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Spring Term Newsletter No. 8

What a fabulous response to World Book Day! Thank you for supporting us with this. The costumes were amazing and the children loved talking about their favourite books and characters. The book donations were incredible! We have a huge pile of books, so thank you for making a positive difference to children's lives. We have put photographs of the costumes on our Twitter page—click on the hyperlinks on this page if you want to see, or visit our website.



We also had fun on St David's Day trying out some welsh cakes and welsh cheese on our tasting table at lunch time. The tables had bunches of daffodils on and there was even a baby dragon!



On Thursday Y2 went to a multisports festival at St Cuthbert Mayne School and had a great time trying out different activities. This was organised by some of the pupils at the secondary school and they were really great at encouraging our children to have a go. The children scored points for different events and ended up winning the competition! Great effort, Apple and Oak Class!



This Week's Star Pupils:



Ash— Karolina Prochon

Elm-Poppy-Lou Fieldhouse

Beech - Summer Caine

Pine - Ben Jolly

Apple— Jasmine Hayman

Oak— Amelia Evans Rogers

Cherry— Jessica King

Holly — Luke Pyle

Willow- Toby Price

Maple — Jack Rigg

Birch - Lottie Ashby

Rowan — Charlie Tout

Hawthorn — Lewis Passmore

Hazel — Rhyanna Lewis

Diary Date Reminders:

Monday 7th March—Y6 Residential and Activities week Monday 7th March—Maple Class swimming Monday 14th March—Grandparent Gardening Week (watch out for more information from some of the classes!)

Monday 14th March—Science Week



Attendance Award

Congratulations to Birch and Oak Class for winning the School Attendance Award with 99.3% attendance.

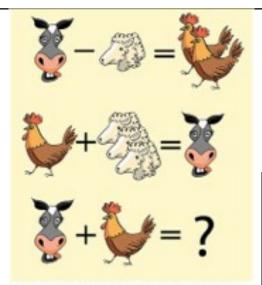
The whole school achieved 95.3% attendance overall which is above our target. Well done!



Don't forget to follow us on Twitter to see photographs and updates about school life.

https://twitter.com/StMargaretsTQ

Maths Challenge



Complete the animal algebra.



Birch Class are on "Chicken Duty" next week!

Please remember to send your child in with a coat and if they have wellies that could stay in school for the week that would be great—it avoids muddy shoes and trousers (and carpet through the school!)



Vacancy

Are you interested in working in the school? We have a vacancy for a mealtime assistant (with some kitchen porter duties) for 3 hours per day, 10.30am - 1.30pm, Monday to Friday, 38 weeks a year. Please call in and ask at the office for more information if you are interested in this post.

Medical Forms

Thank you for the many forms we have had back. If you have not returned it, can we please encourage you to complete the blue medical form and return it to the office as soon as possible so that the information we hold on your child is up to date and accurate.

PARENT MEETING ATTENDANCE 100% 90% 80% 70% 60% 50% 40% 30% 20% 10% 0% **Trine** Transe** Tr

The above graph shows the percentage of parents attending our Parent Meetings. We averaged 65% average turn out over the whole school which means nearly two thirds of our parents came to a meeting. We would love this figure to rise to 100% as it so important that home and school work together to support the children with their learning. Foundation Stage meetings will be before Easter.

Devon CAP UK

We are very excited that Devon CAP will be visiting school during the week before Easter (21st-23rd March) and on our return after the holidays (12th - 14th April). 'CAP' stands for Child Assault Prevention and is a project which brings together parents/carers, school staff and children to learn about keeping children safe and building safer communities. They have been working in Devon since 1995 and use drama, puppets and discussion to put across important safety messages in a fun and engaging way.

CAP will be holding a free parent workshop on 17th March from 1:30-3pm. All parents and carers are warmly invited to attend, giving you an opportunity to find out about Devon CAP and what they do. We will send out reminders via our newsletter, text and Twitter feed and we do hope many of you will be able to attend. If you have any questions about Devon CAP they have a helpful website

http://www.safestrongfree.org.uk/index.html

or please speak to your child's class teacher or Mrs Pike.