

ST MARGARET'S

Mailing



Circus

Our wonderful PTA have organised an exciting circus visit to St Margaret's this summer! Priority tickets for St Margaret's families are on sale now via ParentPay, so don't miss out on this fantastic event. Make sure you secure your tickets soon to avoid disappointment!



Dear St M's families,

There has been so much incredible learning taking place across the school over the past two weeks. The children have been fully immersed in hands-on learning experiences, and our Senior Leadership Team have greatly enjoyed visiting classrooms to see their enthusiasm, progress and pride in their work.

We have also been delighted by our OPAL play refresh. Seeing the children so engaged in creative, inclusive play during lunchtime has been a real joy, and the positive impact on social interaction and enjoyment is clear. Watching children explore, collaborate and make the most of these opportunities across year groups has been a pleasure to share in as a school community.

It continues to be wonderful to see our children thriving, learning and enjoying their time at school.

Best wishes, Rachel & the St M's Team



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PERFORM DRAMA WORKSHOPS



Our Key Stage One children thoroughly enjoyed a drama workshop led by Perform last week. Through acting out the story and characters of Peter Pan, the children explored different roles, emotions and motivations. They also reflected on the qualities of the characters and discussed how these link to and demonstrate our school values. It was a joyful, creative experience that supported both learning and personal development.

EYFS TRANSPORT SURVEY

Hedgehogs class have been out in the village as conveyance officers. This is part of their transport topic this term. They have also been learning about tally charts as a means of recording. The most common mode of transport seen were cars, although they also saw bikes, buses, vans, and even some motorbikes! Thank you so much to all our helpers!



YEAR 4 SWIMMING

Year 4 have been enjoying their first swimming sessions of the summer term, practising a range of strokes while building confidence in the water. The children are already excited to see their progress each week as they develop and master new techniques. Swimming is a vital life skill, particularly for children growing up near the beach, and it has been wonderful to see everyone engaging so positively.



MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH



This month we are recognising Mental Health Awareness Month, a valuable opportunity to remind our whole school community of the importance of positive mental health and wellbeing for children and adults alike.

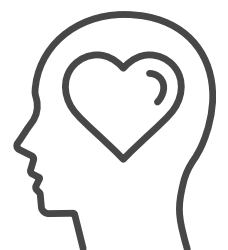
Throughout the month, children will be taking part in age-appropriate activities and discussions that help them understand emotions, build resilience and develop healthy ways to manage feelings. We place great importance on creating a nurturing, supportive environment where everyone feels safe, valued and able to talk about how they are feeling.

We know that strong mental wellbeing helps children to learn, build friendships and grow in confidence. As a school, we continue to promote kindness, inclusion and open conversations, and we are always here to offer support when it is needed.

Families play a vital role in supporting children's wellbeing, and we encourage you to talk with your child about their day, their feelings and any worries they may have. Small conversations can make a big difference.

If you would like support or advice around your child's wellbeing, please do not hesitate to get in touch with the school.

Together, we can continue to look after both the minds and hearts of our school community.



DIARY DATES FOR THIS TERM AND THE SUMMER TERM

Year 4 Swimming

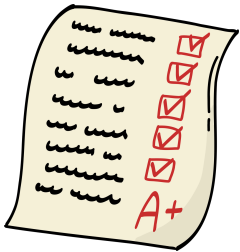


This will start on Thursday 23rd April and run for 10 weeks every Thursday. Please ensure children come into school with swimming kit, including swimming cap, costume, towel and goggles if needed.



Year 5 Bike Ability

will take place from Wednesday 6th May - children need to bring their bikes into school to participate as well as a helmet. All bikes need to be road worthy.



Year 6 SATS Week

Starts on 11th May and runs until 14th May. Children are welcome to come into school early at 8.15am for a free breakfast and a soft start to help them feel more comfortable.



Sports Day

Afternoon of Thursday 25th June. Come along and cheer!

Celebrating us!

Our learning skills winners are:

