

St Margaret's C.E.P. School

Newsletter

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After school today.....

The Gardening Club will be selling the pumpkins and what a harvest they had! Any reasonable offer will be considered and all money raised will be used to purchase compost and seeds for next Spring. There will also be 'Guess the weight of the pumpkin' which will be £1 a guess. The nearest weight will win the pumpkin.



Photographs

A reminder that on Friday we have the photographer in school who will be taking photos of individuals and family groups. If you would like a pre school sibling to be part of a family photo, please come to the hall at 8.45am.

Road Crossing Patrol

Although this vacancy continues to be advertised by Kent (alongside the very many vacancies they have across the county for the same job in many other schools), no applications have been received. Are you or do you know anyone who would be interested? The post would be for 30mins at the start and finish of the school day. Training and uniform are provided. Please see me for further details.

FOCSS AGM

Yesterday evening, FOCSS held their AGM and I'm delighted to report that the following officers

were elected: Kelly Rigden, Chair, Gemma Elliott-Dunn and Emma Howard Vice-Chair, Hannah Sibley Treasurer and Martha Montagne, Secretary. Thank you to them all. Last year, with your terrific support, the small but effective committee raised a most impressive £7000+ and with using some reserves, they donated £800 for school trips and the incredible £10000 towards the new Trim Trail. I know they have plenty of fundraising ideas in the pipeline including the all important Christmas Fair which this year will take place on Saturday 9th Dec. Please put the date in your diary and enjoy an hour or 2 at school from 12.00pm.

Diary for Term 2

Mon 30th Oct Staff Dev Day—school closed

Tues 31st—Children return

Tues 7th and Thurs 9th Nov Parent/Teacher Consultations. Book Fair available in the hall.

Mon 13th Anti-bullying Week

Fri 24th Worship led by Starfish Malawi representative

Fri 1st Dec Clubs finish

Wed 6th and Thur 7th 2.15 Key-Stage 1 Nativity

Wed 13th Family Trust Christmas Show to the whole school

Fri 15th 9.15am Carol Service in the church. Everyone most welcome.
END OF TERM

Mon 18th—Mon 1st Jan—Holidays

Tues 2nd Jan 24 Staff Dev Day—School closed to pupils

Wed 3rd—Children return

Year 6—Applying for Sep 24

Please be aware that the choices for secondary schools need to be made on-line via <https://www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/school-places/secondary-school-places> by the 31st October.

Book Fair

As part of the parent/teacher consultations on Tues 7th and Thurs 9th Nov, the annual Book Fair will be available. The payment methods will be via a QR Code or cash.

Starfish Malawi

Thank you so much for your generosity towards purchasing good quality mosquito nets to provide protection for young children in Malawi. A total of £233.35 was raised and has been sent to this very worthwhile charity.

Cooler Weather

Although I could well be proved wrong with these unusual weather patterns we are experiencing now, I would have thought the weather will be considerably cooler in term 2 than term 1. Although tariff prices have reduced slightly for domestic customers, our unit charges for electricity and gas are still at last years levels. Each week costs approximately £220 to heat the school. I would always prefer to spend our budget on classroom based resources so like last year, the school building will be comfortable but not as warm as it used to be so please ensure children have a jumper/cardigan and perhaps an extra layer! Thank you.

Enjoy the holiday next week.