

St Margaret's C.E.P. School

Newsletter

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

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Royal British Legion

We have recently been informed that our collection raised a total of £241.57. Thank you for your generosity to this such worthy charity.

Playtime Snacks

Please be mindful that children should only be bringing in a snack for morning playtime. The break is 15 minutes long and some 'snacks' are turning into small picnics! Please provide prepared or an item of fruit or a healthy cereal bar only. Thank you for your cooperation.

Outdoor Learning /Forest School

I am delighted to inform you that Mrs Brooker continues to work tirelessly on the exciting addition to the school. In term 4 she will be trialing a small group of pupils for a session each week which will form part of her final assessment. We were fortunate to be awarded £500 of equipment following a successful bid. This, alongside the £1000 FOCSS have kindly given, has enabled a good range of equipment to be purchased. I would like to thank Mrs Brooker for the huge effort and additional work she has undertaken and continues to do, as well as the parents who have contributed through donations or offering their time to assist her.

Diary

Tues 31st Jan Ms Findlay launching Children's Mental Health Week in assembly. All classes receiving a 10 minute input each day

Tues 7th Feb Safer Internet Day/Key-Stage 1 trip to Tunbridge Wells Toy Museum

Fri 10th Staff Development Day—School closed for pupils

Mon 13th—Fri 17th Feb Holiday

Mon 20th Children in school

Tues 28th and Wed 1st March—Parent/Teacher Consultations (separate letter to be issued)

Fri 10th Father Paul leading worship

Thurs 23rd FOCSS Discos

Fri 24th Clubs finish

Wed 29th FOCSS Easter Egg Hunt (Reserve Thurs 30th)

Fri 31st 9.15am Easter Service

Mon 3rd—Fri 14th April—Easter Holiday

Mon 17th April—Children in school

Road Crossing Patrol

Would you be interested in being our School Road Crossing Patrol? Ideally it's a role for 2 people as it can only be carried out by a trained person and so the reserve/backup needs to be available in the event of illness etc. If you are at all interested, please come and see me for details.

Update from FOCSS

Last week FOCSS met and they have a number of fundraising events in the pipeline including:

Thurs 9th Feb—Krispy Kreme doughnuts! These will need to be pre-ordered and then available to collect at the end of the school day.

Thurs 23rd March Discos. Key-Stage 1 from 5.30pm and Key-Stage 2 from 6.30pm. Tickets will be on sale from Mon 20th

Wed 29th March Easter Egg Hunt

Fri 12th May—7.30 for 8.00pm Quiz

Night in school

Fri 19th May—Pizza and Cookie Dough. These will need to be pre-ordered and then available to collect at the end of the school day.

Sat 24th June PET SHOW

Sat 15th July—Camp Out

Finally, on our return after Christmas, the whole school enjoyed creating a wonderful range of work from the picture book, *Journey* by Aaron Becker. Children's work has been displayed in the Welcome Area and will be available at the parent/teacher consultations at the start of term 4. Here are 2 short extracts from the many which could have been chosen:

'Katy felt sad and ignored and dreamt of escaping to a new world. As Katy drew the door with the large ruby red crayon in her hand she saw in front of her a spectacular palm tree. Behind the palm tree was a magical rainforest with lots of peacocks prancing around. Sitting in front of her was a magnificent flamingo watching her.' Olivia Year 2

'As the mesmerising airship silently soared into position, the thrumming of the sinister engines vibrated through the fluffy clouds. The vast hulking machine glided through the sky. Just above the flightpath was their target. A bird. Not just any bird. A powerful bird. Inside its body was special DNA which could grant immense power to the drinker. Cogs spun, levers clicked and clacked; the riveted hull of the ship seemed to be growling, preparing, something bad was going to happen.' Ramona Year 5. **Well done everyone.**

Enjoy your week.