

St Margaret's Academy

Dear Parents,

It's been another fun-packed, super-busy week at St Margaret's Academy, best of which are our new feathered friends who started to hatch today; very exciting! See the [PSHE Blog](#) and Facebook for pictures.

With so much going on, please see a list of all the key dates for the rest of this term. It really is an incredibly busy time of year for staff so please do bear with us and be patient if anything slips through the net.



Safety Updates

With the hot weather upon us, please remember to send in your child with a hat and plenty to drink.

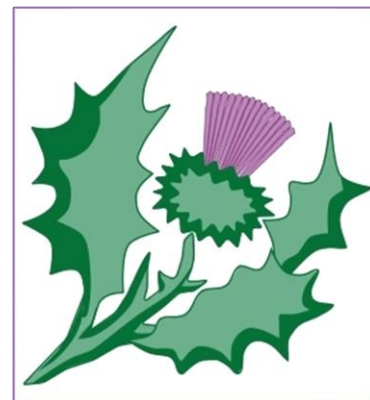
If your child is travelling to school on their bike or scooter, please do ensure they take care on the roads and pavements. It is very busy out there at drop-off and collection. Special care is needed coming down Barewell Road when high speeds can be reached. Also please be vigilant immediately outside the gates.

We continue to receive complaints from our neighbours about their drives being blocked by dangerous parking. Please do be considerate and careful. For example, St Margaret's Close is a private road with no access at all for vehicles. Please do respect this. Thank you for your support.

Parent Coffee Afternoons

It was lovely to catch up with some of you at this week's coffee afternoon for those of you with children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. It's good to get your feedback and insight. The next two will take place on

- Wednesday 22nd June for parents of children in Year 3 and Year 4
- Tuesday 28th June for parents of children in Year 5 and Year 6



**This week's
class attendance star
goes
to
Oak Class with
96.6%
Well done!**

**Whole school
attendance
is currently
92.3%**

Support and Ideas for Families

Next year we want to work more closely with you on a range of areas, from the curriculum to the tough but rewarding job of parenting.

If you are looking for some top tips to help at home, Mrs Pike has found this fantastic website which is really worth a look: <https://parentingsmart.place2be.org.uk/>

If you're looking for some help during these times of rising costs and pressures, here's another great place to look: <https://www.punkagainstopoverty.org/>

If you're looking for free summer holiday activities, here's a great place:
<https://www.playtorbay.org.uk/summer-events>

This next one has a cost attached to it but if you have a creative, musically-minded child, you might be interested in this summer holiday digital music club – Ocean Academy: Summer Holiday Boot Camp.

- 3-day Summer Holiday Boot Camp
- Winner St Studios, Paignton
- 2-4th Aug for 9-12 year olds / 9-11th Aug for 12-15 year olds
- Learn DJing, podcasting, music production, filmmaking and photography
- Produce your own songs, create music videos or get stuck into the world of radio broadcasting

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Reminder: **Free yoga** on Torre Abbey Meadow every Sunday 9.30-10.30am right through until 11th September.

Other Curriculum News

This week we were joined by some of our trustees in school to chat to the children about their learning and to visit Foundation Stage to see the amazing work going on with the little ones. It was a very useful day, helping us better understand what's going well and what we need to improve on.

Have a look in the [PSHE Blog](#) to see some photos of Year 5 enjoying their bikeability this week. Look in the [Science Blog](#) to see Year 4 Hazel explode their predictions.

Enjoy your weekend.



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read 'Tim Hughes'.

Tim Hughes (Headteacher)



Diary Dates

DATE	EVENT
Monday 20th June 2022	KS1 Sports Day 9.30-11.30am
Monday 20th June 2022	Geography project deadline for submission
Tuesday 21st June 2022	Windrush Diversity Day (in school events/activities)
Wednesday 22nd June 2022	Parent Coffee Afternoon 2.15pm (Y3 & Y4 parents)
Thursday 23rd June 2022	Foundation Stage Sports Days 1.45-3.00pm
Thursday 23rd June 2022	Class Photo - all children to come to school in uniform (Bring PE kit if it is a PE day)
Friday 24th June 2022	KS2 Sports Day 9.30-11.30am (track events) 1.15-3.00pm (Carousel of events)
Tuesday 28th June 2022	Parent Coffee Afternoon 2.15pm (Y5 & Y6 parents)
Friday 1st July	Non-Uniform Day to donate a bottle for PTA summer Fair
Saturday 9th July 2022	Summer Fair 11am - 2pm
11th- 15th July 2022	Reports to parents during this week. These will include information about who your child's next teacher will be.
Tuesday 12th July 2022	New Reception starters Picnic on the field 3.30-4.30
Wednesday 13th July 2022	Year 6 Show - 2.00pm and 6.00pm
Thursday 14th July 2022	Year 6 Show - 6.00pm
Thursday 21st July 2022	M&M production show (more information to follow)
Thursday 21st July 2022	Year 6 Leavers Disco - time TBC
Friday 22nd July 2022	Year 6 leavers assembly and BBQ - times TBC
Friday 22nd July 2022	Last day of term



Beech	You are all my stars this week! Each one of you has tried so hard in your phonics and maths quizzes. You are noticing how much you are all improving in your reading and it is so lovely to see your enthusiasm to improve each day. Well done Beech Stars!
Pine	Alanna is our star because she is always so enthusiastic about every aspect of learning!
Oak	Sophie- for putting great effort into her writing by joining her letters neatly and including more detail in her sentences. Keep up the great work Sophie- you are a star!
Apple	Amelia's writing recently has been so aspirational! She has shown responsibility in her learning by being very independent in the sentences she has planned and written. This is why Amelia is our amazing Apple this week 😊
Birch	Lilly Fitz for smiling and working hard all week! Your smile is so infectious and spreads happiness through our class :-)
Rowan	Our star of the week is River for being so kind and respectful this week. River has tried really hard every day and listened well to instructions. She has also written some lovely descriptive rhymes in her poem. Keep it up River!
Cherry	Libby for always trying hard with her work. She has become very good at asking for help when she needs it and working independently when she doesn't. Well done Libby.
Hazel	Sienna - For being so enthusiastic about learning this week and even taking time out of your lunch to prepare your geography project. Very responsible and aspirational!
Willow	Oakley is our star this week in Willow. Oakley has had a fantastic week, even though it has been a different week, Oakley has shown great resilience and produced some excellent work. Well done, Oakley!
Holly	Kye is our star for his continued, amazing effort with TTRockstars. He is our highest overall earner and his effort is reflected in his improving speed of recall. Well done Kye!
Maple	Logan is the star for his effort in writing this week. He has been taking care of the presentation of his work and has shown such aspiration in his learning - well done and keep up the great work!
Hawthorn	Ethan is our Star of the Week, and could be every week! He always shows such responsibility and maturity, in his behaviour and his attitude towards his learning. He consistently works hard to do his very best and should be so proud of himself. Well done Ethan.