St Mary's Church of England Primary School, Dover

Learning for life with God as our guide

Friday, 22nd March 2024

Our Christian Values

Peace; Friendship; Respect; Trust; Perseverance

A Message from Ms Comfort

Another busy week at school draws to a close with lots of learning going on in classes, time playing outside in the sunshine (when the sun appears!) as well as a trip out for Class 6 and a Family Collective Worship for Class 1.

We are now looking ahead to the final week of this term, including Easter related events which we are holding.

Easter Egg Hunt

All tickets have now been sold and our Easter Egg Hunt will take place on the top playground on Tuesday, 26th March. Gates will be opened at 3:15pm and the event will start at 3:20pm. School staff will be there to greet you and explain the rules of the Egg Hunt!

Easter Service at St Mary's Church - Tuesday, 26th March – 9:30am

As previously mentioned, we will be holding our annual Easter Service at St Mary's Church. We look forward to seeing you on the day, from 9:20am.

Year 6 Trip – Safety in Action

Class Six attended the 'Safety in Action' trip earlier this week where they learnt all about how to stay safe in a variety of situations as they begin their next, more independent step of transitioning to secondary school. The children took part in a range of interactive talks with the Police, RNLI, Fire Brigade and organisations which discussed issues such as: peer pressure, fake news, rail safety and drugs and alcohol. Overall, the children had a successful trip and were able to take away new skills to equip them ready for their secondary school transition.

Class 1 Collective Worship

Class 1 performed to families this morning in Collective Worship. The children shared their learning about 'Castles, Kings and Queens'. The class took turns to read the story: 'The Castle the King Built' and then shared artwork and a song! Well done Class 1!

Ms Helen Comfort – Executive Headteacher

Parking in Ashen Tree Lane

Just recently, Traffic Enforcement Officers have been in attendance in Ashen Tree Lane at the end of the school day. These officers have been monitoring the cars that have been illegally parking on the double yellow lines and on the pavement. Please be aware that 1-hour free car parking is available in St James car park which is within walking distance of the school.

GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

1st – Class 6 – 132 points
2nd – Class 1 – 130 points
3rd – Class 2 – 115 points

The winning House for best attendance this week is……

RAMSEY !!

HOUSE POINTS

1st – FISHER – 189 points
2nd – LANG – 164 points
3rd – RAMSEY – 130 points
4th – TEMPLE – 128 points

Learner of the Week

Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week:

Class R – All of Turtles Class are our Learners of the Week today as they have amazed Mrs Tomkinson and Mrs Cassingena with their super writing about minibeasts and the very hungry caterpillar! It was impossible to choose just one Learner of the Week, because they were ALL stars this week!

Class 1 – Well done to the **Whole of Starfish Class** for working really hard as a team to produce a brilliant Collective Worship today! There were all very brave and grown up to stand in front of the school and visitors. Everyone worked hard to show their learning – well done Starfish Class!

Class 2 – Learner of the Week in Otters Class is **Caitlin** as she is a kind and polite member of Otters Class, and a fantastic role model to her peers. Caitlin always tries her best with everything and produces work that clearly shows the care and attention she has put in. Keep up the great work Caitlin!

Class 3 – Puffins Class Learner of the Week is **Brian** as he is a real pleasure to teach. Brian is very respectful of our Christian values, and is a delightful helper in class. Brian has particularly shone in his understanding of fractions and can explain his reasoning with great clarity, using precise vocabulary. Keep up the great work Brian!

Class 4 – **Aiden** is Penguins Class Learner of the Week as he is a keen and enthusiastic learner, always positive and willing to share his knowledge and ideas. Aiden has impressed us with his maths, and shows wonderful ability during our writing tasks. He is always honest and polite, demonstrating our Christian values 'Respect' and 'Trust'. Well done Aiden – a brilliant week!

Class 5 – Orcas Class Learner of the Week is **Gabby** as she is a reliable, committed and responsible member of our class. Gabby continues to set herself high standards, and this is reflected in the quality of work she produces in all areas. She has really enjoyed our recent art lessons and produced some lovely graffiti-style pieces. A complete asset to our class – keep being an Awesome Orca Gabby!

Class 6 – **Pasha-Mai** is our Learner of the Week in Seahorses Class for her brilliant effort in all subjects! Pasha has shown great determination to finish all set tasks and has made us all very proud. Pasha's confidence has grown so much over the year and it is wonderful to see her flourishing in her last year of primary school. She makes us laugh every day with her infectious sense of humour and her kindness. Well done Pasha-Mai!