Hedgehogs - Sophie

Foxes - Jessie

Squirrels - Dexter

Badgers - Thea

Otters - Violet

Woodpeckers - Jasper

Owls - Victoria



GOLDEN DUSTPAN: Woodpeckers
HOUSEPOINT WINNERS: DIAMOND



SUMMER TERM 2026 DATES

Apr		May		Jun		Jul					
1	We	EASTER BREAK	1	Fr	Mental Health Awareness month	1	Mo	Y4 MTC Window	1	We	
2	Th		2	Sa		2	Tu		2	Th	Play & Stay EYFS
3	Fr		3	Su		3	We		3	Fr	Curriculum Showcase
4	Sa		4	Mo	BANK HOLIDAY	4	Th		4	Sa	
5	Su		5	Tu	Y5 bikeability Y4 Ukulele starts	5	Fr	World Environment Day	5	Su	
6	Mo		6	We	Y5 Bikeability	6	Sa		6	Mo	Perform Workshops Y1, Y3, Y5
7	Tu		7	Th		7	Su		7	Tu	Y6 leavers service – Hove 1:30
8	We		8	Fr	VE Day	8	Mo	Phonics Screening Week Class photos	8	We	New EYFS Forest School
9	Th		9	Sa		9	Tu		9	Th	Y4 swimming ends
10	Fr		10	Su		10	We		10	Fr	Reports Issued to Parents
11	Sa		11	Mo	SATS WEEK	11	Th		11	Sa	
12	Su		12	Tu		12	Fr	Y2 Pavilion Trip	12	Su	
13	Mo	INSET – school closed for pupils	13	We		13	Sa		13	Mo	Pupil leadership meets
14	Tu		14	Th		14	Su		14	Tu	6pm Y6 leavers show
15	We		15	Fr		15	Mo		15	We	YR to Middle Farm
16	Th		16	Sa		16	Tu	Y6 Surf Life Saving	16	Th	
17	Fr		17	Su		17	We	Withdean Athletics	17	Fr	
18	Sa		18	Mo		18	Th	9.30am CNCS assembly New to EYFS Meeting	18	Sa	
19	Su		19	Tu	Tri Golf (pm) SEND Coffee 2pm	19	Fr		19	Su	
20	Mo		20	We	Y6 Safety In Action (am)	20	Sa	PTA Summer Circus	20	Mo	
21	Tu		21	Th		21	Su		21	Tu	9am Y6 Leavers Assembly
22	We	Perform EYFS/Y1/Y2 (am)	22	Fr		22	Mo		22	We	INSET – school closed for pupils
23	Th	Y4 Swimming starts	23	Sa		23	Tu		23	Th	
24	Fr		24	Su		24	We		24	Fr	
25	Sa		25	Mo	HALF TERM	25	Th	Pm sports day – no swim	25	Sa	
26	Su		26	Tu		26	Fr	INSET – school closed for pupils	26	Su	
27	Mo		27	We		27	Sa		27	Mo	
28	Tu		28	Th		28	Su		28	Tu	
29	We		29	Fr		29	Mo	Assessment Week	29	We	
30	Th	9.30am CNCS assembly	30	Sa		30	Tu		30	Th	
			31	Su					31	Fr	



Brighton and Hove Parent Carers' Council (PaCC)



'a voice for parent carers living in Brighton & Hove'



<https://paccbrighton.org.uk/>





Resources and services available in Brighton & Hove for families of neurodivergent children

1. Information and support

<p>Amaze</p>	 	<p>Amaze is a charity that gives information, advice and support to families with children and young people 0 to 25 with special educational needs and disabilities in Brighton & Hove and East Sussex. Contact SENDIASS sendiass@amazesussex.org.uk or 01273 772289</p> <p>https://amazesussex.org.uk/</p> <p>info@amazesussex.org.uk 01273 234020</p>
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<p>Brighton & Hove Local Offer</p>	 	<p>TheLocalOffer is support for children who have special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), and their families.</p> <p>https://www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/special-educational-needs-and-disabilities</p>
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2. Parentcarers support groups and befriending

<p>Amaze</p>	 	<p>Amaze runs regular, support groups in Brighton & Hove for parents of children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities. Some groups are in person, some are WhatsApp groups. Amaze also offer one-to-one befriending for those parents who need more individual support.</p> <p>https://amazesussex.org.uk/parent-groups-and-befriending/brighton-hove/ info@amazesussex.org.uk</p>
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<p>Brighton Pebbles</p>	 	<p>Brighton Pebbles provide support and groups for SEND families who live in Brighton & Hove, especially for families who find difficult to access mainstream activities because of their child's special needs.</p> <p>http://www.brightonpebbles.org.uk/ brightonpebbles1@gmail.com 07506 105265</p>
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<p>mASCot</p>	 	<p>mASCot is a parent led peer to peer support network for families with autistic children. mASCot brings families together and enables them to connect with others in similar situations as themselves.</p> <p>https://www.asc-mascot.com/ info@asc-mascot.com 07943346055</p>
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<p>T21 Brighton</p>	 	<p>T21 Brighton & Hove offers friendship & support for children & young people with Trisomy 21/Down Syndrome and their families. They run monthly preschool meet ups, info sessions, social & sporting activities.</p> <p>T21Brighton@gmail.com 07930 418298</p>
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<p>The Dads Group</p>	<p>The Dads Group brings fathers of children with additional needs and disabilities together, to meet and talk about issues that surround their family's lives.</p> <p>https://amazesussex.org.uk/parent-groups-and-befriending/ dads@amazesussex.org.uk</p>
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ROLL UP! ROLL UP!

COMING TO
ST. MARGARET'S SCHOOL

★ SATURDAY 20TH JUNE ★

A central graphic featuring a white and red striped circus tent with a red flag on top. A blue banner with yellow text reads "CIRCUS" and a red banner with white text reads "PAZAZ". The background is a vibrant orange and yellow sunburst pattern with confetti and streamers. Various circus-themed items are scattered around: a pink cotton candy on a stick, three hot dogs in buns with mustard, and a blue balloon dog. A rainbow-colored hula hoop is also visible.

CIRCUS
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PRIORITY TICKET SALES

FOR ST. MARGARET'S FAMILIES
★ FRIDAY 8TH MAY ★





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22ND JUNE 9AM - 3.30PM



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