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Dear Children, Parents and Carers,

Remembrance at St Margaret Mary's

Children across the school have been reflecting on the importance of learning from past conflicts, ahead of this weekend's remembrance commemorations. This has taken place through R.E. curriculum learning and class worship. Pupils have reflected upon the sacrifices made by many and the important role we can all play in promoting peace in our world.



World Kindness Day and Anti-Bullying Week

As part of our behaviour curriculum we will, like many schools across the country, be taking part in World Kindness Day [Monday 13th November] and Anti-Bullying Week from Monday. This year's focus is the theme of 'Make a Noise' and communicating.

Children will also reflect on Gospel Teachings, our school virtues, poetry and texts to explore themes of kindness, peace, tolerance, respect of differences and our commitment to living these out in our actions at St Margaret Mary's.



Flu Immunisations

A reminder that the Flu Immunisations will take place next Friday 17th November in school for our Reception to Year 6 children. These will only be administered to those parents who have given their consent.



Height and Weight Screening

A reminder that our Reception and Year 6 children have their Height and Weight screening in school on Monday 13th November.

Breakfast with Santa



Our Friends of St. Margaret Mary's would like to inform you that we are excited to be hosting a Breakfast with Santa Experience. We invite parents/carers to join their child on Saturday 16th December 2023 at 9.00-10.30am. There will be a choice of cereals, pancakes and croissants for the children. Then additionally we will be selling sausage or bacon rolls, croissants and refreshments for the adults accompanying their child.

Children's breakfast with a gift from Santa is at cost of £7.00 per child.

There will also be a chance to meet Santa and receive a gift, with the opportunity for you to take a photo.

As places will be limited we will be allocating them on a first come first serve basis so please look out for our booking form which will be sent out early next week.

Many thanks

Friends of St Margaret Mary's



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After School Clubs

A reminder that we still have a number of places available on our 'After School Club' sessions.

The clubs will run until Thursday 14th December.

The sessions are as follows:

KS1 Clubs

	Club:	Open to:	Places available
Tuesday	LSC	Rec, Y1 & Y2	Book via LSC website
Wednesday	Friendship & Games Club	Y1 & Y2	20

KS2 Clubs

	Club:	Open to:	Places available
Monday	Homework Club	Y3 & Y4	20
		Y5 & Y6	20
Tuesday	LSC	Y3	Book via LSC website
Wednesday	LSC	Y3 - 6	Book via LSC website
Thursday	Times Table Rock Stars	Y3 & Y4	20
Thursday	Gardening Club	Y5 & Y6	16

To book a club you will need to use the School Gateway app. There will be no charge for the school led clubs for this half-term.

Please note that the LSC sessions on Tuesdays and Wednesdays are ran by an independent company and their prices are different to ours. The link to book these sessions is noted in the above table. If you have any questions about the LSC sessions you can contact the team on 0800 032 1806.



Some of our wonderful work ...

The Nursery have been baking gingerbread with Chef Dennis! We hope our gingerbreads don't escape from the oven ...



Reception worked together to create their own versions of the Three Little Pigs' houses ... Until ... after lunchtime we returned to find that our amazing houses had been blown down! We found a trail of grey fur and muddy paw prints headed out the window ...



Year 1T are exploring Baptism and re-enacting the stages of Baptism ...



Year 1/2 have been working hard constructing 2D shapes ...



