



ST MARGARET'S

PRIMARY SCHOOL

Autumn 1: Week 6

*Proverbs 22:6 'Train up a child in the way he should go:
and when he is old, he will not depart from it.'*

Dear parents and carers,

As we come to a close on the first half term of the year, I would like to firstly thank you all for your ongoing support and dedication to your child's education. This week we have seen a number of fantastic trips for Year 5 (London Eye and a river cruise along the Thames) and Years 3 and 4 (day trip to Legoland). All groups had a wonderful time exploring and learning whilst making memories and having fun!

Looking towards next term, our first afternoon back will see the children creating a range of items for you to buy - please see further into our newsletter for details.

Today I was especially pleased to hear that every single family has booked a Parent Consultation meeting with their teachers - either on the event or before. A record of 100% booking has not happened before and shows, again, the dedication that we as a community now have towards the children's education at St Margaret's.

As the notice states below this message, please ensure that your children do not wear smart watches to school. From Monday 30th October, these will no longer be permitted due to potential breakages, missing watches and access to the internet/phone. On another note, individual and sibling photos are being held on Wednesday 1st November so please add this date to your diaries!

Many thanks - have a wonderful half term

Mr Hollinsley - Interim Headteacher



**NO SMART WATCHES
ARE TO BE WORN BY
CHILDREN IN SCHOOL.**



love... joy... patience... kindness... self-control

Poppies for sale! + Other items!



Poppies will be on sale for a small donation, other items will be on sale for £1.

You can buy these items from the school office before school and after school only, from the school office.

Harvest Festival

Thank you for all your generous and kind donations!



For Sale!

If you would like to purchase any of the items the children will be making / designing in school, please make payment on Parent Pay.

Reception, Y1 & Y2



£5.99

**commemorative
tea towel**

Year 3



£5.99

**Autumn
Wreaths**

Year 5 & 6



£4.99

**Personalised
Coasters**

Year 4



£5.99

**Planter Pots -
with plant**

STARS OF THE WEEK!

Reception

Week ending:

20th October 2023



Year 1



Year 2



Year 3



Year 4



Year 5



Year 6



love... joy... patience... kindness... self-control

PRESENTATION AWARDS

Year 1

Raji

Year 2

Nikilesh

Year 3

Teleola

Year 4

Aydin

Year 5

Bertha

Year 6

Ramsaran

PROGRESS CUP AWARDS

KS1

Jonathan - Y2

KS2

Jordan - Y6

Whole school attendance:

Our whole school attendance this week is

94.17%

Remember - Gates open at 8:30am. Please ensure your child comes into school by 8:45am.

Attendance of the week:

Well done to

Year

32H

For winning 'Attendance of the Week' with the best attendance of:

99.14%

Nurse drop in

The next nurse drop in is:

30th November 2023

9am - 10am.

If you are unable to attend the drop in session and wish to speak with a member of the team, please call:

03003001813

Prospective Parents

There will be a few prospective admission information evening for parents of children going in to Reception in 2024 on the following dates:

