Dover St Mary's Church of England Primary School

Learning for life with God as our guide

Friday, 21st October 2022

Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance

A Message from Ms Comfort

Term 1 seems to have flown by and here we are already at the end of it!

As we break for the half term holiday I would like to thank all children and staff for their hard work over the last seven weeks, and to thank parent/carers and families for their ongoing support.

Year 6 Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings

Year 6 parent/carers met with Miss Loges and Mrs Wallis for parent/teacher consultation meetings this week. We always meet with your Year 6 families at this time in order to be available to support them with the application process for secondary school. The deadline for applying for a secondary school place is midnight on Monday 31st October, applications are made online at:

https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places

Year 6 parent/carers, please make sure that you have submitted your application in time.

Year R – 5 Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings

Consultation meetings for children in all other classes will take place on Tuesday 8th and Thursday 10th November in the school hall. You have already received a letter through our Parentmail system inviting you to book an appointment – if you have not done so please do, if you need help booking then contact the school office.

We look forward to welcoming you all into school for these meetings; as well as speaking with the class teacher you will be able to look at your child's school work. Mr Lamprell and I will also be available, as will Mrs Wallis. Mrs Marsh, our SENCO, will be in attendance on Thursday 10th. You are very welcome to speak with any of us – even if just to say hello!

Free School Meal Vouchers

A reminder that those of you with children entitled to Free School Meals will receive your voucher from Wonde today - Friday, 21st October. The link to access this will be sent to the email address and mobile we hold on our school records. If you do not already have an account with Wonde the link will provide you with a short process to create your account and access your voucher. Once created you will be given a selection of local supermarkets to choose from.

Half term Holiday and Staff INSET

School closes on Friday 21st October for the half-term holiday. Staff have a training day on Monday 31st October so school remains closed to children. All children are to return to school on Tuesday 1st November; we look forward to seeing you all then.

I wish you all a good half term break.

Ms Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

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 – Riley C is Turtles Learner of the Week! He comes into school every day with a smile on his face, dancing or jumping, ready to learn. Riley has wowed us in Literacy with his super reading and fantastic story telling. Well done Riley!

Class 1 – Learner of the Week in Starfish class is **Zala.** She has been a great friend this week, and ALWAYS works so hard, trying her best in everything she does.

Class 2 – Jayden is Otters' Learner of the Week for trying his best with every task. He is always ready to learn and offers some fantastic ideas during our class discussions. Well done Jayden!

Class 3 – Gracie is our shining light for others in Puffins class. She has a very positive attitude to her work which can be inspiring for her peers. She listens carefully in lessons and has gained great confidence in sharing her ideas.

Class 4 – Mia is Penguins' Learner of the Week as she has been an absolute star towards all of our learning. She tries her best with every task, listens intently and always works to the best of her ability. Well done Mia!

Class 5 – Katie is Orca's Learner of the Week as she has really flourished with her English writing! We are all very proud of her consistent attitude towards her learning. Well done Katie!

Class 6 – Our Learner of the Week in Seahorses class has been an absolute superstar! They are a kind, happy and friendly member of the class and are always smiling. They come into school each day and are ready to tackle any learning that comes their way. They are a pleasure to teach and are a valued member of our class.

Collective Worship at St Mary's CEP

The people of faith and the people that made a difference that we have looked at so far this term in our Collective Worship have been people who have had to be prepared to stand up for what they believe. This week we thought about how that is not too difficult if people stand with you and beside you but is not so easy when you find yourself standing alone and speaking alone.

Christians believe that the prophets in the Old Testament were the people whom God sent to give his message. Very often they found that people did not want to listen or laughed at them or even attacked them.

We explored the Bible story about the prophet Jonah. Jonah knew that the message God wanted him to give the people would be unpopular so he ran away and hid before eventually doing as he had been asked.

You could talk to your child about how to speak up if they see anything that they know is wrong. In our Collective Worship we wondered about whether it is sometimes easier to pretend you did not see the wrong thing and go the other way as Jonah did.

Class R – 92.0%
Class 1 – 90.2%
Class 2 – 81.2%
Class 3 – 84.0%
Class 4 – 78.6%
Class 5 – 89.7%
Class 6 – 80.7%

Whole school 85.2%

GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

1st – Class 5 – 88 points
Joint 2nd – Classes 3 & 4 – 90 points
3rd – Class R – 79 points

HOUSE POINTS

1st – LANG – 128 points
2nd – TEMPLE – 104 points
3rd – RAMSEY – 98 points
4th – FISHER – 96 points

Pupil Photos – Reminder

If you would like to order your child's school photo, the cut-off date for free delivery back to the school is

Wednesday 26th October

Thought for the Week

Term 2 - 2022

Monday 31st October:
Staff INSET Day – no children in school

Tuesday 1st November:
First day of Term 2
Football club

Wednesday 2nd November:

Thursday 3rd November:
Multi-skills club

Friday 4th November:

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…

The Children's Half Term Packed Lunch Scheme is back at Bechange Community Hub in Aylesham. Lunches are available between Monday 24th October and Thursday 27th October.

There will also be children's options at their Light Bites Lunch on Friday 28th October.

You MUST register for this scheme and collect your pre-ordered lunch from the Bechange Community Hub. You **do not** have to be receiving free school meals to access this scheme.

For more information please contact Bechange on 01304 840134 or click on the link below:

https://bechange.org.uk/

Wishing you all a restful half term!

Miss Hayley Lamb - Family Liaison Officer

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.

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 3

Week beginning Monday 31st October

£2.43 per day – All meals <u>must</u> be paid in advance

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

YOUR MENU THIS WEEK

WEEK COMMENCING
12.09.2022
03.10.2022
31.10.2022
21.11.2022
12.12.2022
16.01.2023
06.02.2023

Love the food that loves you back

Available daily

WEEK THREE

Handmade Bread (1,3,6,11), Fresh Salads & Whole Fruit, Jacket Potatoes with Beans, Cheese (1)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Roasted vegetable pasta bake (v) (1,3)	Traditional beef & vegetable pie with gravy (1,3)	Roast Gammon & gravy	Chicken goujons with bbq sauce (3)	Fish fingers (2,3)
PLANT POWER	Smoky vegetable & cheese pizza (v) (1,3,6) (mc.11)	Butternut squash & red pepper pie (v)(3)	Quorn sausages & gravy(v) (3)	Vegetable & bean wrap (v) (3)	Cheese, potato & onion pie (v) (1,3)
SIDES	Half a jacket Sweetcorn & pepper Coleslaw (11) Peas	Mash(v) (mc.13) Cauliflower Green beans	Roast potatoes (mc.13) Green cabbage Carrots	Potato wedges Sweetcorn Broccoli	Chips Baked beans Peas
PUDDINGS	Ice cream/ yoghurt (1)	Oat cookie (1,3) with a glass of milk (1)	Chocolate & fruit rice pudding. (v) (1)	Winter fruit sponge with custard (1,3,11,12)	Krispie cake (v) (1,3,6)

Allergn 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