

St Margaret's C.E.P. School

Newsletter

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We are almost there.....! Questionnaires

Many thanks to everyone who returned the annual questionnaire. This year we received 50 resulting in each preference representing 2%. The results have been sent as a separate e-mail accompanying this newsletter. I am delighted that the overwhelming response is very positive with 100% of respondents stating that their child is happy at St. Margaret's as well as 100% saying that they feel safe. This is essential if children are ready to learn and perform at their best. We have used the data to inform school planning which we started on the development day last week. This will be shared at the October Open Evening. Many thanks again.

Parents Drop-in

From September, on a Monday morning from 8.45–9.00am (longer if required) we would like to offer the opportunity to parents to meet with Mrs Brooker if there are any aspects of the curriculum they would like clarification/ support with. There have been a number of changes in the last 12 months with new terminology used, especially in English and maths. We know that for those of you outside the education bubble, this can be unnecessarily confusing! If you would like some support for example with phonics, or to understand exactly what your child's homework is asking for, or alternatively an effective way of supporting any aspect of the curriculum, including handwriting, then please come and see Mrs Brooker

who will either be able to assist there and then or will go away and find someone who can. This will start on Monday 12th September and will take place in the children's kitchen.

Swimming

The children below achieved the following distances:

20m James

25m Rufus

50m Hugh, Freya, Connie

100m Nicky, Amie, Lenny, Nancy, Jacob, Skye, Jake and Rachel

400m Max, Darcy, Sonny

600m Jake, Maisie, Lois, Finn, Evie, Eva, Jisola and Faith

800m Alex, Joe, Olivia, Emily, Charlotte, Rebecca and Sam and finally...

Ben who achieved 1000m.

I really would like to congratulate all the pupils and especially Year 4 who have achieved an average badge distance of 625m!

Breakfast Club/ Security

A reminder that with children on site from 7.45am attending breakfast club in September, we need to make the site secure. The perimeter gates will be locked until just before 8.45am. A member of the breakfast club team will unlock the gate opposite the church so that children can gain access to the playground.

Caterlink—School Lunches

We now have information regarding payment for school lunches from September. Although there will be an online system brought in, this will be unavailable initially. Payment will therefore be preferably by

cheque although cash will be accepted. A menu can be found on our website.

Sainsbury's Vouchers

Many thanks for the 3754 vouchers received over the last couple of months. We have ordered a range of sports equipment as well as some kitchen equipment.

Clubs from September

A letter will be issued at the start of next term. However, they are all due to start week beginning Monday 19th September.

Church Service—9.15am Friday

In addition to the school awards and bibles from St. Margaret's Church, Year 6 will be presented with a dictionary supplied by the Paddock Wood Lions. If you are interested in learning more about the Lions and potentially becoming a member, please take a look at their website: www.paddockwoodlions.co.uk

Finally, may I on behalf of all the staff and Governing Body wish you all a restful and enjoyable summer holiday. We continue to be very grateful for all the support we receive in so many different ways. I would particularly like to thank those families in Year 6 who have been associated with the school for so many years and have very generously either provided books or made donations as a leaving gift. We wish year 6 the very best for the future. **We look forward to welcoming the children back on Monday 5th September.**