

St Margaret's C.E.P. School

Newsletter

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Magistrates' visit to Discovery

Last week, two magistrates spent over an hour and a half with Discovery Class. Below is one of the reviews which the class wrote.....

On the 15th June, Discovery Class were very lucky to be visited by the magistrates. A magistrate is someone who makes all the decisions in a small court, where there is no judge.

The two volunteers that came to our school talked about what they do, what a court looks like, what the punishments can be, what prisons are like and why some crimes are sent to small courts and which crimes end up in Crown Court. They also showed us a short video about what happens in court.

The magistrates were very funny and made learning fun by picking volunteers to dress up and act as someone in the court process. For example there was one scenario which included a victim, the mother of the victim, a policeman, lawyer and magistrate.

Over all I have learnt that prisons certainly do not sound as nice as they seem in movies!

I am delighted to report that both visitors described the class and their level of questioning as 'excellent'.

Important dates during this term

Tues 27th 9.00am New Year R uniform sale/ story time

Wed 28th Key-Stage 2 Great Britain Day

Thurs 29th/Fri 30th New Year R spending a day in Russet Class

Tues 4th July 1.30pm (Gates open

1.20pm) Sports Day (reserve Wed 5th)

Thurs 6th Father Paul leading worship. CLUBS FINISH for this academic year.

Fri 7th Bramley Class trip to Putlands

Monday 10th School closed

Tues 11th 2.45pm Meeting for Year 2 parents about the expectations of Key-Stage 2. Annual reports issued

Wed 12th 2.00pm End of year performance by upper Key-Stage 2

Thurs 13th 9.00–9.45am Children meeting their new teacher. 7.00pm End of year performance

Tues 18th 3.15pm Informal open afternoon.

Wed 19th Discovery Class trip to Hastings. Pippin and Russet class trip to Chatham Dockyard.

Thurs 20th Last swimming session

Fri 21st 9.15am End of year church service.

Mon 24th July–Friday 1st September SCHOOL HOLIDAY (Staff development day Fri 1st Sep)

And next year.....

Mon 4th Sep Children return to school for term 1 2017/18

Thurs 7th Sep PESE (11+) testing (reminder that 3rd July is the closing date to register for the test)

Art competition

Quite a few of the children entered the art competition run as part of the 'Vicar's Picnic' which will be taking place in Yalding on the 14th and 15th July. The three winners selected from our school were Vicky

Stanchevski, Alfie Berry and Johnny Williams. Congratulations to them all. The judges, which included the local artist David Bray, also selected 3 overall winners and I'm delighted to say that Vicky received 3rd place. The judges remarked that 'we thought it was a beautiful piece with some impressive skills for someone of her age.' Well done Vicky.

Football v Hunton

I'm grateful to Miss France who organised a couple of football matches against Hunton school. It was all very equal with the lower Key-Stage 2 team drawing 1-1 and upper Key-Stage 2 drawing 2-2. Thank you to all involved including our band of parental supporters!

Recent hot weather

I would like to congratulate the children on their continued great behaviour and conduct during the last few days. We all know that it was incredibly hot but many of the year groups were also sitting their end of year tests. You have all been great.

Finally it's the Pet Show... tomorrow!

Thank you so much for the donations received over the last couple of weeks. The final preparations are hopefully just about complete. However, if you are able to assist with the setting up, this starts at 6.00pm this evening. Please meet at the Parish field. On Saturday, the hard work continues from 8.00am. Thank you in advance for supporting this community event.