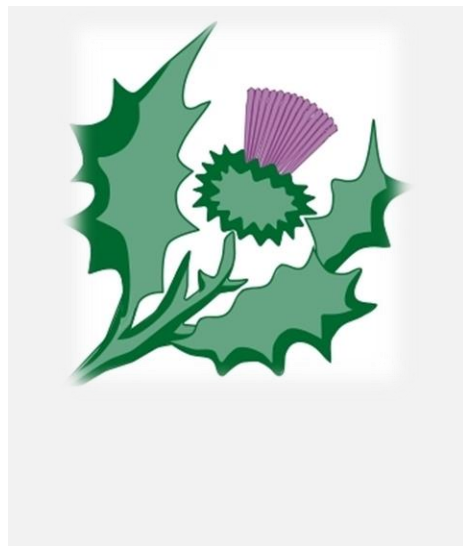


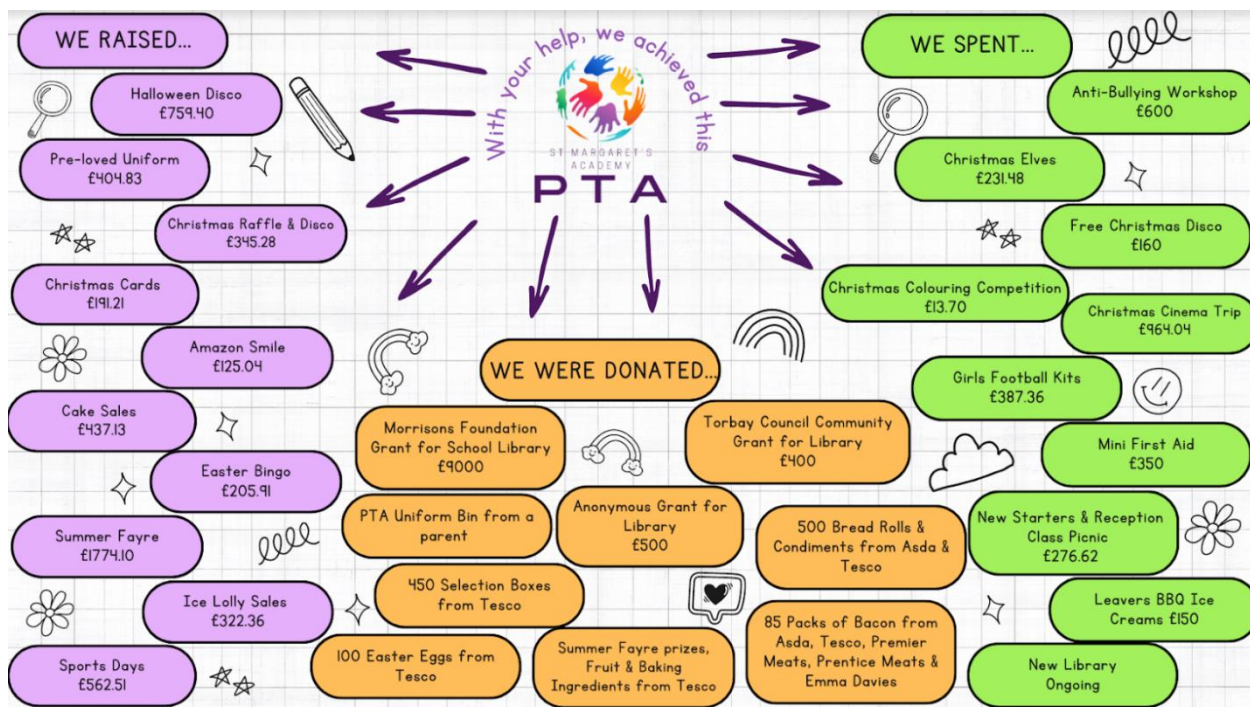
St Margaret's Academy



Another fun-packed week at St Margaret's Academy draws to a close. We started on Monday with our assembly based on 'decision trees', thinking about how our decisions have consequences, for good, bad or neutral, and how we should consider them carefully. We also welcomed Laura and Felicity from the PTA to thank them for their mighty summer fair achievement, raising over £1700!

PTA News – WOW!

What an amazing PTA we have. Check out this infographic for a roundup of their work this academic year: money raised, money donated and money spent. It shows so well how your child benefits. I love their ethos around not only raising money for your children but also putting it towards extra events for their enjoyment and benefit. A really big thank you to the team led by Laura Kenyon, Felicity Morris and Jenny Plumb; incredible work! You can also view this on our website under 'Parents' – ['PTA'](#).



Curriculum News

On Thursday evening this week, our Year 6 stepped up to deliver their final performance of [Treasure Island](#) – absolutely fantastic – it was like being at the theatre for real and so good to see each child shine on the big stage. Well done to the children and all the staff who made this happen; a great achievement. See a couple of photos in the PSHE Blog.

