

NEWSLETTER



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7th April 2022

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We find ourselves at the end of the Spring term already, how did that happen? On Friday 25th March we celebrated Mother's Day in school with a real life audience! It was such a good feeling to invite parents back into school and I know the children enjoyed seeing you all.

This week some children from years 3 and 4 walked to Windsor to participate in a netball skills festival. They had a great time and polished their throwing and catching.



Last week Year 4 visited RAF Cosford as part of their History studies. Children and visitors thoroughly enjoyed the experience and the children's behaviour was also commented on positively. Well done year 4 and thank you for being the well-mannered children we know you are.



I am very proud of our children at St Margaret's. After hearing about the threat on our beautiful Norway Maple tree they decided to take action. Our children know they are Stewards of God and that protecting God's creation is important so they responded in a respectful way to prevent something unnecessary from happening. A temporary preservation order has been placed on the tree but unfortunately this is being contested by local residents. Letters and petitions have been sent to Dudley Council.

Summer Term

I am very optimistic that when we return on Monday 25th April the sun will be shining. Can I please take this opportunity to remind everyone of the agreed summer school uniform:

- Blue and white checked dress (no play suits please), white socks
- Grey shorts with white polo shirt, grey socks
- Black shoes (not trainers), white sandals can be worn but please no open toes.

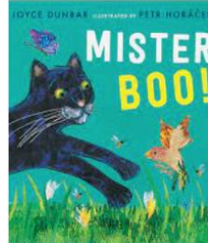
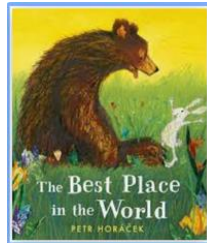
PE uniform

- School blue T shirt (preferably with logo)
- Black shorts or black jogging bottoms
- School blue hoodie (with logo) or school jumper/cardigan
- Suitable school trainers (not fashionable footwear)

If your child is wearing a black hoodie at the moment, they can continue to wear this until the end of this academic year. In the new academic year 2022-2023 only blue school hoodies, school jumper or cardigan can be worn on PE days.

Author visit

We are excited to welcome celebrated children's author, Petr Horacek to St. Margaret's on Friday 29th April 2022. Petr is the author of many children's favourites, such as Run Mouse, Run, Silly Suzy Goose, Mr Boo, Puffin Peter and The Best Place in the World.



It is a wonderful opportunity to have an author visit in school but this is only made possible by staff and pupils purchasing some texts. Books can be ordered via School Money and the Dudley Children's Reading Group and will be ready for collection and be signed by the author on the day. Please let Mrs Jones what you would like by Thursday 7th April 2022.

We need you!

Calling all parents who work with gadgets- whether you work with food, read the stars, program computers, tune guitars or look after animals -we need you. On Monday 16th May, we are holding an assembly to launch the 'Summer Reading Scheme- which, this year, is linked to the Science Museum Group. We would like parents who could talk about their science or tech-based careers and the books they like to read to the children at our school. If you think you would like to participate, please contact the office with your details for Mrs Jones as soon as possible, who will have more details.



School lunches

Can I please ask you to ensure all school lunches are booked the night before. The school office is spending a lot of their time phoning up parents who haven't booked their child's lunch. This is an unnecessary waste of the office staff time.



On Friday 29th April, we are inviting all children in EYFS and KSI to come to school early for a story. We will also share with you some of our favourite picture books for you to peruse with the children. Please come along and join in with our monthly storytime sessions- we all share the love of a good story.

Diary Dates

Friday 8th April – INSET DAY

Friday 29th April – Author Visit: Nursery – Year 4

Monday 2nd May – School Closed – Bank

Holiday

Thursday 5th May – School Closed – Polling Day

Tuesday 7th June – Science Week

Monday 6th June – INSET DAY

Sports days.

KSI Wednesday 15th June 9.30am (Reserve date, Thursday 23rd June 9.30am)

KS2 Wednesday 15th June 1.15pm (Reserve date, Thursday 23rd June 1.15pm)

EYFS Thursday 16th June 9.30am (Reserve date, Wednesday 22nd June 9.30am)

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Easter, and we look forward to welcoming your children back to school on 25th April.

Kind Regards

Mrs Shepherd
Headteacher