Dover St Mary's Church of England Primary School



Learning for life with God as our guide Friday, 9th July 2021



A Message from Ms Comfort

Class 6 Fun Week

Year 6 children and staff will be out and about both on and off the school site from Monday for a week of activities in lieu of the residential trip which they have not been able to undertake this year. Please all keep your fingers crossed for some fine weather for them!

Mr Lamprell, Head of School

Mr Lamprell visited again this week – Key Stage 2 families will have seen him at the Maison Dieu gate. Mrs Trelfer and I met with him to develop plans, rotas and timetables for the new term, he also joined us for Collective Worship and spent time with the children at break and lunchtime.

School Governors

The school Governors held their last meeting of the year this week. Most recently Governors held meetings with some of the teaching staff to review the impact of our school Christian Values of peace, friendship, trust, perseverance and respect and to explore how the staff weave these into their teaching. Governors continue to work hard to support the children, families and staff at St Mary's CEP and I thank them for their dedication to this voluntary role.

A weekend of sport...

The Tour de France continues, Wimbledon finishes and The Open begins at Royal St Georges. In addition to all of that I have no doubt that the vast majority (if not all) of us will be supporting the England men's team on Sunday evening. Is it really coming home...?! No doubt we will all have something to say on Monday about the outcome whichever way it goes!

Have a good weekend everyone.

Ms Helen Comfort - Executive Headteacher

Thinking of returning to your role as a healthcare professional? Health Education England can help you!

This message goes out to all parents, carers and members of the local community who may once have been a healthcare professional such as a nurse or midwife and now considering a return. Returning healthcare professionals have a key role to play in ensuring patients and service users have access to experienced and well-trained care staff equipped with the right skills. Health Education England (NHS) provide funding to support the pathways to return and are keen to support or answer any questions you may have if you are considering returning to perhaps nursing, midwifery or If you trained as an allied health professional (AHP) or a healthcare scientist (HCS) but have since left the profession.

Please contact Health Education England for more information on:

o1865 932097 or email returntopractice.se@hee.nhs.uk

GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS, THAT A MAN LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS. JOHN 15:13 KJV

Collective Worship at St Mary's

In worship this week we have taken the bible quote from 1 Corinthians 13 verses 1-7 and explored why love is so important.



We looked at how love can be patient and kind. It is not jealous or proud.

It is not selfish and it does not anger easily. We thought about how it always trusts, hopes and continues to be strong.



Spotlight on.... Puffins Class!

This term in our topic lessons we have been exploring 'Australia', as a class we have had a fantastic time learning all about the famous landmarks in Australia, in particular we enjoyed gathering facts about the Great Barrier Reef.

This week we have applied our new knowledge of the Great Barrier Reef to begin creating our very own class reef. The children were very excited to use the printing and drawing techniques that we have been practicing throughout the term to begin our class collaborative art project!

So far, we have used sponge printing to help us create the background, before moving onto printing our very own Sea Creatures onto the reef, based on our research. We are really excited to complete our design and share it with

everyone!







St Mary's Book Day

Please remember that next Friday is St Mary's Book Day. It would be great to see you dressed as your favourite book character. Be ready to enjoy some book activities throughout the day!

Learners of the Week

Congratulations go to the following Learners of the Week:

Class R - Learner of the Week in Turtles class is Anfroi. Anfroi comes into school every day with a smile on his face, ready to learn. He tries his best in all areas of the curriculum, and loves a challenge! He has really impressed Miss Riley in literacy this week with his super reading skills and fantastic sentence writing.

Class 1 - Lara is Starfish's 'Learner of the Week' this week as she has really tried with her learning. She has understood how to count in 10s and is now beginning to count in fives. Lara always wants to do her best and really tries hard even when things are tricky. She also likes to help and support others in class. Well done Lara!

Class 2 - Dolphins Learner of the Week this week is **Jesika**. Jesika has become more confident in her learning and is showing lots of effort to do her best in all of her work. She is always much better at recognising when she needs help and is learning to work with others to help her improve her own work. Well done Jesika.

