

Dover St Mary's Church of England Primary School



Learning for life with God as our guide

Friday, 4th November 2022



Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance



A Message from Ms Comfort

Good News!

I am extremely pleased to be able to share with you all today the report which has been published following our recent SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) on 12th October 2022.

Inspector Liz Pettersen spent the day at school visiting classes, speaking with children and staff, observing teaching and learning, joining in with Collective Worship, interviewing governors and parent/carers and looking at the children's workbooks – it was a very thorough inspection! The key question which Ms Pettersen was finding the answer to was:

'How effective is the school's distinctive Christian vision, established and promoted by leadership at all levels, in enabling pupils and adults to flourish?'

I am delighted to be able to tell you all that Ms Pettersen was extremely impressed with what she found and has written us a glowing report which I am sending out to you today along with this week's newsletter. The report will also be published on our school website.

Some key messages within the report are outlined below for your information.

The intrinsic value and worth of everyone as being a shining light is a key message shared through worship.

The unique value of each pupil and adult is at the heart of the school's pastoral care.

Pupils are seen as partners in developing the school community.

... an inclusive environment where new pupils are welcomed, no pupil is left out and discrimination and unkindness of any sort are not tolerated by pupils or adults.

The intrinsic worth in everyone to be a shining light is contributing to creating a flourishing environment for all.

Adults consistently model trust and respect in their interactions with pupils.

A curriculum has been devised that enables all pupils to shine.

The success of the academic provision is paralleled by a drive to personal wholeness.

... it is times of stillness and quiet within worship that provide an exceptional point of reflection on personal lives and provide profoundly spiritual moments for all.

Specific 'wow' moments planned within topics, as well as practical experience ensures that the needs of all are met.

Within the safe place of the classroom the pupils are able to thrive and freely express their opinions.

The school's vision and values and accompanying biblical narrative are enabling pupils to thrive in this caring and aspirational community.

Collective worship is a treasured time at the start of the school day when the community gathers. It is fully inclusive allowing those of religious faiths and none to participate.

Ms Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Collective Worship at St Mary's CEP

On Monday we welcomed the school community back together for the start of a new term and thought about all the things we would like to achieve between now and Christmas.

On Wednesday Revd Catherine Tucker led us in thinking about wisdom. We considered the value of wisdom and thought about how it has so much more value than jewels and gold or anything money can buy.

Christians believe that the Bible is one of the places they can go to get God's wisdom, advice or guidance. Perhaps you and your child(ren) could talk about what might happen in our world if/when people do not act wisely?

Reception Class 2023

Applications for our Reception Class 2023 open today, you can apply online at:

www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/primary-school-places

We are very pleased to offer tours of the school for prospective new families – please telephone the school office to make an appointment. Mr Lamprell has already shown a number of prospective families around and has received very positive feedback from them.

Go with the FLO...



The Sunrise Cafe is a community cafe where there is kindness, friendship, sharing and true community spirit with meals being prepared, cooked and served by our experienced cooks and supported by wonderful volunteers!

Professionally run as a social enterprise for the benefit of the whole Dover community, the Sunrise Cafe offers affordable food in a warm environment where everyone matters, where everyone is valued and where everyone is included.

Their current menu includes a full cooked breakfast from 8:00am until 11:30am, mid-morning coffee and cake, plus two-course lunch served until 1:45pm. They also hope to be able to offer after school meals for families one day a week. Take a look at their menu!

https://www.sunrisecafedover.org/files/ugd/7bfc39_f90464bca38e428d8bb50465cd78fe86.pdf

How does the Sunrise Cafe work?

They operate a 'pay what you can afford' model so that no one goes hungry. Their goal is to provide tasty food for all, including those who are hungry and struggling to put meals on the table for themselves or their families in the Dover area.

https://www.deal.gov.uk/Deal_Warm_Welcome_43629.aspx

Miss Hayley Lamb – Family Liaison Officer

Learners of the Week

Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week:

Class R – Scarlett is Turtles Learner of the Week. In Literacy this week, Scarlett has enjoyed using stick puppets to re-tell the story of The Gingerbread Man. Well done Scarlett!

