

Spring Term – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025



# School Newsletter

## Welcome from the Headteacher

This week has been Children's Mental Health week. The theme for children's mental health week this year was exploring the importance of self-awareness and expressing emotions. The children have engaged in both assemblies and work in class.

Congratulations to the girl's football team who came second in their league at Man Utd Premier League Primary Stars Tournament.

Just a reminder that we finish for the half term break on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February and return to school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February.

## Value of the half term

The value of the half term is **Resilience**.

We thought about we have shown resilience this half term.



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# Weekly News



The House with the top points this week is.....  
**ATTENBOROUGH**

## Weekly House point winners!

**Nursery:** Myan E

**Reception:** Ayla Noor

**Year 1:** Cecelia T

**Year 2:** Joann A

**Year 3:** Ayesha U

**Year 4:** Haris U

**Year 5:** Mohamed A

**Year 6:** Ibrahim A

We have had a visit from the chicks this week in Reception! The children have loved helping to look after them and learned all about how we can care for animals.



For our DT project, Year 4 made volcanoes! We tested them to see if the channels stopped the eruption from affecting a nearby town.

5KS enjoyed their trip to Norton Priory learning about Anglo-Saxons, Vikings and Space! Each student got to make an Anglo-Saxon pot to take home!



In Year 3 we have been designing our own Ancient Egyptian sarcophaguses on papyrus paper.



Year 5 had an amazing time at Norton Priory - a special thanks to Harriett for arranging the Anglo-Saxon artefacts for us!



Our Ethos Team children visited Chorlton Place Care Home to play board games with the residents. We enjoyed singing our favourite songs on the karaoke machine. We made lots of new friends across generations and felt very appreciated



This week, 2SP welcomed Lydia to help them complete their sculpture projects based on the works of Henry Moore. We are looking forward to showcasing our work at an exhibition based on our school value of compassion.



This week, the children in Miss Dase's group worked on enhancing their fine motor skills, by building a person using straws and paper.



Last week's winners were:  
**4LG- Marta and Attenborough**  
**4RB – Marta**  
**4NA – Marta and Pankhurst**

**FirstNews**

**Quiz Winners!**

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# Weekly Attendance



**4NA**

4NA	99.6
5KS	98.5
R-MF	98.3
3AN	98.2
1CM	98
2ZA	97.8
5FI	97



**5KS**

2SP	96.9
2HF	96.4
4RB	95.6
5IM	95.6
6KS	95.5
3SB	95.2
1NC	95



**R-MF**

6RC	95
3RC	93.3
R-BS	92.4
1ST	92.1
4LG	90.4
R-EH	90.2
6RH	89



**'Creative Care: Art for Kids with Additional Needs.'** – an Inclusive Art Session that Celebrates Diverse Ways of Thinking & Learning! Alternate Saturdays at Z Arts, 335 Stretford Rd, Hulme. Children aged 8 to 16 will explore various art techniques, from painting and drawing to collage and mixed media. For booking information visit the [Z Arts website](#)



The **school meal menu** will change for the Spring / Summer terms. [Click here](#) to view the menu on our website, and remember to book your child's meal in advance on the School Gateway app.



**Manchester Local Offer Drop In**  
Wednesday 12th February 2025,  
10am-12pm  
Moss Side Powerhouse, 140 Raby St.  
For parents/carers and children and young people 0-25 years with SEND in the Manchester City Council area



Ahead of **Internet Safety Day on Tuesday 11th** of February, our Computing Lead Mr Goulden led a very informative coffee morning about internet safety, with links to websites, apps and advice on keeping children safe online.

## Friendly Reminders

- Nursery places available starting in April and September 2025, open to children aged 3 or turning 3 this year. Contact the office to request an application form.



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# Dates for your diary

Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February	4RB Central Library trip
Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	3RC trip to Manchester Museum
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Y6 St Margaret's Church visit
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February	EYFS Tour for prospective parents 10am School closes for half term
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	<b>Half Term – School Closed</b>
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February	School opens after half term
Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February	Year 5 trip – Kedampa Buddhist Meditation Centre
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> February	1ST Central Library trip
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February	1NC Central Library trip
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	1CM Central Library trip EYFS Tour for prospective parents
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 6 SATS meeting – 9am
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	World Book Day
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	Y4 Trip to Chester
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 2 Southport Trip

## Coffee Mornings - Every Wednesday from 8.45am in the school hall

- 12<sup>th</sup> February - Tenants' Rights, GM Law Centre
- 26<sup>th</sup> February - Parents helping parents (PHC)
- 5<sup>th</sup> March – Year 6 SATS meeting



Join our St Margaret's Staff and parent led

## Valentine's Day Walking Buses

to show that we love our planet

Meeting points and meeting time:

- Manley Park (Clarendon Road entrance) 8:20am
- Alexandra Park (Demesne Road entrance) 8:25am
- St Bede's Sports Ground on Withington Road 8:25am
- Tesco Express on Withington Road 8:25am



**School tours of Nursery and Reception** are available. Please share with friends and family who are interested in a place for their child at St Margaret's.

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## St Margaret's C of E Primary School

# EARLY YEARS TOURS

Our Early Years provision has been judged 'Outstanding' - Ofsted 2023

**2025 Tour dates:**

- Friday 14th Feb 10:00am
- Monday 3rd March 1:30pm
- Friday 21st March 10:00am

Visit our wonderful Early Years provision and see what makes us outstanding - book a tour today!

'In both the Nursery and Reception classes, both indoor and outdoor learning environments are very well designed. These allow teachers to organise an impressive range of activities, excite and enthuse the children, and strongly promote learning' (Ofsted, 2023)

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