

St Margaret's C.E.P. School

Newsletter

Inspire, Nurture, Discover

Learning as we grow, Growing as we learn, Rooted in Jesus

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Phased return....so welcome back for some

Following the announcement from the government, preparations for the return of our children were eagerly made. A plan was drawn up which was based around safety, wellbeing, physical distancing and hygiene. Thank you to everyone involved.

On Monday last week, we reopened our gates to pupils in Year R, 1 and 6. This phased return has been really successful. The children were all eager to see their friends and teachers again. Everyone has adapted to the new routines and locations of the class setting. We have been in the fortunate position to have created smaller 'bubbles/classes' than the government had suggested. With two adults in every class most of the day, pupils have had the support they deserve. To top this off we have had some marvellous weather which has enabled the classes to have picnics in their 'bubbles' on the field, garden, and in their outside areas!

Here are a few quotes from across the school

'We love coming back to school everyday and we like playing on the vehicles.' Letty and Olivia (Russet)

'I love being back at school because we get to learn lots of new things and I missed my teachers.' Joshua (Pippin)

'The best thing is having support from our teachers.' Har-

riet (Discovery)

'I have made new friends within the class that I hadn't before.' William H (Discovery)

Bubbles become Kingdoms!

During this time of change the new guidelines state we have to remain in smaller 'bubbles'. It was suggested by staff that we give the children more self-identity and ownership of what they were called. The idea of a 'Kingdom' became a popular alternative. This was then voted in by each group. Here are their new names for this interim period:

Russet Year R/1- Miss O'Connor's group are now known as 'The Rainbow Kingdom'.

Miss France's group are now known as 'The Orchard Dahlia Kingdom.'

Miss Newick's group are now known as 'The Animal Kingdom.'

Pippin Year 1, are now known as 'The Apple Kingdom.'

The Key workers group, are now known as 'The Creativity Kingdom.'

Discovery Year 6, are now known as 'The Kingdom of Nowhere', based on the book 'The No-where Emporium.

Trainers

Please can all children come to school in trainers as the children are participating in lots of physical activity.

Father Paul

In the coming days, we will be welcoming Father Paul to lead worship. He hasn't decided yet to either visit each group or use zoom! He visited us during the weeks we were running the Key-Worker provision for Yalding, Hunton and us and it brought a wonderful sense of normality. It also provided a great opportunity to sing again.

Finally.....

I'm very aware that this newsletter is all about what's happening in school. I want to say now, for all the rest of our community who remain at home, we haven't forgotten you! We look forward to welcoming you back to school as soon as possible but in the meantime, if you want to have something published in the next newsletter, perhaps some special news from home or a brilliant piece of writing, please send it to the class e-mail page where some will then be selected for the next edition. Whether at home or school, thank you for all your on-going support.

Have a good week everyone and remember to keep in touch.