

# St Margarets Academy

**Hands-Face-Space- FRESH AIR-Act as if you've got it**

Dear Parents,

This week we have been marking national Anti-bullying Week in school. Children have been doing a daily act of kindness: one for themselves and one for someone else. We have all been wearing odd socks as a reminder to celebrate differences. In our PSHE Blog you can find some [odd socks art in Year 1](#) and [anti-bullying poems from Year 5](#).



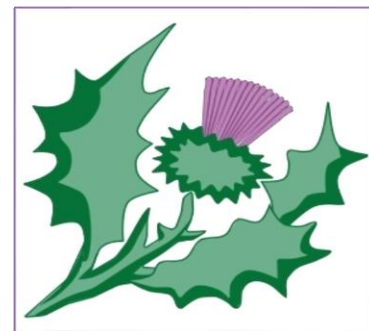
Our Chair of the Trustees, James Bennett has asked that I share a little more about the good news from our recent school review. The review was led by an experienced Ofsted Inspector and the team included an experienced Head Teacher and two Deputy Head Teachers, each from different schools across the country. Our educational provision was recognised as effective and the leadership and management at all levels identified as "leading practice". As such, we've been invited to share some of our work on a national level which is very exciting. We know we still have lots to keep improving at school but the recognition of our work is a great boost and should help give you confidence that St Margaret's is a fantastic place for your child to be educated through their primary years.

## Curriculum in Action

On Tuesday this week, artist Gaby Lovatt joined us in school to work with our talented pupil artists. Have a look in the [Arts Blog](#) to see how they got on. Follow the hashtag to also find out more: #sssh\_seagull



Look in the [PSHE Blog](#) to see how Y5 Holly Class got on raising a monster £663 for the RNLI is their sponsored swim, with a special mention to Maya who raised nearly half the total. Read the blog to see Maya's comments.



## Upcoming Events

**November 22**

Parents Evening Week

**November 25**

Individual school photos



**This week's  
class attendance star  
goes  
to  
Willow Class with  
98.4%  
Graet Attendance**

Look in the [Eco Blog](#) to see a thank you certificate from the WWF-UK for St Margaret's promises as part of COP26.

## Parent Talents

As part of our curriculum we would love to get more parents involved in sharing their areas of expertise, interest, careers – also any grandparents who might have wonderful stories to tell. If you think you have something to share, we would love to hear from you so please do get in touch.

## Sandwiches

From next week, there will be no sandwich option on roast dinner days: Tuesdays and Thursdays. The logistics and time of making these has proved too tricky. However, we will review this after Christmas. Thank you for your understanding.

## Winterfest in St Marychurch

On Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> December, there is a Christmas festival being held in the precinct in St Marychurch from 12.00-4.00pm with a special visitor arriving from the North Pole at 2.30pm and the Christmas lights turning on at 4.00pm

## Staying Safe On-line

I hope you found the weekly feature for on-line safety useful. Below is a reminder of what was covered, all of which can also be found in single collated titled, 'Online Safety Information for Parents (Nov 2021)' under 'Information for Parents' – 'E-safety', [quick link here](#).

**Sharing Information, Pictures and Videos** – found in the newsletter, dated 12.11.21

**Watching Videos** – found in the newsletter, dated 5.11.21

**Chatting, Being Kind and Making Friends Online** - found in the newsletter, dated 22.10.21

**On-line Gaming** – found in the newsletter, dated 15.10.21

## Super Helpful Good Parenting Website

Check out this really useful website:  
<https://parents.actionforchildren.org.uk/>

# PTA



There is now a quick link to the PTA Events page under "useful links" on the school gateway



**WE NEED YOUR CHRISTMAS JUMPERS!!**

The PTA are arranging a Christmas jumper fundraiser in the coming weeks and we need your help!

**ALL SIZES REQUIRED  
PLEASE PASS TO YOUR  
CHILDS TEACHER OR TO THE  
SCHOOL OFFICE.**

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## Parents Evenings

Parents Evening for children in Years 1 to 6 will take place next week. You should have received information about this and been able to book a 10 minute phone call appointment. I hope that we can offer face to face meetings in the spring term.

Enjoy your weekend. Keep reading.



Tim Hughes (Headteacher)



Beech	Joshua - Joshua absolutely loves to learn. It is such a pleasure to have you in our class, you bring so much to our class discussion and you are always ready to push yourself further in your maths - well done and keep it up.
Pine	Harvey- for having such a fab day on Thursday, he spent ages making a stocking for the fireplace and was really focused. Well Done Harvey
Oak	Lily- for always showing respect to others and for her amazing listening in lessons. Great effort in the maths lessons this week too Lily. Well done!
Apple	Vincent is such a joy to have in Apple, he is kind, responsible and always tries his hardest in all of his learning. You are our Star of the week Vincent, well done!
Birch	Elyce for showing all of our school values all of the time! You are making good progress in all subjects this year and we are very proud of you.
Rowan	Evie B for showing all of the core values consistently. Evie shows kindness and respect by being helpful around the classroom to the adults and other children. She has a fantastic attitude towards her learning - keep it up Evie!
Cherry	Oliver C is our star of the week. He has been working hard during our maths lessons. He has shown great enthusiasm and desire to learn. Well done Oliver.
Hazel	Sofia - For demonstrating our core value - Kindness, this week and every week! You are a role model to other children and should be very proud
Willow	Our star of the week in Willow is Charlie Higgs. Charlie has shown all of the school values this week and has made a huge effort to improve his attitude towards his learning. We are so pleased for you Charlie, keep it up!
Holly	Ellie is such a kind and caring member of the class and she works so hard! She listens to advice and tries to improve her work and works well with anyone.
Maple	Avalon for your hard work in literacy this week and for always following the school values
Hawthorn	Mylee is Hawthorn's Star of the Week for her kindness and terrific aspiration. She is so caring and considerate towards everyone. In our writing lessons she always shows courage to offer ideas, even if she is not sure. In maths this week she has persevered with fractions even when she's found it difficult and has achieved success as a result. You are a superstar, Mylee!