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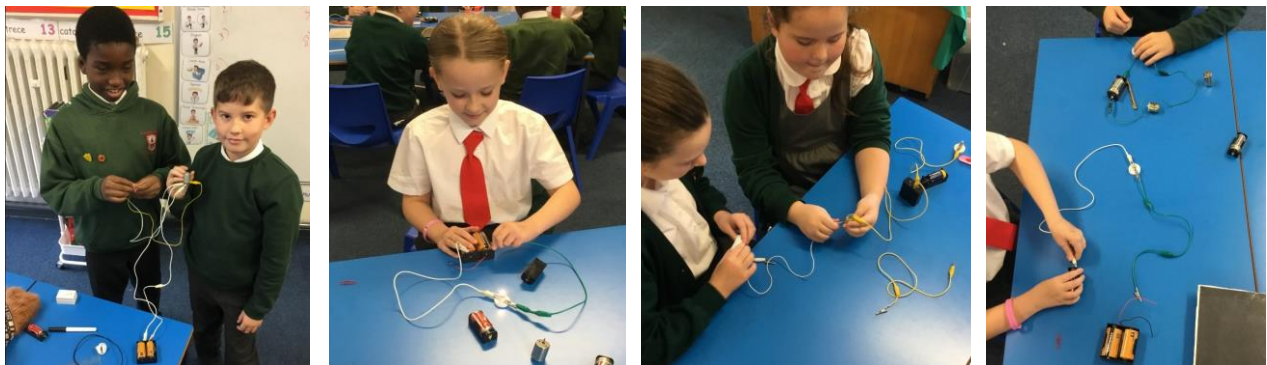
Year 3 enjoyed exploring how to play a song on the xylophone in their music lesson...



Year 3/4 explored how light travels and used different objects to understand how some objects are easier to see than others ...



Year 5 revised electrical components, simple circuits and motors in DT in preparation for designing and making Doodlers in the next few weeks ...



Year 6 enjoyed playing with their Reception buddies ...



Attendance

2M are this week's "Class Attendance Winners" with an excellent **99.6%** attendance closely followed by **3/4D** with **99.4%**!

NurW 94.4%	Nur/RecW 96.4%	RecK 93.6%	1T 96.3%	1/2M 97.1%	2M 99.6%
3S 97.9%	3/4D 99.4%	4C 98.4%	5C 94.5%	5J 98.2%	6G 94.1%
6W 84.3%					

When one class wins the "Class Attendance Winners" twice during a half-term they will receive a special reward.

Who will be next week's "Class Attendance Winners" ... see next week's school newsletter!



STARS OF THE WEEK

Rec: Freya	Y1/2M: Luka	Y3-4D: Sarah	Y5J: Frankie C
Rec: Rex	Y2M: Evan S	Y4C: Zeme	Y6G: Hayden
Y1T: Orla	Y3S: Jacob	Y5C: Isabelle	Y6W: Knox



Watch this space for when our next stars will be announced ...



Year 3 Sheena	Year 4 Curtis Kayden	Year 5 Lovell Jacob	Year 6 Denzel Georgia
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Important Dates



As mentioned before half-term we are in a position to provide 'save the day' dates for our Christmas Performances and activities. I am sure you can appreciate the challenges provided by the new kitchen build and the impact that this has on our hall space. This has resulted in school having to make alternative plans. I am very thankful to Fr Andrew and Deacon Stephen who are able to support this in providing the Parish Centre as a venue. I will write with additional information regarding this but please see below key dates:

Please see additional dates and changes in bold:~

Friday 8th December 2023	School Christmas Jumper Day for a donation
Monday 11th December 2023	KS1 Christmas Performances (10 am & 4:30 pm]
Tuesday 12th December 2023	EYFS Christmas Performance ~ Nursery (10.00 a.m.)
Tuesday 12th December 2023	EYFS Christmas Performance ~ Reception (2.00 p.m.)
Wednesday 13th December 2023	School Christmas Dinner
Saturday 16th December 2023	"Breakfast with Santa" (Organised by the Friends of St Margaret Mary's 9.00 ~ 10.30 a.m.)
Monday 18th December 2023	KS2 Christmas Carols
Wednesday 20th December 2023	School closes at 1.00 p.m. for the Christmas holidays
Monday 8th January 2024	School opens after Christmas holidays

Once again many thanks for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend.

Take care and God Bless!

Mr Sutton



*"The Rosary is the most beautiful and the most rich
in graces of all prayers." - Pope Saint Pius X*