great perseverance in all of her subjects. She worked really hard in maths this week and showed wonderful improvement. Well done Anita!

Class 6 - Learner of the Week in Seahorses class is Kara. She always tries her best with her learning in class and has created some wonderful pieces of work this week that she should be proud of. She always follows our school rules and sets a great example to others. Well done Kara!

Collective Worship at St Mary's CEP

In our collective worship this week we learned about people whose faith helped them to make a real change in the world.

Do you know how George Cadbury used his faith to build a better future for the employees of the family chocolate business in the early part of the last century? You can find out more following this link:

<https://yourstory.com/2016/09/story-of-george-cadbury/amp>

We also learnt about Martin Luther King Jnr, Harriet Tubman and Cecil Jackson-Cole, all of whom had strong faiths which helped them to help others.

Perhaps you could chat with your child about what *they* have done this week to make a positive difference at home or school?

GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

1st - **Class 2** - 108 points

2nd - **Class 4** - 90 points

3rd - **Class R** - 88 points



HOUSE POINTS

1st - **FISHER** - 194 points

2nd - **LANG** - 171 points

3rd - **TEMPLE** - 168 points

4th - **RAMSEY** - 130 points

Class 2 Family Collective Worship

Class 2 shared their learning about the Polar region with us in Collective worship today. They also enjoyed telling a story about arctic animals to their families and the rest of the school.



Class R - 94.5%

Class 1 - 89.6%

Class 2 - 76.7%

Class 3 - 82.9%

Class 4 - 82.3%

Class 5 - 95.4%

Class 6 - 86.7%

Whole school
86.9%



The week ahead...

Monday 17th October:

Tuesday 18th October: Football club

Wednesday 19th October: Year 6 Swimming,
Year 6 Parent / Carer Consultations

Thursday 20th October: Multi-skills club,
Year 6 Parent / Carer Consultations

Friday 21st October: **Last day of Term 1**



Monday 31st October: Inset Day

Tuesday 1st November: **First day of Term 2**

Coronavirus Symptoms

On Tuesday 29 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, Sajid Javid, set out the next steps for living with COVID-19 in England from Friday, 1 April.

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.

Follow these links to our website and social media

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

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

<https://twitter.com/stmarysdover>

Go with the FLO...

This year National Baking Week falls between the 14th and 20th October.

Here's a few reasons why baking at home has other benefits than just eating the yummy creations!

1. Baking stimulates the senses
2. Nourishing activities feel good
3. Cooking is meditative
4. Baking is creative
5. Baking makes other people happy.



For Mini Quiche Recipe, and lots more recipe ideas follow the links below:

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/mini-quiches>

<https://www.bbcgoodfood.com/recipes/collection/kids-baking-recipes>

Thought for the Week



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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Lunch Menu - Week 2
Week beginning Monday 17th October

£2.43 per day – All meals must be paid in advance

To pay for your meals online, please go to: www.principals-catering.com

YOUR MENU THIS WEEK

WEEK COMMENCING
05.09.2022
26.09.2022
17.10.2022
14.11.2022
05.12.2022
09.01.2023
30.01.2023



Available daily

WEEK TWO

Handmade Bread (1,3,6,11), Fresh Salad & Fruit
Also Available, Daily Jacket Potatoes with Beans, Cheese (1)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Mac & cheese (v) (1,3)	Chicken meatballs with tomato sauce	Roast turkey with gravy	Cottage pie (1,3)	Fish fingers (2,3) Or Salmon fishcakes. (2,3)
PLANT POWER	Vegetable burrito with potato wedges (v) (1)	Lentil & bean casserole (v) (1)(MC 3)	Autumn vegetable cobbler (v) (1,3)	Vegetarian cottage pie (v) (1,3,6)	Roasted squash & pepper frittata (1,11) (v)
SIDES	Sweetcorn & peas Side salad	50/50 rice Carrots Green beans	Roast potatoes (mc.13) Medley of vegetables	Cauliflower (v) Broccoli (v)	Chips (v) baked beans (v) peas (v)
PUDDINGS	Fruit medley	Orchard fruit crumble with vanilla sauce (v) (1,3)	Yoghurt. (v) (1)	Berry ripple sponge (v)(1,3,11,12) with custard (1)	Golden syrup & ginger biscuit (v) (3)

Allergen Key: 1. Milk, 2. Fish, 3. Gluten, 4. Peanuts, 5. Tree nuts, 6. Soya, 7. Sesame, 8. Lupin, 9. Shellfish, 10. Molluscs, 11. Egg, 12. Sulphite, 13. Celery, 14. Mustard.

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE SHOULD INGREDIENTS BE UNAVAILABLE

