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**St Margaret's Academy**

# **CLUBS NEWSLETTER**

## **AUTUMN 2021**



**All clubs begin week  
commencing 13<sup>th</sup>  
September, ending on  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December  
unless stated  
otherwise.**

## St Margaret's Academy

We are pleased to be able to continue to offer a wide range of after school, lunchtime and early morning clubs this term. We are committed to providing a rich and exciting curriculum and we believe that our clubs have a role to play in enriching the curriculum further. The school offers clubs that teach gymnastics, football, tag rugby and even Chess, all of which are FREE. Not only are these clubs fun, but they will also help boost your child's self-esteem and self-confidence.

### **How will it be organised?**

This term, we will run clubs for a total of 13 weeks. The clubs will be run by teachers and outside coaches, such as Premier Sport. The children will go to the club as soon as the school day finishes and then can be collected at the finish time; usually 4.05pm unless stated otherwise on the clubs timetable. If you would like your child (Y5-Y6 only) to walk home from the club, you must tick the box to give authorisation.

### **Is there a cost?**

Sometimes, in order to run such a wide range of clubs we have organised outside coaches to come into school to help run some clubs. The cost of these clubs will vary depending on the club being offered. Payment can be made online via the School Gateway.

### **How can my child get a place at a club?**

Read the booklet and discuss which club or clubs your child would like to join. You will then need to go online and use the School Gateway to sign up to a club. We will strive to ensure that all children are placed in the club they desire. Places are limited; all are first come, first served, so please act quickly! **ALL CLUBS BEGIN ON MONDAY 13<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE ON THE CLUB TIMETABLE.**

### **Non-attendance**

If your child misses a club for two weeks in a row, unless there is a medical reason, they may be asked to leave the club and the space will be made available to another child. Why? Signing up to a club is a commitment and we would expect children to honour this. We believe that this is a life skill as well as an expectation. Some clubs lead on to competitions with other schools and children will need to commit to attending every session in order to build a team to enter leagues and competitions.

### **What next?**

Read the booklet with your child and check which clubs are open to which year groups. Make a note of the days and times and then sign up using the booking form ASAP, THE DEADLINE FOR ALL CLUBS IS FRIDAY 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER.

## CLUBS TIMETABLE - AUTUMN 2021

Day	Clubs	Year	Location	Cost
<b>Monday</b> 12.30-1.30pm	Eco-Schools Club: Primary Forest School	Y1-Y6	Orchard	FREE
3.05-4.00pm	Boys and Girls Football Club: Mr Tullier	Y3-Y4	L/PG or Field	FREE
3.05-4.05pm	Girls Football Club: Mrs Scaife	Y5-Y6	Field or L/PG	FREE
3.05-4.05pm	Alternative Sports Club: Mr Mayling	Y5-Y6	Hall or BC	FREE
3.05-4.05pm	Forest School Club: Primary Forest School	Y1-Y2	Orchard	FREE
<b>Tuesday</b> Lunchtime	Chess Club: Mr Hughes	Y5-Y6	Woodland Studio	FREE
3.05-4.05pm	Multi-skills Club: Mr Mayling	Y1-Y2	Hall or Ball Court	FREE
3.05-4.05pm	Netball Club: Mrs Price	Y5-Y6	L/PG or Hall	FREE
<b>Wednesday</b> 8.00-8.45am	Gymnastics Club: Miss Pilkiewicz	Y1-Y2	Hall	FREE
Lunchtime	Choir: Miss Pritchard	Y3-Y6	Birch	FREE
3.05-4.05pm	Healthy 60 Club: Mr Mayling	Y3-Y4	Hall or L/PG	FREE
<b>Thursday</b> 3.05-4.05pm	Tag Rugby Club: Mr Mayling	Y3-Y4	Field or L/PG	FREE
3.05-4.05pm	Shorts Farm Club: Mr Thomas & Mrs Baker	Y5	Orchard	FREE
<b>Friday</b> 8.30-8.45am	Golden Mile Club: Mr Tullier	Y3-Y6	Field	FREE
3.05-4.05pm	Boys Football Club: Mr Mayling	Y5-Y6	Field or L/PG	FREE

**With the exception of the Eco-Schools Club, you will need to sign-up via the School Gateway. This service allows you to book a place online and get an instant on-screen confirmation of your booking. Places are limited; all are first come, first served, so if the club is full, it will not allow you to book a place.**

## **Clubs Information**

### **Y1-Y6 Eco-Schools Club: Primary Forest School**

Most young people care deeply about environmental issues and wish to make a positive change in the environment around them. The Eco-Schools Club provides an ideal way for fostering environmental awareness in the entire school in a way that links to many curriculum subjects. The primary aim of the Eco-Schools Club is to educate and empower young people to make positive decisions and become change makers for an environmentally sustainable world (places for this club are awarded by selection only).

### **Y3-Y4 Football Club: Mr Tullier**

Y3/4 Boy's and Girl's football club will be run by Mr Tullier. Learn new skills and play as part of a team.

