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Newsletter - Monday 12th September

Dear Parent/Carer(s),

Following last week's sudden and sad events we decided to delay sharing our weekly newsletter. Please find below some key information and news that celebrates how well the children have settled back into school following the summer break, alongside key information for the start of this new term.

As I am sure you will no doubt be aware, next Monday 19th September has been declared a National Bank Holiday, for Queen Elizabeth II's State Funeral. As such school will be closed this day and reopen on Tuesday 20th September. As highlighted in last Friday's email, we will continue to respectfully and appropriately celebrate the Queen's life of service in a sensitive, age-appropriate manner. If you, your child or family require any support then please do not hesitate to contact us.

Flu vaccination

The School Health team will be administering the children's annual flu vaccination in school, on October 6th. Please can you ensure that you return the consent forms as soon as possible. If you require a new consent form please call in to the school office.

Spanish Lessons

Following our curriculum review at the end of the last academic year Spanish will now be the language that is taught to our Y3-Y6 children as part of the Modern Foreign Language curriculum. This will be taught through discreet lessons, enrichment sessions and immersed through other teaching.



Meet the Teacher – Tuesday 13th September

After a number of years of being unable to do so due to COVID, we are delighted to inform you that this year we are reintroducing our 'Meet the Teacher' session.

Tomorrow, on Tuesday 13th September you are invited to call in to school to meet your child's teacher and have a chat about any information you need between 3pm – 3.30pm. If this is not convenient please do not hesitate to contact them for a chat.



School Uniform

It has been lovely to see the children looking so smart on their return to school this week. I know that these high standards will remain throughout the school year. Please see the school website for a reminder of our school uniform guidelines if you need to.

PE lessons will formally start again this week, with all parents receiving notification of what days your child's lessons will take place. Please see the class page on the school website for further information or please ask a member of staff who will be able to assist.

A reminder that the school PE kit is a plain white t-shirt, plain black shorts/tracksuit bottoms and a school jumper or school hoody (which can be purchased from Ziggy's). PE uniform must not be branded.

Please may I take this opportunity to also remind you that school shoes must be smart, black shoes. Children must not wear trainers unless it is a PE day.

School Uniform Sale

We have received many generous donations of pre-loved uniform over the Summer. As you may be aware, all schools are asked to ensure that school uniform is as financially accessible as possible. With this in mind, we would like to invite parents into school on the afternoon of **Friday 16th September** from 2:30pm to offer you the opportunity to buy any items of pre-loved uniform that you require. The funds raised will be used to further help any families who may need additional support over this coming Winter.



Class Information

To keep up to date about events and news within your child's class, or for key information such as homework days and PE days, please view the individual class page on our website:

<https://www.st-margaretmarys.manchester.sch.uk/> or our Twitter page @St_MM2021

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If you have a smart phone please download the School Spider App. This is where you can pay for 'Breakfast Club', school milk, school trips, etc.



Good News

We are really happy to share with you the birth of Mrs Heaton's little girl, Alexandra Violet, who was born during the summer holidays at the end of August. We pass on our love and congratulations to Mrs and Mr Heaton and their extending family.

We have also celebrated Miss McCreavy's wedding over the Summer, we wish the new Mrs & Mr McHugh lots of love, luck and happiness in their married life together.

We know that a lot of our children's families have celebrated good news over the Summer, our congratulations and well wishes extend to them also.

After School Club

Our sports provider, LSC, are running after school clubs again this term.

Reception to Y2 takes place on Tuesdays 3.15-4.15.

Y3 – Y6 takes place on Wednesdays 3.15-4.15.

Courses can be booked for a half term or full term.

<https://www.wearelsc.co.uk/book/?venue=380>



Some of our wonderful work this week...

We have enjoyed meeting some of our new nursery children this week.



Reception and Y1 have enjoyed learning about Mary's birthday.



Y1/2 have discussed the school mission statement and shared how they can live it each day.



Y2 have enjoyed using different resources to make two-digit numbers.



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Y3 have been exploring how many tens there are in different 3 digit numbers using a ten frame.



Y3/4 have enjoyed using A.L.E.X. to explore how to program actions using different directions.



Y4 have been exploring how sounds are made by observing the movements of rice and vibrations of sound.



Y5 have been using force meters to measure the size of a force.



Y6 enjoyed their first PE lesson of the new school year. They learnt about different sports and how to eat healthily.



Dates/Events to remember:

Tuesday 13th Sept – ‘Meet the Teacher’ afternoon 3pm
Friday 16th Sept – Preloved Uniform Sale from 2.30pm
Monday 19th Sept – National Bank Holiday for Queen Elizabeth II State Funeral
Tuesday 20th September – Y6 Theatre Visit [TBC due to previous day]
Wednesday 21st September – Y5M Class Assembly 9:05am
Friday 30th September – MacMillan Coffee Afternoon 2pm
Monday 3rd October – Individual School Photos
Thursday 6th October – Flu Vaccinations
Friday 7th October – Mental Health Awareness – Own Clothes Day
Friday 14th October – Mindfulness Workshops
Monday 17th October Feast Day of St Margaret Mary
Friday 21st October – School Closes for half-term

Many thanks for your support.

Take care and have an enjoyable week,

Mr Sutton