# St Margaret's C.E.P. School Newsletter

# Friday 21st September

## Harvest

As in previous years, our Harvest donations will be making their way to Homeless Care which supports homeless and vulnerable people within the borough of Maidstone. They have provided a most wanted list for 2018 and this includes:

Tinned fruit and veg, long life milk, sandwich spread, custard and rice pudding, coffee/ hot chocolate, fruit juice, tinned mince beef and stewing steak, tinned ham and corned beef, pasta sauce, curry sauce, marmite, peanut butter, jam, choc spread, sugar, crisps and biscuits. They continue to also be most grateful of toiletries.

Please bring donations to the school hall from Monday 1st October. Our church service will be at 9.15am on Friday 4th with refreshments served from 8.55am. All donations gratefully received.

## Photographer

A reminder that Vancols the photographers will be in school on Tuesday 2nd October when individual and sibling photos will be taken.

#### Success in Jujitsu

Congratulations go to Lilly Antley who competed in the Junior Brazilian Jujitsu competition at the end of July. In her group there were 5 girls aged 8-10. Her first fight ended in a scoreless draw. She won her second encounter so she then advanced to the final. In the final she displayed determination taking the fight right through to the end with the referee having to make the final decision. Unfortunately the decision didn't go her way. Even so, Lilly is now second in the world in her age group. She is busy preparing for the European Championship at the end of the this month.

Well done Lilly.

## Royal British Legion-Marden Branch

We have received the following message from Colin Fry, Vice-Chairman.....

Due to the falling numbers of the Branch membership, Marden British Legion is under threat of closure. We are contacting organisations to recruit new members and officers for the committee.

They are holding a recruitment event on Tuesday 2nd October at 7.30pm in the West End Tavern, Marden. Alternatively you can call 0808 802 8080.

#### Secondary Schools

Many secondary schools are now holding their Open Days and Evenings. Parents in Year 5 and 6 are encouraged to visit in preparation for the secondary transfer forms which need to be submitted on-line by 31st October for the current Year 6.

#### Free School Meals

A message from KCC .....

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

• Universal Credit - if you apply on or after 1 April 2018 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

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• 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.

Please note that in addition to your child receiving a free hot lunch, the school will receive an additional  $\pounds 1300$  per year to be spent on their education provision.

# Year R 2019

We have received a number of enquiries from prospective parents for next September. Please could you inform the office if you have any siblings who will be starting school in September 2019.

### Website

Today, we have had a professional photographer in school taking images across all classes for our new website which we hope will be going live very soon. In the meantime, term 1 curriculum planners for each class have been uploaded. These can be found on each class page.

# Russet Class Plea...

Mrs Pring and Miss France are hoping to add to the children's dressing up resources. If you happen to have any unwanted animal onesies, superhero or fairytale costumes and even job themed dressing up clothes, all donations will be gratefully received. Thank you.

# **Uniform Shop**

A reminder that the uniform shop is open after school on a Thursday.

# Wishing you all a good weekend.