St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Dover

Learning for life with God as our guide

Friday, 3rd November 2023

Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance

A Message from Ms Comfort

Welcome to Term 2 which has certainly started with a bang! As I write this on Friday morning the sun is shining and the air is still – a very sharp contrast to this time yesterday. I thank David Trelfer, our Site Manager, for his efforts in assessing the site today and clearing up the debris.

Staff Training

Staff training on Monday was about ways in which we can continue to support all of our children with their behavioural needs, including those who, for whatever reason, find aspects of life – including school - more challenging.

Some really important messages for us all to think about:

1. All behaviour is a form of communication and is often an attempt to control the environment in which we find ourselves.
2. No child comes to school with the sole aim to deliberately disrupt.
3. Children that need the most love often ask for it in the most unlovable of ways – we all need to be their hope, to be their change and to be there for them.

As a staff team we work tirelessly to meet the needs of *all* member of our school community. We recognise that when a child presents with challenging behaviour at school this will have an effect on other members of the school community. We therefore work to keep everyone safe, to minimise the impact of behaviour, to avoid crisis, to help the child to return to a calm state and to learn to self-regulate their behaviour where they can.

We work with the whole class to help children who do not struggle with managing their own behaviour to understand that we are all different. Each of us has a variety of needs and therefore things need to be done differently for some people – and that is ok.

Reception Class 2024

Do you have a child born between **1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020?** If so they will be eligible to start school in September 2024. We invite families to book an appointment to come and have a look around our school at a time to suit. Please contact the office: 01304 206887 / office@stmarysprimary.net

Wishing you all a good weekend.

Ms Helen Comfort - Executive Headteacher

HOUSE POINTS

1st – TEMPLE – 223 points
2nd – LANG – 221 points
3rd – FISHER – 203 points
4th – RAMSEY – 199 points

The winning House for best attendance this week is……

LANG !!

GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

1st – Class 2 – 65 points

Joint 2nd – Class 1, Class 5 & Class 6 – 60 points

Collective Worship at St Mary's CEP School, Dover

This week Reverend Catherine hosted our Collective Worship, with the theme of 'saints'. All Saints' Day is a chance for Christians to remember the saints and martyrs who dedicated their lives to Christianity.

The children reflected on how certain people became a saint by looking after others and being kind.

Thought for the Week

Our beliefs become our thoughts.

Our thoughts become our words.

Our words become our habits.

Our habits become our values.

Our values become our destiny.

--Gandhi

Learner of the Week

Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week:

Class R – Turtles Class Learner of the Week is **Evie** as she always tries her best, is a kind friend to others and has shown good listening skills during carpet time. Evie has also wowed us with her brilliant counting and number recognition skills in Maths. Well done Evie!

Class 1 – Tobias is our Learner of the Week in Starfish Class as he always tries his best in our phonics lessons. Thomas is a kind friend to others and is always helpful and polite. He is a reading superstar and we are proud of the effort he has made, and are confident he will continue to build solid reading skills. Well done Tobias!

Class 2 – Otters Class Learner of the Week is **Leo**! Leo has tried his best with his learning this week and has worked hard when reading with Mrs Mold. He has been a superstar when subtracting from a ten in our maths lessons. We are very proud of you Leo – keep up the great work!

