

# St Margarets Academy

**Hands-Face-Space-Fresh Air- Act as if you've got it**

Dear Parents,

"We need a village to raise a child." I came across this lovely sentence at a meeting with local Head Teachers this week and I thought it worth sharing as we're all in this together to help make a difference.

I always feel very proud to work at St Margaret's and believe it's a very special place with lovely pupils and a very caring and talented group of staff. I thought it would be nice to share with you what potential new parents thought of our school following two tours so far for places in Reception in 2022.

- The office staff were well organised and lovely to speak to on the phone
- Staff were kind and just lovely and seemed to genuinely care
- The children were happy
- It just felt like a really lovely school the moment I walked in
- The grounds are amazing - so much outdoor space
- Very impressed with how kind and happy the children were
- Love the school values

## Are you a parent new to the school?

As some of our new parents missed school tours because of the pandemic, I have had a request to hold a tour for current parents of children in Reception. I've scheduled Monday 15.11.21 at 9.30am. If you would like to book a place, please contact the office.



## Upcoming Events

### October 18

Harvest Festival for Children

### November 15

New Parent Tour

### November 25

Individual Photographs



**This week's class  
attendance star goes to**

**Apple with 99.3%**

**Well done**

## More Important News

### Curriculum in Action Blogs

As we return to more normal schooling, free of bubbles, it's great to see your children taking leadership roles in school again. On the 'Curriculum in Action' tab scroll down to 'Pupil Voice Blogs'. Here you will find the first blogs and news for the new teams:

- [School Council](#) (led by Mr Tullier)
- [Sports Leaders](#) (led by Mr Mayling)
- [Play Leaders](#) (led by Mr Mayling)
- Reading Ambassadors (led by Mrs Turner) – coming soon
- Digital Leaders (led by Miss Pritchard) – coming soon

Have a look in the [Science Blog](#) to see how the animals enjoyed visiting Year 2. Look in the [Arts Blog](#) to see how Year 2 have been inspired to mix colours by Quentin Blake.

### Harvest

On Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October we are holding a Harvest Festival for children in the hall. The Reverend Nathan and his Jump team will be joining us and leading us in this reflection and celebration. We will be staggering the assemblies to run them in phase groups at 3 different times to help with safe distancing. It will be a lovely opportunity to have our first in-person type of show since the pandemic began. **We welcome any donations of non-perishable food items to mark the occasion and for us to give back to those most in need in our community. Please send these in on the morning of the 18<sup>th</sup> with your child.**

### Wellies

If you would like your children to access the Orchard at lunchtimes and playtimes, please do send them in with a pair of wellies, very clearly named. Thank you.

Have a superdooper weekend,



Tim Hughes (Headteacher)



## In the Community

### Cave Yoga

Are you interested in doing yoga in the caves of Kent's Cavern? If so, there are two free sessions on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> October, 9.15-10.00am. There is free parking. The class has been running for a few weeks but there are currently tickets available for these dates. It's a unique experience, as the Yoga and meditation take place in the setting of the Prehistoric caves. Beginners welcome! Click the link for more information: <https://www.kents-cavern.co.uk/events/detail/yoga-in-the-caves>

### Free Tickets for Torquay United v Kings Lynn Town 23.10.21

If you buy a child's ticket for this match, the adults go free. <https://torquayunited.com/fixtures-and-results/fixtures/>



Beech	Rosie is a superstar every single day. She listens so carefully and remembers so many facts about our learning. She was the perfect waiter in our soup cafe today doing all the washing up and serving!
Pine	Lottie has been a great helper this week and has been extending her learning by asking lots of questions and trying all new learning opportunities. Well done Lottie.
Oak	Poppy- for always showing kindness to others and helping them to solve their problems. For also being brave, calm and respectful during our animal visit this week. You are a super star Poppy!
Apple	We have had Little Miss Sunshine in Apple class this week, Ella has been really brave in coming into school and has not stopped smiling! Well done Ella you are a superstar.
Birch	Isabella - for all round excellence in everything. A phenomenal start to year 3 and key stage 2. We are so proud of you and know you will achieve great things this year.
Rowan	Lily-Summer is our star of the week this week. She is consistently showing the core values in school by always doing the right thing and showing great listening skills. Lily-Summer has especially shown great aspiration when writing her final story in English this week. Keep it up Lily-Summer!
Cherry	Mabel - has really impressed us with her story writing this week. She has worked hard to include a variety of techniques to engage the reader and we really enjoyed listening to her story. Well done Mabel you have shown our school value of aspiration.
Hazel	Precious - For your fantastic writing this week. You have been very motivated and independent. What a wonderful story!
Willow	This week our star is Seren. Seren has really matured over the last few weeks and has really stepped up to the challenges in Year 5. Seren has shown great aspiration in her work this week - particularly in reading, as well as kindness to her friends and respect towards the adults. Seren, you have worked so hard - keep it up!
Holly	Georgia - We have been so impressed with her attitude to her learning this week, particularly in maths. She has worked so hard and it is really showing in her independent work.
Maple	Thomas - he has shown the school value of kindness countless amounts of times this week. He has been so kind to both adults and his peers, always offering help at any opportunity before anyone has the chance to ask! I have been so impressed - well done.
Hawthorn	Corey - for his fantastic independent writing which demonstrated tremendous effort and aspiration. We were so impressed with how hard you had worked to produce it - well done Corey!