

Spring Term – Friday 14th February 2025



School Newsletter

Welcome from the Headteacher

It has been another successful and very busy half term.

Congratulations to the year 5 and 6 boys football team who won the FIVES football tournament last week. They will be presented with a trophy and medals next half term. A special mention to Adam A in year 5 who was named player of the tournament.

We have a number of community events taking place next half term and hope to see lots of families attending.

I hope you all have a restful break, I look forward to seeing all the children back in school on Monday 24th February.

Value of the half term

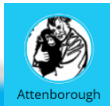
The value of the half term is **Resilience**.

Our value for next half term will be **Creativity**.



twitter.com/stmargaretsWR

Weekly News



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

Weekly House point winners!

Nursery: Myan

Reception: Ayla Noor

Year 1: Gazel

Year 2: Faris

Year 3: Mohammed Hussain

Year 4: Hetty

Year 5: Samya

Year 6: Haniah

Year 3 have been learning the dance steps to *Singing in the Rain* by Gene Kelly. They've had a fantastic time performing the routine with props for their classmates!



Caitlin Lockwood, the Park Ranger of Alexandra Park worked with the Ethos Team children on a project for International Women's Month. Please visit Bembe Café in March to see what we have been learning about.



In Philosophy for Children Year 3 students have explored how school items fall on a continuum of importance. They have been using skills of unity and team work.



As part of our 'compassion' project, our Year 5 children attended the Friday prayers at the British Muslim Heritage Centre where they learnt about all the different ways Muslims do 'Sadakah'- charity, helping others from what you have been blessed with and how it enriches our lives.



Our Year 5 children are learning how giving up your time and knowledge to help others is a part of our school value 'compassion' by volunteering in Reception to help younger children with their learning.



Year 5 and Year 6 Girl's Football Club have been focussing on their skills, increasing in confidence and improving every week under Ms Conway's guidance.

5IM have had a fantastic time playing basketball games against each other! They worked brilliantly as a team, passing and shooting with great enthusiasm. It was wonderful to see their teamwork and sportsmanship in action.



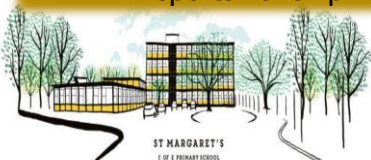
FirstNews Quiz Winners!

Last week's winners were:

3RC: Edhi, Al Zahrawi, Pankhurst, Attenborough

3AN: Edhi

3SB: Edhi/Marta



twitter.com/stmargaretsWR



Weekly Attendance

Congratulations to our 96% attendance challenge champions!

Zayd M, Yousra C, Richard M, Zoha I, Fatiha P, Abu Bakr, Hasher G, Hetty, Ismaeel A, Teanna-Lily, Iqra I, Yahya



4RB



3RC



3AN

4RB	98.8
3RC	98.2
3AN	96.4
5IM	96.3
4NA	96.1
3SB	94.8
5KS	94.8

6RH	94.3
R-EH	94
5FI	93.9
2ZA	93.7
R-MF	93.6
6RC	93.3
6KS	93.1

2HF	92.5
2SP	92.4
R-BS	91
4LG	89.6
1CM	89.2
1NC	88.2
1ST	84.5



'Shelfie competition'

Over half term we would like children to take a selfie with a shelf of books – this could be at home, a bookshop or a library. A prize will be given for the best entrants from each year group.



Our parents have enjoyed cooking healthy recipes with Shaeda from 'Flavours from Manchester' and we have learnt so much by sharing our ideas and recipes. We celebrated our last session with foods from different cultures.

Our families and staff walked to school together in our Valentine's Day walking buses because we love our environment and our community. Thank you Ward Officer Allan Mandindi for joining us.



[CLICK HERE](#) for the latest news and updates for parents/carers, children and young people 0-25 years with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) in the Manchester City Council area.



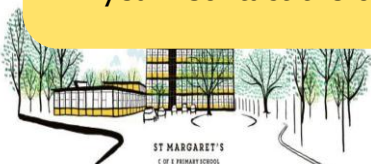
'New book cover' project

Over half term children can design a new book cover for their favourite book or a story they have invented. The covers should be brought into school and will be displayed in classrooms for everyone to enjoy.

Friendly Reminders

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

twitter.com/stmargaretsWR



Dates for your diary

Monday 17 th to Friday 21 st February	Half Term – School Closed
Monday 24 th February	School opens after half term
Tuesday 25 th February	Year 5 trip – Kedampa Buddhist Meditation Centre
Thursday 27 th February	1ST Central Library trip
Friday 28 th February	1NC Central Library trip
Monday 3 rd March	1CM Central Library trip EYFS Tour for prospective parents
Monday 3 rd to Friday 7 th March	Scholastic Book fair
Wednesday 5 th March	Year 6 SATS meeting – 9am
Thursday 6 th March	World Book Day – Dress up as your favourite character!
Monday 10 th March	Community Iftaar 5pm-7pm – Tickets available from the office
Monday 17 th March	Y4 Trip to Chester
Wednesday 19 th March	Year 2 Southport Trip
Friday 21 st March	EYFS Tour for prospective parents – 10am
Monday 24 th March	3RC Central Library trip
Monday 31 st March	3AN Central Library trip
Tuesday 1 st April	3SB Central Library trip
Friday 4 th April	Compassion after school event

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

- 26th February - Parents helping parents (PHC)
- 5th March – Year 6 SATS meeting
- 12th March - Glaucoma Awareness
- 19th March - Phonics Screening Check – Y1 only
- 26th March - Online safety – Filters
- 4th April - Handwriting



twitter.com/stmargaretsWR

The Incredible Years
A guide to understanding and managing the behaviour of young children (2-4 year olds)

INCREDIBLE YEARS PARENT PROGRAMME
(WHALLEY RANGE CHILDREN'S CENTRE)

COMING SOON

STARTS: Friday the 21st of March to the 11th of July
10:00am-12:00pm
14 weeks (term time only)

For more information, please contact:

Justine Alegado
justine.alegado@family-action.org.uk
07584049469

Misbah Ifitikhar
misbah.ifitikhar@family-action.org.uk
07584048284