



St. Margaret's CE Primary School

Weekly Update 30th September 2022



Day of Modern Languages

On Monday we celebrated a day of modern languages and were delighted to welcome many of our parents into school to share stories, videos, cultural information and craft activities in their home languages. Thirty of our most confident French speakers from Year 6 were invited to participate in a French market activity at Durham High School, where they practised their language skills within a practical context.

Sport News

Both our boy's and girl's football teams were in action this week. In both fixtures, staff were extremely impressed with the children's excellent attitude and team work. The boys fought hard but it wasn't their week, unlike the girls who managed to secure three wins.

Our netball team began their league matches this week. Mrs Burdon was delighted with their enthusiasm and spirit. The team drew one and lost one.

OPAL

We are very excited to be embarking on our OPAL journey to enhance our play provision. AS a beginning it is really important to collect the views of our stakeholders and would really appreciate your views. If you have not yet responded to our survey and would like to do so, we will keep our survey open until 3.30pm on Monday 3rd October.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/9MJRNRB>

Harvest Festival

We will be celebrating Harvest in school, the week beginning 17th October. This year we are going back to collecting food-stuffs for the People's Kitchen. Please find a list of items requested by the People's Kitchen. Please could the children bring in their Harvest contributions from Monday 17th-Thursday 20th October.

House Captains

Congratulations to our new house captains. I know you will all do an excellent job in supporting and representing the children in your houses throughout this year!



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School Milk

At present we have a huge surplus of milk, as despite reminders from staff, children are leaving it, resulting in a lot of waste. If you are paying for your child to have milk in school, please could you check with them that this is something they wish to continue with.

Thank you.

Autumn Term Events

Parent's Evenings: 9th and 10th November (on-line)

Opportunity to look at your child's books-2nd Nov 3.40-4.45pm

Y5 residential- 19th-21st October

Y6 residential-14th-18th November

India Trip- 20th-29th November

Y4 Harvest Worship for parents- 20th October @ 9.10am

Y6 Remembrance Worship for parents- 10th November @ 9.10am

Y2 Christingle for parents-15th December @9.10am

Y1 Nativities- 7th Dec. @9.30am/ 8th Dec @2pm

Reception Nativities-7th Dec. @ 2pm and 8th Dec. @ 9.30am

End of Year Service @ St. Margaret's- 19th Dec. @ 10am

As we move towards winter, please ensure that your child comes into school with a coat. The children spend at least one and a half hours outdoors during breaktime in all weathers and need to be suitably attired. If any family is struggling financially to provide a waterproof coat for their child, please make an appointment to speak to Mrs Tait, as we do have a school hardship fund.

The Friends will be holding a pre-loved uniform sale on Thursday 13th October in the Ecopod from 3.30-4.30pm.

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

Suzie H Will S Matthew R

Ethan C Stina W Leo H

Euan P Millie R



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Year Group

Messages & Reminders



Reception	
Year 1	
Year 2	Year 2 will be taking part in the House Cross Country in school on the afternoon of Thursday 6th October, and will need to come dressed in their PE kit.
Year 3	Year 3 will be doing a Forest Schools session on Wednesday 5th October, and will need to come dressed in their Forest Schools kit. Year 3 will be taking part in the House Cross Country in school on the afternoon of Thursday 6th October, and will need to come dressed in their PE kit.
Year 4	Year 4 will be taking part in the House Cross Country in school on the afternoon of Thursday 6th October, and will need to come dressed in their PE kit.
Year 5	Year 5 will be taking part in the House Cross Country in school on the afternoon of Thursday 6th October, and will need to come dressed in their PE kit.
Year 6	Year 6 will be taking part in the House Cross Country in school on the afternoon of Thursday 6th October, and will need to come dressed in their PE kit.
Whole School	