

St Margaret's C.E.P. School

Newsletter

Monday 13th June

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Football Success

Congratulations go to the football team who won the Dave Luckhurst Football Trophy recently. Well done to every member of the team. For many of you this is your last football match representing the school. Your efforts have been much appreciated. Thanks to parents for assisting with transport.

Defibrillator

I am delighted to inform you that we have received another anonymous donation. They say things come in threes! This money was given on the understanding that the school was equipped with a defibrillator which has been duly purchased. Although we hope that we will never need to use it, I think you'll agree it is a valuable addition to the school's resources. My thanks to the family involved.

Breakfast Club

I am pleased to report that just before the half term break, we appointed both the Supervisor and Assistant for the Breakfast Club. We therefore are expecting to run this facility from Monday 5th September 2016. Children can be dropped off from 7.45am. We now need to have an indication of numbers. Please e-mail the school office by Monday 20th June indicating if your child(ren) will be attending and how frequently they will be attending. At this stage we don't need the actual days, just the number of days per week. This does not commit you to anything but it will provide us with the necessary information regarding resources and the cost to parents. We are assuming at this stage that the cost including breakfast will be approximately £3.50 per day, per child.

Questionnaires

Later this week the annual questionnaire will be issued. I am always very

grateful to those of you who complete this and consequently provide us feedback. There's a covering letter this year detailing the responses to two of the areas where we performed less well last year. The deadline for these to be returned is Monday 27th June.

FOCSS

The final preparations are being made for their fundraising event of the year. All families were issued with draw tickets last Wednesday. If you would like anymore, please come to the office. Please return any unsold books as we sell the majority on the day. Members of FOCSS will be on the gate on Thursday and Friday so that sold/unsold tickets can be returned.

FOCSS would also be delighted to receive donations of sweets and bottles. These can be brought to the school office.

Jen Wallis is also compiling lists of volunteers for the various stalls. Even if you can give 1 hour out of the whole day, it really would be appreciated. Without helpers, the stalls cannot run.

If you are able to assist with the setting up, this starts at 6.00–8.00pm on Friday evening. Please meet at the field. On Saturday, the hard work continues from 8.00am. Thank you in advance for supporting this community event.

Commonwealth Day

Last Friday, the school marked the occasion of Her Majesty's 90th Birthday. Children from across all 5 classes were given the opportunity to choose 4 activities from 9 different options, all reflecting the rich diversity across the Commonwealth. Activities included drumming, cookery, various art activities and cricket in which the West Indies won the competition. The children produced some lovely work, some of which we have been able to display in the hall. Please come and have a look. The whole

day culminated in a tea party where every child was provided with one of the 300 bread rolls and 140+ cakes which were baked by the children working alongside Mrs Stewart, Miss Harrison and Shirley Page. My thanks go to them and all the staff for the preparation which went in to this successful day. As part of the tea party we also had a live link to Windsor Castle where a special and informative programme was broadcast for primary schools. The afternoon was rounded off with a rousing rendition of the National Anthem. Please see our website in the coming days for plenty of photos from the day.

Finally a few reminders of key dates this term:

This Friday - all classes receiving tennis coaching. School uniform as usual.

Tues 28th A large proportion of the school visiting Chatham Synagogue

Wed 29th 10.00am New Year R Coffee Morning

Tues 5th 1.30pm Sports Day (Reserve 6th)

Thurs 7th Year 6 visiting their secondary schools

Mon 11th School closed

Tues 12th 2.45pm Year 2 parents meeting—transition to Key-Stage 2

Wed 13th 2.00pm and Thurs 14th 7.00pm Discovery Class performance

Sat 16th FOCSS Camp Out

Mon 18th 3.15 Informal Open Afternoon

Fri 22nd End of academic year service 9.15am.

Finally, a reminder that children start back to school on Monday 5th September. This is not a development day. *Fingers crossed for good weather on Saturday!*