Class 1 – Our Learner of the Week in Starfish class is **Levi**. He has been working so hard at his presentation and writing his letters so neatly. We can really see his progress. A big WELL DONE!

Class 2 – Brian W is our Learner of the Week in Otter's class as he has been an all-round superstar. He engages with every task, giving 100% to his learning. Brian has enjoyed our Science lesson, investigating food chains and labelling each organism, as well as explaining how energy is transferred.

Class 3 – Puffins Learner of the Week is **Aiden B**. Aiden likes to challenge himself, especially with his writing. He is a very kind, respectful and helpful member of our class, and always has a positive attitude and a smile for those around him.

Class 4 – Zain is Penguins' Learner of the Week as he has returned to school with a wonderful attitude. He is focussed and is keen to do his best in all lessons. Well done Zain! A brilliant week.

Class 5 – Our Learner of the Week this week goes to someone who has shown perseverance in their lessons, and was the first person to get the correct answer in our Maths Challenge. **Keatyn** has had a really good week in maths, and always has a bright smile on her face

Class 6 – Seahorses Learner of the Week is **Vicky**. She has been a superstar learner in all her subjects and has made us all very proud! Vicky has shown great perseverance in maths when solving calculations using the order of operations. Keep up the hard work Vicky!



Term 2 – 2022

Monday 7th November:

Tuesday 8th November:

Football club

Swimming – Class 5

**Parent / Carer Consultations Classes R, 1, 2, 3
& 5**

Wednesday 9th November:

Swimming – Class 5

Parent / Carer Consultations - Class 4

Thursday 10th November:

Multi-skills club

Parent / Carer Consultations – Classes R to 5

Friday 11th November:

Year 4 Family Collective Worship

Parent/Carer Consultation Meetings Classes R-5

We look forward to seeing you at school on Tuesday 8th and Thursday 10th November for Classes R, 1, 2, 3 and 5, and Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th November for Class 4, for your meeting with your child's class teacher. Please come to the Laureston Place entrance, your meeting will be in the school hall.

GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

1st – Class 4 – 95 points

2nd – Class 2 – 65 points

3rd – Class R – 53 points



Class R – 86.7%

Class 1 – 84.0%

Class 2 – 77.1%

Class 3 – 83.4%

Class 4 – 85.8%

Class 5 – 91.1%

Class 6 – 96.2%

**Whole school
86.3%**

HOUSE POINTS

1st – RAMSEY – 89 points

2nd – LANG – 84 points

3rd – FISHER – 78 points

4th – TEMPLE – 75 points

Thought for the Week

DON'T
STOP
UNTIL
YOU'RE
PROUD

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>

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 1
Week beginning Monday 7th November

£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
 29.08.2022
 19.09.2022
 10.10.2022
 07.11.2022
 28.11.2022
 02.01.2023
 23.01.2023

WEEK ONE

Available daily

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

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Cheese & tomato pizza. (v) (1,3,6)(mc.11)	Beef bolognese with 50/50 pasta (3)	Roast chicken & gravy	Pork sausage hot dog with ketchup (3,12)(mc.7)	Fish fingers (2,3)
PLANT POWER	Chickpea, spinach & potato curry with 50/50 rice. (v) (1)(mc.13)	Red lentil & vegetable bolognese. (v) (1,3)	Cheesy cauliflower & squash bake. (v) (1,3,14)	Quorn hot dog with ketchup. (v) (1,3,11)(mc.7)	Broccoli, tomato & cheddar topped focaccia. (v) (1,3)
SIDES	Sweetcorn Baked beans Garlic & herb potatoes (mc.13)	Carrots Green beans	Roast potatoes (mc.13) Medley of vegetables	Baked potato wedges Sweetcorn Winter slaw	Chips Baked beans Peas
PUDDINGS	Cherry & vanilla shortbread (1,3)	Marbled sponge with chocolate sauce (1,3,11)	Rice pudding with fruit compote (1)	Wholemeal caramel apple crumble & custard (1,3)	Fruit jelly (12)

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

