



St Margaret's

Church of England Primary School

Spring Term 2 Week 3

Dear all,

I would like to start by saying how lovely it is to see everyone back in school at last. Standing at the school gate each morning, I felt so proud seeing the children lining up looking excited to be back with their peers. Although I am aware that children and teachers have worked extremely hard on online learning, you just cannot beat the buzz and interaction of the classroom. Welcome back everyone!

As we are aware that many children have found lockdown, and in particular, learning from home challenging (as well as quite isolating), we have decided to focus on wellbeing in the first days back. Children will focus on developing a positive mindset, supporting their peers and making successful contributions to their world. There have been and will continue to be lots of discussion and creativity, with a focus on art as well as writing. I am sure that children will really welcome the opportunity to engage with their classmates and settle into the routines of school life.

Mark 9:23

'If you can?'" said Jesus. "Everything is possible for one who believes.'

Have a blessed week,

Miss Sophie Newman
Head of School

Well done to Kaamilah in Year 3, for receiving 5 post cards and given the opportunity to choose a book of her choice.



Achievement Cup awards

EYFS Presentation cup

Isha - Reception



EYFS Progress cup

Kaysian - Reception



Stars of the week

Well done to the following children, both Online Learning and in school who have been nominated as the stars of the week ending: **12/03/2021.**

RK - Aarohi and Siraj

RR - Kaia and Dami

Y1 BLUE - Kendrick and Araoluwa

Y1 PURPLE - Zoe-Rachel and Ishaan

Y2 BLUE - Bertha and Deborah

Y2 PURPLE - D'Jess and David A

Y3 BLUE - Emelin and Eli

Y3 PURPLE - Tanisha and Vishahan

Y4 BLUE - Sarai and Rick

Y4 PURPLE - Jamila and Kismat

Y5 BLUE - Leah and Royne

Y5 PURPLE - Ellie-Mai and Samuel

Y6 BLUE - Yosola and Zara

Y6 PURPLE - Esther and Shamaail

KS1 Presentation cup

Amelia - Year 2



KS1 Progress cup

Samuel - Year 1



KS2 Presentation cup

Lilli-Mai - Year 5



KS2 Progress cup

Darasimi - Year 3





Coronavirus Testing

New Coronavirus testing Centre in

Barking and Dagenham: <https://www.lbdd.gov.uk/covid-19-testing-sites>.

There is a new walk in Centre in **Mayesbrook Park, Lodge Avenue (Barking Football Club car park)**. If anyone has symptoms, they should book an appointment for a test by calling 119 or visiting: www.nhs.uk/coronavirus.

They also do walk ins for testing, but there is no guarantee anyone will be seen if they are busy on that day.

A new Coronavirus testing Centre is set to open at: **Chadwell Heath Community Centre, High Road, Chadwell Heath RM6 6AS**. This test Centre will open on: **Tuesday 15th September 2020**.

- This is the second test centre for the borough's residents, following the first test site which opened earlier this month at Mayesbrook Park car park. To date, the first site has been testing 300-400 people a day. The test sites will make it easier for residents with symptoms of Covid-19 to get tested for coronavirus, nearer to their home.
- The Chadwell Heath test centre will open to residents between 2 to 5pm (Tuesday 15th September), between 10am to 5pm (Wednesday 16th September), and then from Thursday 17th September onwards it will be open from 8am to 8pm every day, seven days a week.
- Residents who have symptoms should book a test appointment by calling 119 or visiting www.nhs.uk/coronavirus.
- Residents can also walk in for a test without an appointment, but there is no guarantee they'll be seen if the site is busy that day, so booking is best. Residents who walk in without an appointment will also need to bring a smart phone with them so they can register when they arrive.

Testing centre:

From today there are 2 test sites in the borough to make it easier for residents to get a test

- Lab capacity is still an issue nationally which means the number of tests being taken each day is currently limited – we've been told this should be temporary
- This means you should only be going if you have symptoms so you are not taking a test slot for someone who could genuinely be ill
- If you have at least one of the symptoms you are best to book. You can walk in but this has been extremely busy with slots gone by early morning so booking is best – if you can't get a slot straight away, keep trying at different times as slots get released in the morning and evening.

Determined Admission Arrangements for entry in the academic year 2020-2021

Important Admission notice

Please note that we have made a variation to our admission arrangements due to the unprecedented times. We have included the follow variation to our arrangement policy:

In the event that during the period specified for attendance at worship the church [or, in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship] has been closed for public worship and has not provided alternative premises for that worship, the requirements of these [admissions] arrangements in relation to attendance will only apply to the period when the church [or in relation to those of other faiths, relevant place of worship] or alternative premises have been available for public worship.

This can be found on the LBBD website and St Margaret's website. This applies to in-year applications and new applications.