~~Thursday 5th October 2023 @ 10am~~

Tuesday 14th November 2023 @ 5pm

Saturday 18th November 2023 @ 1pm

Thursday 7th December 2023 @ 10 am

Thursday 11th January 2024 @ 5pm

ATTENDANCE

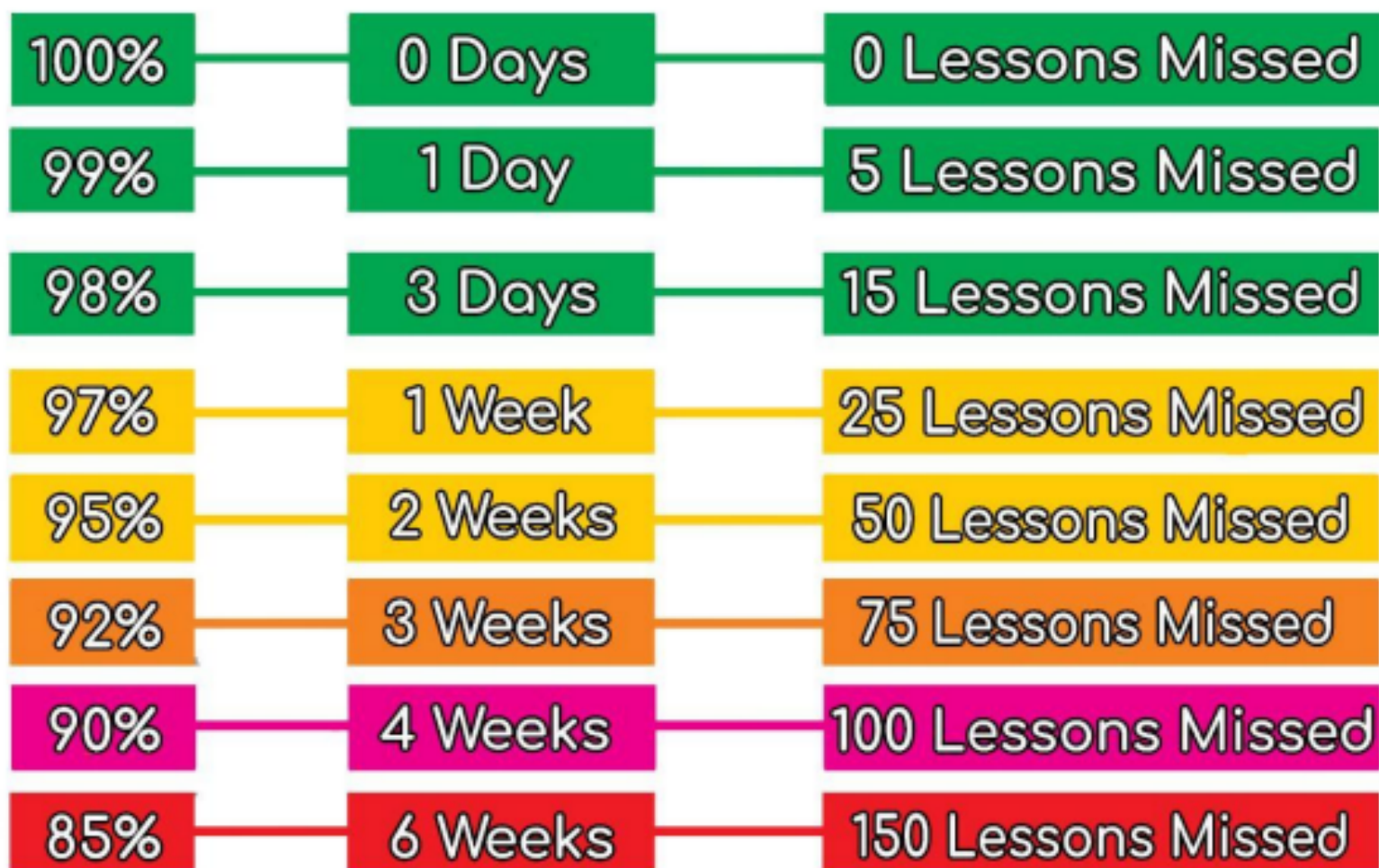
Attending school is important to ensure children are able to make the most of their education and reach their full potential. If you raise a child's attendance, you raise their academic chances. As a parent/carer, you are legally responsible for ensuring that your child receives a suitable education.

What families can do:

- Be firm – send your child to school every day, all day, unless they are sick
- Develop good sleep and morning routines
- Schedule appointments and extra-curricular activities outside of school
- Avoid taking holidays during term time
- Seek help early before your concerns become serious

Going to school more often will make a difference; attendance habits will follow your child into work and life. Each day missed:

- puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up
- can lead to lower achievement in reading, writing and numeracy
- can lead to gaps in learning and connections to friends



love... joy... patience... kindness... self-control

Term Dates

2023 - 2024



Autumn Term 2023

First Half

INSET – Monday 4th September, Tuesday 5th September and Wednesday 6th September 2023

Start – Thursday 7th September 2023

End – Friday 20th October 2023

Half Term: Monday 23rd October 2023 – Friday 27th October 2023

Second Half

Start – Monday 30th October 2023

End – Wednesday 20th December 2023

Holidays: Thursday 21st December 2023 to Friday 5th January 2024

INSET – Monday 8th January 2024

Spring Term 2024

First Half

Start – Tuesday 9th January 2024

End – Friday 9th February 2024

Half Term: Monday 12th February 2024 – Friday 16th February 2024

Second Half

Start – Monday 19th February 2024

End – Thursday 28th March 2024

Holidays: Friday 29th March 2024 to Friday 12th April 2024

Summer Term 2024

First Half

Start – Monday 15th April 2024

End – Friday 24th May 2024

Half Term: Monday 27th May 2024 – Friday 31st May 2024

Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May 2024

Spring bank holiday: Monday 27th May 2024 (during half term)

Second Half

Start – Monday 3rd June 2024

End – Wednesday 24th July 2024