Go with the Flo…

NELFT NHS
NHS Foundation Trust

Kent Emotional Wellbeing Teams
Medway Emotional Support Teams

Online Parent Workshops

Aimed at parents of children in primary school

Me and My Child: Understanding Resilience

Monday 25th March 5.30-7.30pm

*Workshop timings change from term to term

Would you like to come and meet with other parents and carers to reflect and generate ideas of how you can be a positive role model of resilience for your child?

You are invited to a workshop about understanding resilience and its importance in your child's development. It will help you to consider factors which can help to build your child's' resilience in the context of caring relationships.

If you would like to join, please ctrl + click the link below or by entering the Meeting ID and Passcode within Teams:

Click here to join the meeting

Meeting ID: 310 053 614 285 Passcode: kEobMM

Our workshops are held on Microsoft Teams. You can create an account for free. You will need access to the internet. If you have any questions please speak to your child's school. Currently, this workshop is only available to parents/carers of children attending an EWT/EST school. Please speak to your child's school or check our website for our list of schools.

We look forward to meeting you.

www.nelft.nhs.uk

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Family Learning Online courses starting in April, May and June 2024

Course Code	Course Title	Start	End	Day	Start Time	End Time
NL/141780/N/NC	Family Maths (to exam)	16/04/24	09/07/24	Tuesday	12:30	14:30
NL/141037/N/PF	Managing Children's Behaviour	26/04/24	17/05/24	Friday	09:30	11:30
NL/141789/N/PF	Fathers Matter	21/05/24	21/05/24	Tuesday	19:00	21:00
NL/141078/N/NC	Introduction to Working with Children	03/06/24	01/07/24	Monday	12:30	14:30

To book a place on our FREE courses go to:
www.kentadulteducation.co.uk

and click on Course Areas then Family Courses and view all

We want you to enjoy learning with us. To help us provide the best possible experience for you, please let us know if you or your child have any disabilities or particular support needs.

FREE, fun & informal courses

Kent County Council

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St Mary's CEP, Dover

FAMILY COFFEE MORNING

Are you worried about your child's Sensory needs? Are they always on the go? Do they avoid certain experiences? Can they become overwhelmed?

We will be discussing our experiences of sensory needs at home and supportive strategies to try!

Thursday 28th March at 9:00-10:00am

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Thought for the Week

Term 4 2024

Monday 25th March:
Class 5 – Viking Day

Tuesday 26th March:
Easter Service – St Mary's Church
Easter Egg Hunt – 3:15pm

Wednesday 27th March:
Class 4 – Roman Day

Thursday 28th March:
SEND Coffee Morning – 9:00am
Spectrum of Colour
Dress-Up Day

Friday 29th March:
Good Friday
SCHOOL CLOSED

Collective Worship at St Mary's CEP School, Dover

This week we have been learning about Palm Sunday and The Last Supper. We started the week thinking about when Jesus rode through Jerusalem on a donkey. The crowd cheered and shouted 'Hosanna' as Jesus passed. We thought about what would make us cheer and clap for others. Maybe a winning football goal or when we give certificates in Celebration Collective worship?

Rev. Melissa shared a painting of The Last Supper by Nebiyu Assefa. We wondered what the disciples were thinking as Jesus offered them the bread and the wine.

On Thursday we continued our amazing singing practise for the Easter Service on Tuesday. We look forward to sharing our singing with you in Church.

