

Newsletter 5



19th December 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the end of another busy term there are some reminders and dates for you.

Learning God's Way

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Well done to all the children who have worked so hard this term and made so many contributions to the life of the school. It was lovely to see so many parents coming into school this week to look at the Exhibition of children's work developed during the "Create" project this term. Some really outstanding work has been produced and displayed along with some deep learning across the year groups.

Our sports teams have also performed really well with the boys reaching the Southern Area Finals and the girls WINNING the Southern Area Finals competition. The girls now go on to the Danone Cup finals to be held in January 2025. Well done everyone who took part!!



Thank You

A big thank you to our volunteers who give up their time to support the children in so many ways: reading volunteers, members of the Rotary Club who help with maths, parents who come on trips with the children and our wonderful Forest School volunteers without whom we couldn't run so many Forest School experiences for our children. A special thank you too for those who support the PTA and who put on such a lovely (and crowded!) Christmas Fayre last week. Fantastic job everyone!



We say a fond goodbye to Mrs Coomber, who has been working here as one of our Midday Meal Team for many years. We thank her for all that she has done for children at lunchtimes at St Margaret's and we wish her all the best for the future.

We wish Mrs Ballingal, Teacher in Charge of the Tomlin Centre, well as she leaves at the end of this week for her maternity leave and look forward to hearing about the safe arrival of her baby in the New Year.

welcome TO THE TEAM

We welcome three new members of staff to our team. Lerryn Bant, who started last week. James Dunstone who is starting after Christmas to cover the maternity leave of Mary Ballingal as Teacher in Charge of the Tomlin Centre, initially working Fridays until February Half Term, and then full time after that. Bella Scialdone who will be working two days a week as an LSA in the Tomlin Centre.

Free webinars for Parents through Cyber Choices:

THE DIGITAL DILEMMA: Keeping Your Kids Safe Online
Thames Valley Police Cyber Protect are running a free webinar to help parents and carers understand some of the risks young people face online, and how they can best protect themselves and their family from falling victim to cyber criminal behaviours!

Covering social media, gaming and emails, this webinar will give you tips and tricks to help you protect them in today's online world.

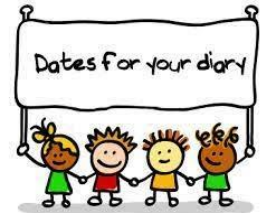
The webinar is running three times over the next few weeks, and tickets are available here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/o/police-south-east-cyber-77121396093>

Reserve your space today!

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – Autumn Term 2024

Date	Time	Event
Friday 20 th December		Last Day of School
First day back after Christmas is Monday 6 th January 2025		

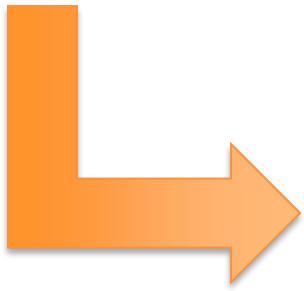


SPRING TERM CLUBS



Day + Start Date	Activ8 Club	Dance4Dayz clubs-in the Dance Studio
Mondays starting 13th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 3 & 4 football, 3:00pm-4:00pm (field) 	
Tuesdays starting 7th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Musical Theatre, 8:00am - 8:45am (Dance studio) KS1 Football, 3:00pm - 4:00pm (field) 	
Wednesdays starting 8th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> KS2 Girls football, 3:00pm - 4:00pm (field) KS1 Dodgeball, 3:00pm - 4:00pm (hall) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Performers Show Class for ages 4-12, 16:45-17:45 Senior show class for Chicago Musical, ages 12-18, 18:30-20:30
Thursdays starting 9th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time to dance competition class, 8:00am - 8:45am (dance studio) Street dance club, 3:00pm - 4:00pm (dance studio) 	
Fridays starting 10th January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Basketball all years, 8:00am - 8:45am (outside) Gymnastics, 3:00pm - 4:00pm (hall) 	Commercial Dance class 16:45 - 17:45, ages 13-19

**St Margaret's
Church**



Please do come and join us, for our
Nativity and Christmas Day Services

Tuesday 24th @ 14:30 & 16:30
Wednesday 25th @ 10am

On behalf of everyone from St. Margaret's Church
Happy Christmas

St Margaret's

Dates
for your

DIARY

REMAINING INSET Days

May I remind you that the
school is closed for staff
training on

Monday 19th February 2024

Monday 22nd July 2025

Tuesday 23rd July 2025

And the angel said unto them,

FEAR
NOT: FOR
BEHOLD,
I BRING YOU
GOOD TIDINGS
OF GREAT JOY,
WHICH SHALL BE
TO ALL
PEOPLE

We wish all our children and families a happy and safe Christmas. We look forward to seeing all the children in the New Year starting back on Monday 6th January 2025 ready for a new term.

Yours sincerely

Mike Jee