

# Newsletter 1



Welcome back to the new term and start of the academic year. I hope you all had a good summer break - the children have certainly started back very well and school already has a busy hum about the place! It's lovely to see them settle in to their new classroom environments. A very warm welcome to all our new children and families in Early Years and across the school. There are some very important reminders in this newsletter so please take time to read each section.

## School Absence

Absence for any reason, please notify the school office either by phone 01903 785416 or email [school@stmargaretsprimary.org.uk](mailto:school@stmargaretsprimary.org.uk)

May I remind you that Headteachers are NOT allowed by law to authorise absence in term time except for 'exceptional circumstances.' Children are in school for 190 days per year. Holidays in term time cannot be included as 'exceptional circumstances' except in very rare cases. As such Headteachers are not permitted to authorise such absences and the Local Authority (NOT the school) may issue a fine.

In the exceptional case where you may have to request absence from school please complete the form available on the school's website or from the school office at least one month in advance of the first date of absence.

## Meet the Teachers

We would like to give parents the chance to meet your child's class teacher if you have not already done so. We will be holding informal 'Meet the Teacher' sessions for parents to drop in at **2.30pm** for an introduction to the year, outline of the curriculum, general class routines and a chance to answer any questions.

Children will be in assembly at this time and can be collected from school at the usual time.

### **Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> September Years 1 - 3**

Years 1 and 2 enter school via Arundel Road school gate. Year 3 enter via the year 3 gate (near William Older pre school).

### **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September Years 4 - 6**

Enter school via Arundel Road school gate

## Prayer Group

St Margaret's Church Prayer Group would welcome some new parents to join their prayer group.

A group of adults meets each month (termtime) to pray for the school, usually on first Friday, at 9.00 am at the vestry hall, St Margaret's Church. For directions and dates please contact Wendy Sutton on [mwsutton@talktalk.net](mailto:mwsutton@talktalk.net). Babies and pre-schoolers welcome too.

## PE Kit

Please ensure your child's PE kit stays in school. It will be sent home each half term for washing. Children without their kit will still have to do PE using spare clean kit held at school as this is part of the school curriculum.

## Sickness and Diarrhoea

Our sickness policy is that any child who has been sick or had an upset tummy needs to stay at home for 48hrs from the last bout of being unwell.

## School Clubs

We are pleased to be able to offer a greater variety of extracurricular activities this year. Please see the table attached to this newsletter and speak to your child to see if they would like to attend. Keeping active and healthy is a key part of our education. We are happy to offer school run clubs free of charge. Clubs not run by St Margaret's will have a cost.

JOIN US FOR OUR  
**Summer Fair 2019**

FREE ENTRY

NEW DATE! JOIN US ON  
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13<sup>TH</sup>,  
4:30 TO 7:30 PM.

Join us for lots of fun including:  
bouncy castles • Activ8 and Dance4Days  
performance • raffle • sweet stall •  
toy stall • face painting • music • food stalls  
and much more!

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ST MARGARET'S PRIMARY SCHOOL  
ARUNDEL ROAD, ANGMERING

### Walking Home Permission

If you have decided to give your child permission to walk home, OR released by a teacher without a parent present to come and find you elsewhere in the playground, you must complete a Walking Home Permission Form on our website or email the school office, giving your permission.

We are very concerned about Year 4 children walking home. The majority of schools in our local area do not allow Year 4 children to leave school unaccompanied by an adult. For the next two terms Year 4 children will need to be collected by an adult but we will review this in the summer term.



### Bicycles and Scooters

When your child is out and about on a bicycle or scooter please make sure that you speak to your child about being sensible and to be aware of the traffic. We would advise helmets to be worn.

The road can be a dangerous place!



Everything that your child brings to school, including water bottles, needs to be named!

### Library Books

To ensure smooth running of the library as far as possible children will have set days for changing their library books.

Monday: Years 6 and 2

Tuesday: Year 5

Wednesday: Year 4

Thursday: Year 3



### Uniform

St Margaret's has a clear and reasonable school uniform policy. Uniform helps develop a sense of community in school, as well as providing a "level playing field" for all children regardless of background. We want our children to look smart, be ready for learning and have a sense of pride in their school uniform. Children in years 5 and 6 need to take particular notice of uniform as they prepare for the strict uniform policy at secondary school!

In line with DFE policy we try to ensure that our school uniform is **not** a financial burden to parents. We only have five items that cannot be purchased in local stores. These are our school jumpers £12.55, cardigans £13.55, PE shirt with school logo £7.49 (available from Brigade), school hooded sweatshirt £14.95 and our school tie £4.50 elastic and £5.00 for tie up (available from Brigade but the school do have a small stock of ties).

Please see the school uniform list at the end of this newsletter.

### Footwear

Children should wear appropriate footwear (shoes) for use in school. The footwear item in the uniform list below is highlighted for your particular attention.