Well done to all the children who took part in this term's Dunboyne homework portrait competition. It was a super tricky job for our friends to judge because, of course, beauty is in the eye of the beholder. On Monday those who achieved 1st and 2nd place will be taking their portraits to share at Dunboyne with those residents who are less mobile and couldn't make it into school. Photos to follow but in the meantime, you can see these portraits on Facebook.



Have a look in the [French Blog](#) to see how families and children enjoyed Year 4's Café français this week. Super event.

In our SMSC Blog, you can see the fun and creativity going on in [After School Club](#). There is a wonderful display celebrating the summer seasons and hundreds of pom poms that will soon be hanging in our own St Margaret's tree in St Marychurch over the summer holiday. Well done to all the children, Mrs Yandall and Mrs North.



In the Geography Blog you can see how [Year 3 Rowan Class](#) got on this week when they explored the Sunshine State. Enjoy.

Inclusive Club for Children with Disabilities

Every Wednesday, 6.30-8.30pm Barton Baptist Church is hosting a [club](#) for children with disabilities. Check out the website for more details under the *Parent* tab.

Torbay Residents Survey

Torbay Council has opened a survey for residents to help find out what you think about the council and life in Torbay. There is also a separate survey for 12–15-year-olds. It is open until 21st July. Click [here](#) to have your voice heard.

Parent Support

Just a reminder that on our website, under 'Parent' there is a tab called 'Useful Resources for Parents' with a wide range of support such as SEND advice, free holiday clubs, online safety and a lot more.

Help with Rising Costs – Reminders

- **Household Support Fund** – if you are on a welfare benefit / tax credit or have a disposable income of less than £50 per week:
[Household Support Fund - Torbay Council](#)
- Do you need help with child care? If so, try this website: <https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/>
- Help for households – very useful government website: <https://helpforhouseholds.campaign.gov.uk/>
- 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
- 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>

Happy weekend.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which appears to be 'Tim Hughes'.

Tim Hughes (Headteacher)



Beech	Freddie is our star of the week for always being aspirational. He shows all of the school values every day and tries his hardest at all times. He is kind, considerate and respectful and a pleasure to have in Beech Class - thank you Freddie!
Pine	All of Pine class are the stars this week, they have worked so incredibly hard this year and we are so proud of them. We will really miss them.
Oak	Rayyan for great participation in the lessons and for showing confidence when speaking in front of the class. Also for his amazing effort in the Art lessons, where he produced a fantastic sketch of Dawlish Warren. Well done Rayyan, you are a star!
Apple	Rosie has been chosen by her class friends this week for helping others find the correct book in the library. She has also been nominated by another adult for being super responsible coming into school in the mornings with a huge smile! Well done Rosie.
Birch	Penny for working hard in every subject all year. Thank you for your tremendous efforts and your cheeky smile!
Rowan	Emelia for her super collaborative work during our Geography lessons this week. She shows a lot of consideration for others and kindness - keep up the great work!
Cherry	Arlo is the star of the week in Cherry class because he has worked so hard on his writing over the whole year. He has continually challenged himself to use different writing techniques and worked consistently to improve his handwriting. Well done Arlo!
Hazel	Ava is Hazel's star of the week for being aspirational in everything she does. Ava truly is a ray of sunshine and spreads joy to everyone she meets. Well done Ava!
Willow	After such a fantastic year, we have really struggled to choose an individual child this week. We have decided that all of Willow class will be the star of the week for one final week in Year 5. Since September, the children have really grown, matured and progressed. We are so, so proud of them. They are definitely ready to be the new Y6s!
Holly	Joe is our star for showing such aspiration in our geography lessons. His hand has been up all the time, sharing lots of ideas and being such a respectful member of the Holly class team. Well done.
Maple	We have decided that the whole class deserves the star of the week award this week due to their brilliant performances of Treasure Island. Well done to all the actors, singers, narrators, sound and lighting crew - you are all amazing! :)
Hawthorn	After such fantastic performances in our Year 6 show, everyone in Hawthorn is our star of the week! Well done to you all - the actors, singers, narrators and sound and lighting crew - you were amazing!



Diary Dates

18th July 2023	Meet your child's new teacher 3.15-3.45pm
19th July 2023	Picnic on the field for New Starters and current Reception Children 3.30-4.30pm
20th July 2023	Rock Steady Concert 10am (FS, Y1 & Y2) 10.30am (Y3-6)
21st July 2023	Year 6 Leavers Assembly for parents and siblings 9.30-10am
21st July 2023	Year 6 BBQ
21st July 2023	Last day for all Pupils
4th September 2023	Non-Pupil Day (staff training)
5th September 2023	1st day back for pupils- please note the short week due to non pupil days
8th September 2023	Non-Pupil Day (staff training)

** Please note there will be **NO after school Sports clubs the last week of term W/C 17TH July.**
The only clubs to take place will be Singing and Musical Theatre

After school Club (wrap around care) will continue as normal.