

St Margaret's Academy

Dear Parents,

Mr Tullier and the student council started off the week with a candle lit assembly and poetry reading in the hall to explain the significance of the poppy. In today's remembrance commemorations, the council represented St Margaret's at the cenotaph in St Marychurch while the whole school gathered for 2 respectful minutes silence on the playground to the sound of the canon echoing across the bay from the harbour. Our Reception children also marked the occasion with poppy making. You can see lovely photos of all this in the [PSHE Blog](#).

Curriculum News

Have a look in the [Design Technology Blog](#) to see how the Year 1's turned our giant pumpkin into tasty autumnal soup and used the seeds for estimating and counting in their Maths. In the [History Blog](#) you can see how Year 4 have been creative with toilet rolls to help their understanding of chronology and timelines.

Social Media Safeguarding Alert

If your child uses the livestreaming platform *Twitch*, please do [click this link](#) to find out more about a safeguarding alert and what you can do at home.

Children in Need

Friday 18th November is *Children in Need Day*. It's a non-uniform day with a *Spotacular* theme or just any non-uniform. Any donation is appreciated but equally your child is welcome to attend in non-uniform regardless.

Help with Rising Costs – Reminders

- This community kitchen has some very affordable meal options and is well worth a look: <https://www.turningheads.org.uk/community-kitchen/>
- The PTA has lots of quality school uniform for a small donation – see their FB page



In Memory of Frazer

Thank you to everybody who donated money on behalf of little Frazer Wilton on the wear yellow day before half term. £295 was raised. As per the family's wishes, the money has been shared between The Children's Hospice South West and The Battens Disease Family Association (UK).



This week's Attendance Star goes to
PINE CLASS with 99.2%
Well Done!

- Martin Lewis: <https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/>
- Free uniform and help with rising costs: <https://www.punkagainstopoverty.org/>
- Try here for cheaper broadband: <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/phones-telecoms-and-internet/advice-for-consumers/costs-and-billing/social-tariffs>

Enjoy your weekend



Tim Hughes (Headteacher)



Beech	Lylah has made me smile all week this week with her enthusiasm for learning, her kindness to me and her amazing singing in our songs rehearsals. Thank you Lylah!
Pine	Parker has made a conscious effort over the last few weeks to really focus and we are so impressed with his kindness towards the other children in Pine class. Well done Parker!
Oak	Oliver- for trying his best to record his learning neatly, especially in his phonics lessons. For also joining in really well in the History lessons this week. Well done Oliver- great effort!
Apple	Minnie has been so aspirational this week in her Great Fire of London writing and also her maths learning where she was able to show super understanding of adding tens and ones. Well done Minnie!
Birch	Evie for being an absolute superstar with her writing and maths this week! She has worked her socks off and come on leaps and bounds!
Rowan	This is for some awesome Maths work this week - Mariella worked tirelessly to add two numbers across a 100. She demonstrated the ability to spot when she needed to carry over having worked methodically using the place value counters. What a fantastic Mathematician- keep it up!
Cherry	Noah is the star of the week in cherry class. He demonstrated great resilience when writing his poem about bullying. He was rightly proud of the result and the whole class really enjoyed listening to him read it aloud.
Hazel	Finley W - For your enthusiasm and aspiration for learning this week. You have been extremely independent and hardworking (especially in maths) and it is lovely to see how proud you are of your work by sharing it with the rest of the class!
Willow	Willow's star this week is Darcey for her fantastic aspiration in her reading and her consistent respectful attitude to all of the members in Willow. Well done, Darcey! Keep it up!
Holly	Marshall is our star of the week. He has really stepped up in his presentation particularly in his writing! Well done and keep it up!
Maple	Our star of the week is Ben for being such an aspirational learner in Maths! This week, Ben has participated well in class discussions, making links to previous learning and using the resources available to him to solve trickier fraction problems. Well done Ben!
Hawthorn	Zachary has shown great positivity and made a really good effort with lots of his learning this week. His participation was brilliant in our grammar lesson today; he listened so carefully and made fantastic contributions. Well done Zachary - keep this up. We are very proud of you!



Diary Dates

W/C 14th November	Parents Evening Week
16th November	Deadline for Computing homework project
18th November	Muffi- Children in Need
21st November	School Photos (individual and sibling)
21st November	PTA World Cup Football Cake Sale after school
5th December	Foundation Stage Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day (Only packed lunch option available to all other year groups)
6th December	Year 1 and Year 2 Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day (Only packed lunch option available to all other year groups)
7th December	Year 3 and Year 4 Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day (Only packed lunch option available to all other year groups)
8th December	Year 5 and Year 6 Christmas Lunch and Jumper Day (Only packed lunch option available to all other year groups)
8th December	KS1 Nativity at Babbacombe theatre
9th December	Rudolf Charity Run for Rowcroft
13th December	Upton Vale Concert KS2
17th December - 3rd January 2023	Christmas Holidays
4th January 2023	Pupils return to school