**Helpful Hint** – School uniform is something children would never wear out of school hours – if it's a jumper/footwear/trousers that they would wear at the weekend, it's pretty certainly not uniform!!





### Forest School

We are extremely fortunate to have an extensive Forest School area at the top of our school field which we are keen to see being used on a regular basis.

Active outdoor learning is an essential part of children's education and helps to develop practical skills, an appreciation and understanding of the natural world, co-operation, teamwork, self-esteem and resilience.

As Forest School activities are very practical it requires a higher adult : pupil ratio so we would be grateful for parent/volunteers to help us.

Please contact the school office if you would like to help with Forest School – the more the merrier!

This half term Year 4 will be attending on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons.



### Asda Rewards for Schools

Asda have now opened up their rewards app to offer a rewards cashpot for schools. If you shop in Asda please use the rewards app and select St Margaret's School Angmering. A percentage of the value of your shop is donated by Asda each time you shop and scan your rewards app. The value of your own cashpot is not affected. This is running until 30/11/2024.



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – Autumn Term 2024

Date	Time	Event
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> September	All day starting at 8.30am	School Photographer taking individual and family groups in the school hall
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	2.30pm	Meet the Teachers Years 1-3
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> September	2.30pm	Meet the Teacher Years 4-6
Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> September	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Reception Tea Party at The Rectory, St Margaret's Church, Angmering BN16 4JU
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> October	9.15am 10.00am	Years 4, 5 and 6 Harvest Festival service at St Margaret's Church (Parents invited to attend) Years 1, 2 and 3 Harvest Festival service at St Margaret's Church (Parents invited to attend)
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October		The official opening of the Tomlin Centre by Nick Sharratt (Author)
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October	3.30pm – 6.00pm	Parents Evening
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	4.00pm – 7.00pm	Parents Evening
<b>Monday 28<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> November</b>		<b>Half Term</b>
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	All day	INSET DAY School Closed
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November	6.00pm	Year 6 Cobnor Presentation
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	11.00am	Remembrance Service – all welcome
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November	6.00pm	Year 4 Dalesdown Presentation
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	9.15am 10.00am 1.30pm	Years 4, 5 and 6 Church Service at St Margaret's Church (Parents invited to attend) Years 1, 2 and 3 Church Service at St Margaret's Church (Parents invited to attend) Year 1 and 2 Christmas play dress rehearsal to ½ school
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am 1.30pm	Year 1 and 2 Christmas play dress rehearsal to ½ school Year 1 and 2 Christmas play to parents and carers
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am 2.30pm	Year 1 and 2 Christmas play to parents and carers EYFS Christmas Nativity to parents
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	6.30pm	Carols in the car park
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December		Last Day of School
First day back after Christmas is Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025		

It's been a lovely first week back and children have settled well into their classes. We look forward to seeing you at our Meet the Teacher afternoons.

Yours sincerely

**Mike Jee**

**Headteacher**



**ST MARGARET'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
**AFTER SCHOOL AND LUNCHTIME CLUBS – AUTUMN TERM 2024**

