

Margaretting C of E (VC) Primary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

It was great to open the school to the Year 6 children this week and to welcome a small number of children back on Monday. The children came back prepared for a different way of school life and were able to embrace the changes well. The Year 6 pupils enjoyed painting, outdoor art, singing, writing and PE as well as discussing what they had achieved in lockdown. It was great to be able to spend a lot of time outside as the weather was beautiful!

On Thursday a child at Roxwell Primary School did display a symptom of COVID-19 and all of the parents of the children, who have attended since half term have been informed. This includes key worker parents from Margaretting whose children have been at Roxwell. All of the children and staff in that 'bubble' have been sent home in order to self isolate. This is why it is important for us to keep all of our children in separate bubbles once they enter school. The Year 6 bubble has been established as from 1st June. We are sending a separate letter to EYFS and Year 1 children so we can organise their bubbles from 15th June. If you are a key worker and need to speak to the school about childcare for your child, then please contact school by phone or email and speak to Mrs O'Regan or Miss Bryan as soon as possible on or before Tuesday 9th June.

We have started to contact parents again to talk about how you and your children are. We do try to leave voice messages if you are unavailable, but if you did not manage to speak to your child's teacher and you would like to, then please call the office. We also understand that it is a really difficult time for all of our community so please feel free to speak to either Mrs O'Regan or Miss Bryan if you feel like you just need to talk to someone. If you do not want to speak to us, there are lots of helpline numbers to support you too. The Essex Welfare Service is helpful on 03003039988.

As part of the home learning for the children, we are delighted to offer free virtual karate classes run by Simon Kid. The level is more suitable for Key Stage 2 children but anyone is welcome to join in. The classes will take place on Zoom at 11am on Fridays, starting on Friday 12th June. If you would prefer, you can join the class with your camera switched off, as long as your name is displayed and sensei can verify who you are. Please ensure that your child is wearing PE appropriate clothes and has room to move around. To join the class please click on this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83574416430pwd=elBkc1hqanpOOVliQUxHMIiUK3VIUT09>

Alternatively, if you have the Zoom app you can sign in with the following details:

Meeting ID: 835 7441 6430

Password: MargKarate

Children who are in school on Fridays will also complete the classes each week. Please let Miss Bryan know if you do not want your child to attend if they are in school.

Have a great weekend. Miss M Bryan and Mrs M O'Regan.

Term Dates

12th June 11am—Zoom Karate

19th June—Non Pupil Day

22nd July—Last day of Summer term

2020/2021

3rd September—First day of Autumn 1

23rd October—Last day of Autumn 1

2nd November—First day of Autumn 2

18th December—Last day of Autumn 2

6th January 2021—First day of Spring 1

12th February—Last day of Spring 1

22nd February—First day of Spring 2

26th March—Last day of Spring 2

12th April—First day of Summer 1

3rd May—Bank Holiday—School closed

28th May—Last day of Summer 1

7th June—First day of Summer 2

18th June—School Closed for staff training

20th July—Last day of summer 2

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