

St Margaret's Academy

Dear Parents,

We started this week with a 1952 quiz in our Monday assembly with each class (children and adults) competing to guess the cost of various items, name household items and guess how many people owned various items. It was like a lockdown quiz event. Congratulations to Year 1 Pine Class who won with 7/10 correct answers.

Next Friday, 27th May, we are celebrating the Queen's 70th Jubilee with various events in school. This will be a non-uniform day and we're asking everybody to wear something red, white and blue. There will also be a Jubilee themed picnic lunch held on the school field (weather permitting). Please order your child's picnic box via the school gateway by Tuesday 24th May. (Please note there will be no hot meal option on Friday 27th May)

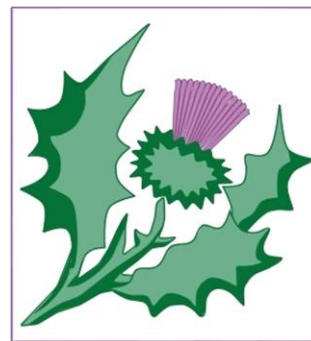
The 1952 Quiz

Here are some sample questions from the quiz. There are no picture or music questions for you though and no multiple choice. Answers next week.

1. To the nearest whole million, what was the population of the UK?
2. What percentage of families owned a telephone?
3. What did a new TV cost, bearing in mind this was a luxury item and only 1% of families owned one at the start of the year?
4. Children played outdoors more. What was one of the most popular hobbies they enjoyed when playing outside?
5. Name a popular indoor hobby children and adults enjoyed.

Maths News

In our staff meeting on Tuesday, Mrs Rice led us through how we're developing fluency in number. This is about fast recall of facts such as being able to instantly recognise 5 objects as being 5 without having to count in 1s. You might recall our launch of the TT Rockstars tables recall day. More photos of this event that took place on 28th April which can now be found in the [Maths Blog](#).



Friday 27th May

Jubilee Celebrations
Mufti-Wear Red, White & Blue
Picnic Lunch- please order via the gateway

Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June

Half Term

Monday 6th June

School Closed to mark Queens 70th year as monarch

Wednesday 22nd June

Geography homework competition deadline

Polite Reminder

Dogs are **not** permitted on school grounds at any time **even if you are carrying them.**

Could we please ask parents **not** drive into the school carpark to drop their children off in the mornings.

Many Thanks

Christians against Poverty (CAP)

Worried about your finances? talktous@st-matthias-church.org or phone 01803 214175 – 7.00pm on 7th, 14th or 21st June at St Matthias Church Hall. The free help is for everyone regardless of age, gender, faith or background. For more about the course see <https://capuk.org/i-want-help/cap-money-course/introduction>

Clothes Exchange – bring 3 quality items and swap for 3 others, any age at St Matthias Preschool 17th May 3.00-5.00pm and 26th May 3.00-6.00pm

Amazon School Book Wish List

As a school we have been buying books for the children to enjoy in class as part of our Reading for Pleasure Project. It is always the case that more books are requested as new ones come out. If you would like to donate a book to us you can do so via Amazon. If you are interested in doing this please use the link below to choose books from the St Margaret's Wish List.

https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/FOD16NCSLQOX?ref=wl_share

It has been set up so that if you select a book it will take you to your own amazon account where you can pay for it and choose whether to have it delivered to your home address or alternatively you could add the school address for it to be sent to us.

We thank you for your continued support

Reading for Pleasure

This year we have been developing our love of reading in partnership with the Open University. At the start of the year we asked if parents could complete a reading questionnaire and we are asking you to complete this again now we are drawing to the end of the year. Please use the link below to complete the quiz.

Thank you for your support

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/N3MWGQ3>

Various Support for Parents and Families

In our 'Wellbeing for Families' page of the website there are two useful pages: '[Support for Families](#)' and '[Resources for Parents](#)'. In the latter you can find all sorts of information to help you do the tricky job of being a parent. In the former you can find all sorts of family activities that take place. Just added:

- Free yoga on Torre Abbey Meadow every Sunday 9.30-10.30am right through until 11th September.
- In Cockington, you can join free mindfulness and nature walks every Wednesday from 1.00-2.00pm, running until 15th June.

After School club

Should you need to contact the staff at after school club in an **emergency**, please call the following number 01803 321922. Please note no bookings or amendments will be taken on this number. This number is only for use between 3pm and 5.15pm and will not be monitored outside these times.

Have a lovely weekend.



Tim Hughes (Headteacher)



Beech	Jack is our star of the week for being a superstar. You tried so hard on your writing this week and made your Jewish Mezuzah all by yourself and even had a go at writing your Shema.
Pine	Oscar is our star this week because we have noticed a real improvement with his effort in class over the last few weeks. He is putting his hand up more and really trying, well done Oscar!
Oak	Rosie- for her effort and participation in lessons this week and for showing determination at the multi-skill competition yesterday. Keep up the great work Rosie- well done!
Apple	Theon has been amazing during our Year 2 quizzes, persevering and never giving up on a question. He is a perfect example of if you keep trying you will get there, well done Theon, your hard work is paying off!
Birch	Noah for his unwavering enthusiasm and amazing positivity. You are such a happy learner and we are so proud of you and the progress you have made!
Rowan	Lilli S is our star of the week for showing respect to the members of the public during our Geography field trip around St Marychurch. When interviewing the public, Lilli was ever so polite and a fantastic representation of the children here at St Margaret's! Well done!
Cherry	Pheonix is our star of the week for the wonderful pottery canopic jar she created. She showed great concentration and skill, and was very kind, helping others with their pottery creations. She also amazed us with her persuasive letter which was beautifully presented. Well done Pheonix.
Hazel	Lewis - For all of the hard work you have done since being in Hazel class. We will really miss your enthusiasm and effort for all that you do. Good luck in your new school!
Willow	Willow's star this week is Stephanie. Stephanie has really impressed us with her aspiration and responsibility this week. Stephanie has been so resilient in our new Maths where we are looking at angles which has really paid off! Well done!
Holly	We have been really impressed for a while with Luciana's improved effort and participation in our lessons, especially in maths and PSHE. Well done!
Maple	Jesse for having such a respectful attitude in class and trying so hard in his writing this week. He has worked so hard on his narrative, taking on adult feedback and using an impressively wide range of vocabulary - super effort!
Hawthorn	Cherry is Hawthorn's Star of the Week for the fantastic effort she put into producing her narrative writing this week, both in the excellent description and the quality of its presentation. Brilliant work, Cherry!