Day	Club	Times	Year Group	Staff	Room/Changing Area
<b>Monday</b>					
Outside Agency	Activ8 Circuits	8.00 – 8.40am	Years 3 - 6	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	Drama Studio
Outside Agency	Activ8 Yoga	3.00 – 4.00pm	All years	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	School Hall
School Run	Netball	3.00 - 4.00pm	Years 4/5/6	Miss Norcross, Mrs Keates, Mrs Parris	Top Playground
School Run	Year 6 Homework Club	3.00 – 4.00pm	Year 6	Mrs Cornell and Mrs Neylon	Bramber Class
Outside Agency	Primary Tap Dance	4.30 – 5.10pm	Years R - Year 2	<a href="http://www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk">www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk</a>	Drama Studio
Outside Agency	Grade 1 Tap Dance	5.15 - 6.00pm	Years 3 - 6	<a href="http://www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk">www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk</a>	Drama Studio
Outside Agency	Activ8 Football	3.00 – 4.00pm	Years 1 and 2	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	Old Oak Classroom/Field
<b>Tuesday</b>					
Outside Agency	Dance4dayz Musical Theatre	5.00 – 6.00pm	Ages 4 – 12	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	Drama Studio
Outside Agency	Activ8 Musical Theatre	3.00 – 4.00pm	All years	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	Drama Studio
Outside Agency	Activ8 Olympic Sport	3.00 – 4.00pm	Years 1 and 2	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	Old Oak Classroom/Field
<b>Wednesday</b>					
School run	Lighthouse Club	12.30 - 1.00pm	Years 3 and 4	Chris Wilson from St Margaret's Church	TBC
School run	Choir	3.05 – 3.45pm	Years 2/3/4/5/6	Mr Carton	School Hall
Outside Agency	Activ8 Fitness	3.00 – 4.00pm	Years 1 and 2	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	Old Oak Classroom
Outside Agency	Kids with Bricks (Lego)	3.00 - 4.00pm	Years R - 4	<a href="http://www.kidswithbricks.com">www.kidswithbricks.com</a>	Bodiam Classroom
Outside Agency	Activ8 Girls Football	3.00 - 4.00pm	Years 3 - 6	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	Otter Class/Field
Outside Agency	Dance4dayz Dance	5.30 - 6.15pm	(4 – 12 yrs)	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	Drama Studio
Outside Agency	Karate	5.00 - 6.00pm	Years 1 – 6	(m) 07401 574105	School Hall
<b>Thursday</b>					
Outside Agency	Activ8 Dance	8.00 - 8.40am	All years	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	School Hall
School Run	Football	3.00 - 4.00pm	Years 5/6	Mr Hallam	Field
Outside Agency	Activ8 Cheer	3.00 – 4.00pm	All years	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	School Hall
Outside Agency	Mini Movers – intro to ballet and modern	4.00 – 4.40pm	Years R – 2	<a href="http://www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk">www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk</a>	Drama Studio
Outside Agency	Musical Theatre Minis	4.45 - 5.30pm	Reception - Year 2	<a href="http://www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk">www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk</a>	Drama Studio
Outside Agency	Musical Theatre Juniors	5.35 - 6.20pm	Years 3 - 6	<a href="http://www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk">www.charlottereaderdance.co.uk</a>	Drama Studio
Outside Agency	ArtKids	3.00 - 4.00pm	Years 1 - 5	<a href="http://www.artkids.co.uk">www.artkids.co.uk</a>	Bodiam Classroom
<b>Friday</b>					
Outside Agency	Activ8 Basketball	8.00 - 8.40am	All years	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	School Hall
Outside Agency	Activ8 Football	3.00 – 4.00pm	Years 3 and 4	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	Old Oak Classroom/Field
Outside Agency	Activ8 Gym	3.00 - 4.00pm	All years	<a href="https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com">https://activ8forkids.ipalbookings.com</a>	School Hall

## School Uniform

School jumpers, cardigans, ties and book bags can be purchased from our supplier, Brigade online <http://www.brigade.uk.com/>

### Early Years:

- White polo shirt
- Grey (not charcoal) trousers/shorts/skirt/ dress
- School logo jumper/ cardigan
- **Black school shoes**

### Year 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6

- White short or long sleeved shirt/ blouse
- Grey (not charcoal) trousers/shorts/skirt/ dress
- School tie
- School logo jumper/ cardigan
- **Black school shoes**

Girls are permitted to wear navy gingham summer dresses during the warmer months. Long hair should be tied up and bows/bands/ clips must be discreet.

### P.E. Kit

- School logo PE shirt
- Navy sports or cycling shorts
- Plimsolls or white/ black trainers
- Navy jogging bottoms and navy hooded jumper for colder months.

**N.B. Jewellery and ear piercings:** Pupils with pierced ears may wear discreet studs to school. We would request these to be removed for PE or covered for health and safety reasons. No other jewellery should be worn.

## Training

### Autumn 2024

(1st half-term)

Reaching Families offer a range of free training courses and workshops to parents and carers of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities in West Sussex



#### Training Workshops

##### September

Making Sense of Anxiety in Children (Primary age)	Tuesday 10th	7.30pm
Understanding ADHD	Friday 13th	10.30am
Making Sense of Wellbeing: Key skills to improving communication	Tuesday 17th	10.30am
Making Sense of SEN Support at School	Tuesday 24th	10.30am
Understanding Avoidant Restrictive Food Intake Disorder (ARFID)	Friday 27th	10.30am

##### October

Making Sense of Personal Independence Payment (PIP)	Thursday 3rd	7.30pm
Understanding Autism	Friday 4th	10.30am
Making Sense of Annual Reviews	Thursday 10th	7.30pm
An Introduction to Makaton	Wednesday 23rd	7.30pm

##### The SEND Foundation Course

An introduction to SEND and the key issues parents and carers will encounter as their children grow and develop.

**Dates:** 2nd October / 9th October (2-part course)      **Wednesdays 10.00am-11.15pm**

All training above will be delivered via Zoom



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All our workshops are free of charge, for more information or to book a place, please visit our Eventbrite page or scan the QR code.

<https://reachingfamilies.eventbrite.com>



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**ANGMERING REVEALED**

**SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER**

**ANGMERING COMMUNITY CENTRE 11:30 - 15:00**  
FOXWOOD AVE, ANGMERING, BN16 4FU

Come and meet many different Groups, Clubs, Associations and local businesses based in Angmering.

Enjoy something to eat or drink from some local food vendors; from a cup of barista style coffee to a great tasting pizza or even an ice cream!

Have a go on the free giant inflatable play centre as well as other rides.

Other free activities will also be available on the day.

For more information please call **01903 772 124**  
or email [admin@angmering-pc.gov.uk](mailto:admin@angmering-pc.gov.uk)