



Summer Term Newsletter No.6

What a lovely week—the weather made it even better! We have had so much going on in school this week! We started with a great assembly about Christopher Columbus by the Y1 children. They were very confident with their singing and speaking roles! We have also had Bikeability taking part throughout the week with Y5 children heading off on the roads around school. They found the ride back to school a little challenging when they arrived back at pick up time and couldn't believe the number of cars on the road around the school.

Some of the children in Oak and Apple class had the fantastic opportunity to take part in the Year 2 sports competition at St Cuthbert Mayne yesterday. The children were split into two teams: Oak became the 'Pythons' and Apple became the 'Tigers'! Year 7 and 8 children from St Cuthbert Mayne created a carousel of activities for the children to carry out and St Margaret's battled it out against three other schools to gain points. Our children worked hard in the hot sun and it paid off as the scores were announced at the end. Out of the 8 teams, the Tigers (Apple) came 2nd and Pythons came 1st! Well done Year 2!



We are very proud of this week's Star Pupils:



- Ash — Jake has been applying excellent maths learning in the orchard and classroom!
- Seren listened and followed instructions to use tools safely in the orchard.
- Elm — Bea solved a problem, using bricks in a balance to find and weigh the heaviest toy!
- Oakley has made a super happy start to his new class and been a great friend and learner.
- Beech — Poppy-Lou has made a great improvement in her application of phonics.
- Pine — Ethan was very confident in his Year Group assembly and spoke his many lines clearly!
- Apple — Gemma showed exceptional behaviour and effort at the sports competition.
- Oak — Billy was so enthusiastic and encouraging others at the sports competition.
- Birch — Lily always makes a super effort in all of her learning and makes good choices.
- Rowan — Keira has made excellent progress with her writing. Well-done.
- Cherry — Owen has been more confident and aspirational in his learning.
- Maple — Daniella is pleasant, polite and positive in all she does!
- Holly — Heidi has been focused on her work and putting in 100% effort. Great attitude!
- Willow — Harrison has made an excellent effort and been determined to improve his arithmetic.
- Hawthorn — Jake for his grit and determination in his writing and all round good effort.
- Hazel — Melody was nominated by her class for her bright nature this week!

Diary Date Reminders:

Monday 5th June— School starts back
Monday 5th June—Birch Class swimming
Week beginning Monday 12th June—Phonic Screening
Check

Don't forget to check the school website calendar for future events.



Attendance Award

Congratulations to Oak Class
for winning the
School Attendance Award
with 98% attendance.

The whole school achieved 93.4% attendance overall which is below our 96%. Let's see if we can improve on that next week!

Thank you to everyone who has downloaded the eSchools app. It will definitely help the school's budget if there is no additional cost when we communicate with you—the app goes directly to your messages rather than charging us for a text. We know some of you are having difficulty logging in as it says the school is not recognised. This is because you must type in exactly what is on the information letter we sent home. The school name for eschools is **st-margarets** (no apostrophe, no Academy. It should autofill the eschools bit after this) If you have lost your login details the office staff can generate new logins for you so please do come and ask. If you have successfully downloaded the app please check with your friends and see if you can help them! The more parents who download the app the more the school will save and it will help with communication.

For the next few weeks we will add a Website Tip of the Week on to our newsletters to encourage you to click on the link and have a look around our website!

Tip Of The Week

If you want to keep up to date with the latest news and see what your children are learning then you can look on the website Home Page and look at the Twitter feed which will give you quick snapshots of daily school life

<http://www.stmargaretstorbay.org.uk/website/home/245720>

If you follow the school you will receive notifications when we tweet but it is not necessary to create a twitter account as all the information is on the Home Page

for all to see.

Or, for more information and photographs, you can click on the News Tab and see what has been happening month by month. We usually report on these events in our newsletters but you will find more photos here than we publish on or Newsletters:

<http://www.stmargaretstorbay.org.uk/website/news/245721>

Keeping you informed is something we have worked hard to improve this year. We are always happy to listen to suggestions for further improvements so please do let us know.

Ash Class Orchard Day

What a fantastic day in the Orchard! Ash Class had the chance to make a sculpture yesterday and had to learn how to use a saw, hammer and nails! They also made some cookies and cooked them in our cob oven. Vinnie summed up how everyone felt when he said, "I have had the best day ever!"

(We'll put some photos on Twitter later)



We wish you all a very relaxing half term and hope you enjoy spending time with your family and friends. We look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday 5th June!

Learning today to achieve our tomorrows.