### **Y5-Y6 Girls Football Club: Mrs Scaife**

Girl's football club will be run by Mrs Scaife. Learn new skills and play as part of a team. Girls will need to commit to attending every session in order to build a team to enter the league. Girls selected from Y5-Y6 will also need to be available to represent the school in matches.

### **Y5-Y6 Alternative Sports Club: Premier Sport**

The aim of the club is to increase participation, encourage healthy lifestyles and inspire all young people to benefit from the positive values of physical activity and sport. The children will take part in fun alternative activities such as: Archery, Kurling, Street Surfing, Fencing, Dodgeball, Frisbee and Golf with an emphasis on enjoyment and discovery and not competition.

### **Y1-Y2 Forest School Club: Primary Forest School**

Pupils will take part in Forest School activities which involve bushcraft and survival skills to be delivered in the school's Orchard area. This includes fire lighting, woodland foraging, shelter building and open fire cooking. At forest school the children will be physically active a lot of the time and their stamina will improve as they go through their Forest School sessions. Their experience can also help to lead to the development of healthier lifestyles as children ask parents to take them on trips to woodlands and green spaces outside of school times. As the children gain in confidence and improve their self-esteem, this can have a positive impact on their emotional and mental well-being.

### **Y5-Y6 Chess Club: Mr Hughes**

Chess Club is run by Mr Hughes; he has played the board game for many years, learning the game of chess and developing his strategic skills. Mr Hughes does everything to make learning the game fun and build confidence and understanding easily and quickly. So come along and play Chess from Easy to Evil level and even challenge the Grandmaster himself - Mr Hughes.

### **Y1-Y2 Multi-skills: Mr Mayling**

Multi-skills will be run by Mr Mayling. This club is a great way to develop their fundamental skills of agility, balance and co-ordination which are the key building blocks in a child's physical development. Children will have the opportunity to be active in a safe environment and have fun at the same time. This club will lead into inter school competitions with other schools.

### **Y5-Y6 Netball Club: Mrs Price**

Netball club will be run by Mrs Price & Mrs Broom. All year 5 and 6 are welcome. Come along and learn High 5 Netball. All abilities are encouraged. Come along and enjoy a new sport and have the opportunity to represent the school in tournaments (priority to those who trained last term).

### **Y1-Y2 Gymnastics Club: Miss Pilkiewicz**

Gymnastics club is run by Miss Pilkiewicz before school starts and is for children who love gymnastics or would like to improve their skills or explore new ones. We follow the official BG proficiency awards scheme. At each level gymnasts pass they will obtain a certificate and badge, at the end of the level, they will also receive a medal. Gymnasts will be assessed at regular intervals and will be eligible for the relevant badges when skills have been reached.

### **Y3-Y4 Healthy 60: Mr Mayling**

Healthy 60 Sports Club is run by PE Teacher Mr Mayling. It is an exciting programme that aims to harness the inspiration of the Olympic and Paralympic Games. The club takes the principles and specific skills from a range of sports and place them in a fun, vibrant and exciting activity club giving children confidence and competence.

### **Y3-Y4 Tag Rugby Club: Mr Mayling**

Tag Rugby is a non-contact team game in which each player wears a belt with two velcro tags attached to them. The mode of play is similar to Rugby Union or Rugby League with attacking players attempting to dodge, evade and pass a rugby ball while defenders attempt to prevent them scoring by "tagging" - pulling a velcro attached tag from the ball carrier. Seven players in each team are allowed on the field at a time. Tag Rugby is generally a slower rugby game but just as skilful. Tag rugby is

about teaching running, handling and ball skills, and fun, while learning to be active. Tag Rugby is ideal for this age group and it is another way to introduce ball sports.

#### **Y5 Shorts Farm Club: Mr Thomas & Mrs Baker**

At St Margaret's Academy Mr Thomas and Mrs Baker run the Shorts Farm Club. It's a gardening club and is a great introduction to gardening in school. The children really enjoy planting, looking after and harvesting their own vegetables. This Autumn term the children will be pumpkin hollowing, seed collecting, planting bulbs, making bug hotels or bird feeders, making festive decorations and twiggy reindeers. As this is a popular club, numbers are limited for this one!

#### **Y3-Y6 Golden Mile Breakfast Club: Mr Tullier**

We reinforce the message from the Department of Health that children should engage in regular daily physical activity habits across the week, every week, all year round. The Golden Mile is an **ALL YEAR ROUND** initiative whereby Pupils, Staff and Parents can get involved. Simply walk, jog or run around our Golden Mile track within the safety of the school grounds and achieve some extra laps to add to your miles.

#### **Y5-Y6 Boys Football Club: Mr Mayling**

Boy's football club will be run by PE Teacher Mr Mayling. Learn new skills and play as part of a team. Boys will need to commit to attending every session in order to build a team to enter the league. Boys selected from the weekly club will also need to be available to represent the school in matches.

**Bookings for clubs will  
be open from Monday  
6<sup>th</sup> September to Friday  
10<sup>th</sup> September.**