Class 3 - This week my Learner of the Week in Puffins class is Chase. This week Chase has been a maths superstar! He has shown a fantastic ability in finding the capacity of a range of containers, and is now able to add and subtract different amounts. Chase has been working hard on being more independent in maths and has made fantastic progress towards this in his learning this week. Well Done Chase!

Class 4 - Our first Learner of the Week in Penguins class is Radoslav. He has settled into life at St. Mary's brilliantly and has enjoyed learning about shape and movement over the last few weeks. Radoslav is a kind and polite member of the class who is a great friend to his peers.

The second Learner of the Week in the Penguins class is **Johnny**. Johnny has also settled into life at St. Mary's brilliantly. He always has a smile on his face and likes to make others laugh. He tries his best with all his work and has made us all very proud.

Class 5 - Orca class Learner of the Week is Karolina. Karolina has made great progress with her reading and she enjoys reading aloud for the rest of the class, learning new English words every day. She made a lovely gestation booklet during our science lesson and she is eager and willing to try each sport in our PE lessons. Well done, Karolina!

Class 6 - Learner of the Week in Seahorses class is Maisie. Maisie is a ray of sunshine - she is a joy to have in our class and puts a smile on everyone's face. She has worked hard to design her own theme park in maths and has enjoyed writing about a spooky clip for literacy. Keep working hard Maisie - we are all proud of you.

FAIR PLAY AWARD

1st - LANG

2nd - FISHER

3rd - RAMSEY

4th -TEMPLE

GOLDEN MANNER POINTS

1st - Class 6

2nd - Class 2

3rd - Class 4

Go with the FLO....

This week I wanted to share with you 'Live Well Kent'. This organisation provides support to improve mental health, physical health and general wellbeing. They also provide the opportunity to build new confidence and meet new people. They are used and recommended by many across Kent. The service tailor the support to your needs, allowing you to access local resources.

You can find out more information at - https://livewellkent.org.uk/

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend. Whether you're watching the football or not, I hope it is filled with lots of laughter and smiles.

I look forward to seeing you all on Monday.

Miss Claire Yarnley

The last day of Term 6 is Tuesday 20th July

The children return to school for Term 1 on Wednesday 1st
September



ALL MEALS MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE

Lunch Menu - Week 1 Week beginning Monday 12th July

£2.30 per day

Follow the link below to view the menu:

https://www.st-marysdover.kent.sch.uk/attachments/downl oad.asp?file=854&type=pdf

To pay for your meals online, please go to:

www.principals-catering.com

Free School Meals - Did you know ...?

Your child might be able to have free school meals if you get any of the following:

- Universal Credit your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get)
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.

For more information, go to: kent.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals or telephone our Family Liaison Officer on 01304 206887

Rapid Coronavirus (COVID-19) testing

Household members of primary age children are eligible to access regular, rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) testing. Tests are fast, easy and free. You can order home test kits online. Order rapid lateral flow home test kits or you can collect from a home test kit collection point. Find your nearest home test kit collection point. Please note that these tests are for adults within the family, not the children.

As always, please don't hesitate to make contact via email or telephone with any queries, comments or concerns you may have.

Helen Comfort - Executive Headteacher office@stmarysprimary.net - 01304 206887

Follow this link to our website

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

Coronavirus Symptoms

Children or staff with any of the three symptoms of Covid:

- a new continuous cough
- a high temperature
- a loss or change to your sense of taste or smell

are to <u>stay at home</u> and isolate, as must the rest of their household. They should get a Covid test.

Children and staff must also stay at home and isolate if a member of their household has any of these symptoms until the outcome of a Covid test is known, and follow advice accordingly.

If your child tests positive for Covid you must immediately inform the school – by telephone on 01304 206887 during the school day. If you get a positive result at the weekend, during the evening or in a school holiday please email office@stmarysprimary.net

To get a test go online to: nhs.uk/coronavirus

https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/

OR

Telephone 111