



ST MARGARET CLITHEROW CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Learning for life, loving God

Ourselves and others

Valuing all of His creation

Enabling us to do our best

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Reflection



On Monday we discussed the importance of being a witness to God. As we celebrated St Margaret Clitherow today we talked about the importance of Faith and how she showed us to be steadfast. Let us never lose sight of our Faith and always be ready to share it with others.

THIS WEEK

Welcome back to the start of the summer term! I hope you all enjoyed a restful and blessed Easter break. My staff and I were very happy to see the children back at school on Monday, the next two terms promise to be full of lots of fun activities, sporting events and opportunities, so do check the Newsletter and updated website for details.

Our Reception children had a wonderful time at the farm seeing the new born lambs and other animals. On their return to school they had a picnic lunch in their classroom, which was a fun way to end their trip. As always, we are grateful and thankful for the parental support and volunteer helpers that make these trips possible.



Yesterday, four children from Yr6 attended the Mayor Chambers in Kings Hill to take part in a debate with other local primary schools. The topics up for debate were; the amount of sugar in certain foods and drinks and should schools ban birthday sweets. Our pupils really enjoyed the challenge and put their ideas and opinions across beautifully! They will be sharing their findings with the school very soon.



Today saw many children wearing home clothes to help us celebrate St Margaret Clitherow Day! The children were treated with an ice-lolly as part of the celebrations.



Today we said farewell to Miss Charles, who has worked at our school for nearly 23 years! We wish her all the very best in her new role.

GENERAL INFORMATION

On Monday 22nd April, the children will be discussing Earth Day. This year the theme is Planet vs Plastic looking at creating an awareness of the need to reduce plastic use and its contribution to ocean pollution, including the effects this has on ocean life.

What is Earth Day?

Earth Day, celebrated on 22nd April each year, is the annual event dedicated to awareness about the various environmental challenges that face our planet.

More info can be found on <https://www.earthday.org/earth-day-2024/>



May we be aware of our carelessness and our wastefulness. May we commit to the changes that need to be made. Let us pray. Holy God, earth and air and water are your creation, and every living thing belongs to you: have mercy on us as climate change confronts us.

WOODLAND CLUB

The first Woodland club of the term was full of teamwork, enthusiasm and fun. The activity today was for both teams to build an obstacle course that the other team had to complete. Both teams were very adventurous with their ideas. The winning team this week was the Blue Team.

We had a special visit from Miss Charles on her last day. Mrs Lucas' person of the week went to Henry (yr1), he gave it his all building the course but found some unstable parts and changed it so that it wasn't dangerous. Well done Henry.

Miss Wolfe's person of the week went to Alana (yr4) she quietly and calmly helped her team and expressed her ideas when it came to building. Well done Alana.



ADVANCE NOTICE

Early Years will be going on their next seasonal walk on Wednesday 24 April, we are hoping for some brighter warmer weather by then!

Four children from Yr 5/6 will be taking part in a Junior Maths Challenge at Tonbridge School along with other primary schools. This will take place on Thursday 25 April. Wish them luck!

On Friday 26 April we are inviting the children to wear slippers and a superhero cape (over their school uniform) in return for a donation to support Babons Cancer Support. The children have attended an assembly to hear about the great work this charity carries out to support families who are living with cancer. The children will need to bring the slippers in as they are required to wear normal school shoes for play times.

Our Yr2 classes will be spending the day at Long Mead park on Friday 26 April. They will be carrying out various activities which include litter picking, and enjoying a picnic lunch together. Let us pray for good weather!

ATTENDANCE REPORT

Overall attendance to date: 95.5%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

You can also find more details on our school calendar:

<https://www.stmargaretclitherschool.org.uk/diary/grid/2024/02/>

23 April - Football away to Hadlow

23 April - Yr5/6 Girls rugby taster (after school)

25 April - Football home to Woodlands

25 April - Junior Maths Challenge

26 April - Long Mead Park trip (Yr2)

Fiona Oubridge

Headteacher

A quote from St Margaret Clitherow

For I am fully resolved in all things touching my faith, which I ground upon Jesus Christ, and by Him I steadfastly believe to be saved...and by God's assistance I mean to live and die in the same faith.