



St. Margaret's CE Primary School

Weekly Update 12th March 2021



Welcome Back!!!

It has been a delight to welcome back all of our children this week. They have settled in well and have enjoyed seeing their friends again. Thank you once again for the wonderful job that you did in home teaching your children and thank you for your responses to our survey– they have been really helpful to teachers in helping children to settle back in. As teachers return to whole class teaching, please direct any queries you may have to the school office, rather than via DoJo, and they will be passed straight on to the relevant member of staff.

Bingo!

Thank you so much to the Friends of the School for organising a wonderful game of Bingo last week and to Mrs Black for being such a professional Bingo caller! It was lovely to see so many of our families and staff members on screen having fun together. I look forward to the days when we can all get together in the real world!

Thank you!

Staff and patients at University Hospital Durham, would like to thank you for all the toiletries and contributions made for the hospital over the last few months. They have been distributed between the wards at the hospital and across the trust . They would also like to thank the children who did drawings and positive messages , they mean a lot to the staff and have really kept their spirits up .



Parking and Drop Off

We have been delighted to welcome back all of our children to school this week, however the age old problems with parking have begun and this is causing a danger to our children and their families. Please do not park on the paths in Copeland Court. This is causing a hazard, as cars mount the pavement as children are walking past. There is plenty of room to park on Archery Rise if you drive down the hill. This is not a long walk. Please put the safety of our children and their families first, before your own need to dash.

Please do not attempt to queue up until it is time for your child to come into school. We have stagers in place to keep the numbers of people queuing on the pavement to a minimum. The PCSO will be making spot checks to ensure that national guidance in relation to the Covid 19 pandemic are being followed.

Our present arrangements for drop-off were established and checked with the Health and Safety Team at the Local Authority. They were designed to help us get our children into school as quickly as possible, whilst keeping bubbles separate and to minimise the numbers of people queuing at any one time . They do rely on everyone following the procedures sensibly. We are going to monitor and review these arrangements next week and will keep you posted as to any changes we make.

Thank you for your co-operation in this– we know it is not easy and are doing all we can to make drop-off stress free and safe.



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Junior Awards...

Orange Class: Edric H.– for returning to school with great gusto and enthusiasm!

Purple Class: Lois A.– for trying extra hard in maths even when questions were tricky.

Brown Class: Leo H.– for having an excellent first week at St. Margaret's. He has settled in well and is already joining in enthusiastically in lessons.

White Class: Sihong S.– for a great start back to school and for producing a beautifully presented Kennings poem based on lockdown objects of significance.

Mauve Class: Amelia C.– for settling back into school so well, working hard and being an active participant in class.

Grey Class: Henry F.– For his determination and perseverance in maths fraction work.

Silver Class: Ranvir N.– for his resilience on his return to school. He has worked hard at his work and has included all his friends in games.

Gold Class: Ben B. for being a great role model to his peers in everything he does. He works really hard, produces fantastic work and is a great allrounder and team player!



Infant Awards

Red Class: Jacob L.– For super number recognition when playing a bingo game with his friend.

Isabella P.– For her beautiful butterfly painting.

Blue Class: Ella C.– For excellent independent writing about what plants need to grow well.

Sabrina K.– for super reading reading week.

Green Class: Alex H.– For trying really hard improve the presentation of his work.

Oliver W.– for doing an excellent piece of writing about his favourite day in lockdown.

Rainbow Class: Chrissie M.– For excellent reasoning in our RE lesson on Easter Sunday.

Ghazi B.– For his speedy recall of number bonds to 100.

Yellow Class: Eva H.– for settling in so well this week.

Luna L.– for helping a new child in our class settle in so well.

Freya K.– Lexia level 6

Lilac Class: Liam B.– For excellent answers in our RE session.

Oscar T.-A fantastic effort with his handwriting in our independent writing.

Idris K.– For being a Lexia superstar.



Financial Support for Families

Please see the link below to a new web page regarding accessing financial support, specifically for families with children.

<http://www.durham.gov.uk/article/25041/Help-with-your-money>

Best wishes to the following pupils who are celebrating a birthday this week:

Ahmed O	Jimmy R	Evie W
Adam B	Amelie L	Mairi M
Esme C	Matthew S	James L



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Year Group

Messages & Reminders

Reception	
Year 1	Green class will be doing Forest Schools on Thursday 18th March and Rainbow class on Friday 19th March
Year 2	
Year 3	
Year 4	
Year 5	
Year 6	
Whole School	On Friday 19th March, we will be having a Red Nose Day themed school lunch. Please see the menu attached to this weekly update.