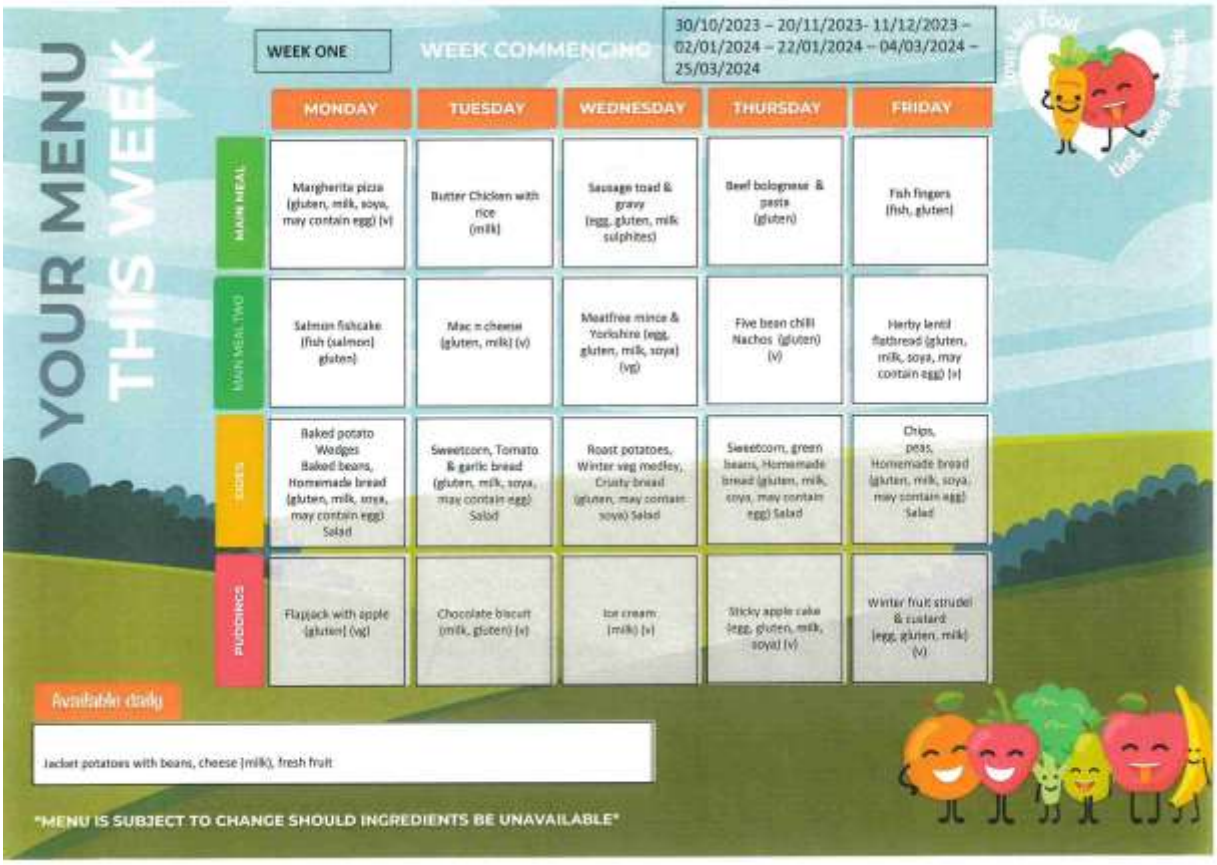
We raised a fantastic £107.95 for Comic Relief.
Thank you!

Lunch Menu – Week 1

Week beginning Monday 25th March 2024

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 ONE

WEEK COMMENCING 30/10/2023 – 20/11/2023- 11/12/2023 – 02/01/2024 – 22/01/2024 – 04/03/2024 – 25/03/2024

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN MEAL	Margherita pizza (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) (v)	Butter Chicken with rice (milk)	Sausage toad & gravy (egg, gluten, milk sulphites)	Beef bolognese & pasta (gluten)	Fish fingers (fish, gluten)
MAIN MEAL TWO	Salmon fishcake (fish (salmon) gluten)	Mac n cheese (gluten, milk) (v)	Meatfree mince & Yorkshire (egg, gluten, milk, soya) (vg)	Five bean chilli Nachos (gluten) (v)	Herby lentil flatbread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) (v)
SIDES	Baked potato Wedges Baked beans, Homemade bread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) Salad	Sweetcorn, Tomato & garlic bread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) Salad	Roast potatoes, Winter veg medley, Crusty bread (gluten, may contain soya) Salad	Sweetcorn, green beans, Homemade bread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) Salad	Chips, peas, Homemade bread (gluten, milk, soya, may contain egg) Salad
PUDDINGS	Flapjack with apple (gluten) (vg)	Chocolate biscuit (milk, gluten) (v)	Ice cream (milk) (v)	Sticky apple cake (egg, gluten, milk, soya) (v)	Winter fruit strudel & custard (egg, gluten, milk) (v)

Available daily

Jacket potatoes with beans, cheese (milk), fresh fruit

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE SHOULD INGREDIENTS BE UNAVAILABLE

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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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