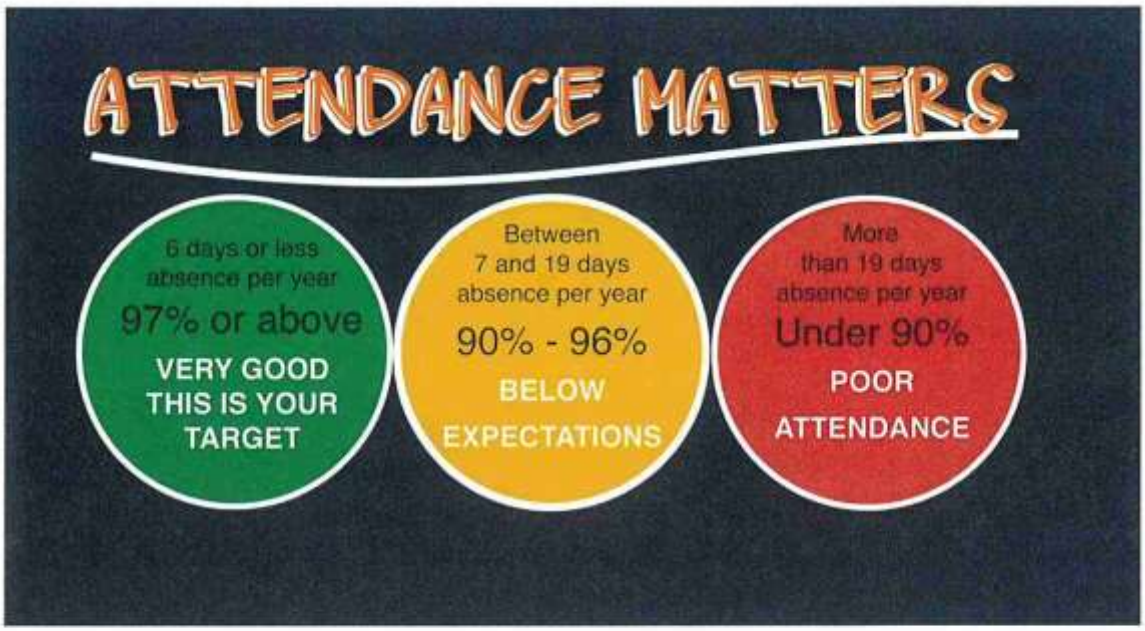
Class 3 – Our Learner of the Week in Puffins Class is **Jay** as he is an enthusiastic learner and is always ready to learn. Jay is a good friend to everyone and never hesitates to support his peers, especially in maths. Jay has shown good perseverance when trying to improve his score in his ready assessment. Well done Jay, we are very proud of you!

Class 4 – **Aidan** is Penguins Class Learner of the Week as he has returned to school with a wonderful attitude. He is focussed and keen to do his best in all lessons. Aidan has worked hard in English, and also drawn a wonderful Chinese dragon for our 'Art Part'. Well done Aidan – a brilliant week!

Class 5 – **Dolly-Ann** is Orcas Class Learner of the Week as she has returned to school with the same positive mindset that she displayed throughout Term 1. Dolly-Ann is always willing to support her classmates with their learning, and has made useful contributions this week while we have been exploring our latest non-fiction text. In maths, Dolly-Ann had a very in-depth conversation with Mrs Morris about prime numbers. We are all very proud of you Dolly-Ann!

Class 6 – **Anita** is our Learner of the Week in Seahorses Class and she ALWAYS tries exceptionally hard with her learning, and demonstrates our Christian value of perseverance, even when learning is challenging! Anita took on the role of news reporter brilliantly in our English lesson, reporting on a local robbery which involved a banana! Keep up the great work Anita!

Go with the Flo…



If you are struggling to get your child into school every day and on time, we can help and support you.

Please ring the school office to arrange an appointment with Mrs D Morris – 01304 206887

Mrs Debbie Morris – Family Liaison Officer

Term 2 2023

Monday 6th November:
Swimming – Class 5

Tuesday 7th November:
Multi-Skills Club

Wednesday 8th November:
Swimming – Class 5

Thursday 9th November:
Football Club

Friday 10th November:
Class 4 Family Collective Worship

Lunch Menu – Week 2

Week beginning Monday 6th November 2023

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 06/11/2023 – 27/11/2023 – 08/01/2024 – 29/01/2024 – 19/02/2024 – 11/03/2024

	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)
SIDES	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

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE SHOULD INGREDIENTS BE UNAVAILABLE

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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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