



Celebrating 25 Years of St Margaret's Academy

22nd November 2019

The school celebrated its official 25th anniversary on Thursday 21st November with birthday cake for 1100 pupils and staff! This was the first event of our 25th anniversary programme and over the next 6 months there will be further opportunities to celebrate with our parents, staff and the wider school community. We are also arranging a photo gallery which may be of interest to any past pupils out there! I will share details of these events with you over the coming weeks.



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St Margaret's Academy Snippets



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What you need to know...

- 1** All S1-3 reports have now been issued. If your child has not received their report then please contact their Head of House.
- 2** The 2nd week of study support for S4-6 pupils starts on Monday 25th November.
- 3** The S3 parents evening was held last Thursday. If you have any feedback then please contact the school office
- 4** The consultation process on the development of a new denominational school in Winchburgh is now live. See back page for details.

25th Anniversary



Key dates...

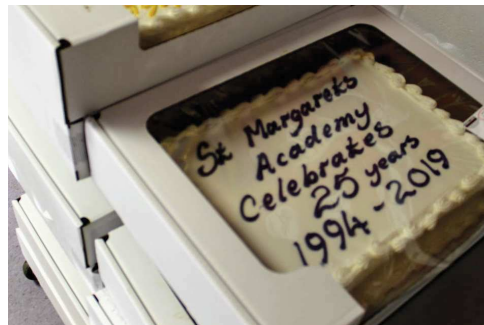
Monday 25th November - CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

Tuesday 26th November
Supporting your child: Mathematics 7-8.30pm

Wednesday 27th November
Remember and Reflect service 7pm

Thursday 28th November
Study Lates 4-8pm
Senior Management Surgery 5-7pm

Friday 29th November
Cuppa in the cafe 9-10am



Refugee Collection

"I felt like I needed to give something back because I see kids who are refugees and who don't have as much as I have and this makes me sad. It felt good being able to help others less fortunate and it felt good giving things I no longer needed to someone to benefit instead of these things going to waste. I thought it was important to help them as much as possible because they need the support and as much help as they can get because they are coming to this country with very little". Maya Ashraf 1SK



Wargames club

The St Margaret's Academy Wargames, Roleplay and Card Games club meets on a Wednesday after school in L42a. This term, the Warhammer players have been working on building their armies for the UK Team Tournament event which is running in Nottingham in July 2020. We are taking two teams to the event to compete with other schools from around the UK.

Brandon Forrester in S2 painted this awesome Space Marine model for this month's Model of the Month. The power sword looks amazing! Honourable mention to new member Filip Jasniewski (S1) for getting a full squad of marines painted in only a couple of days! If you are interested in learning to play some Yugioh, or have a Warhammer 40K collection of your own or want to learn, come see Mr. Stroud or Mr. Miller for more information.



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Study Support Arrangements

Week 2 of the study support programme begins this week before S4 prelims begin on the 2nd of December. The study lates session last Tuesday was really well attended and it was good to see pupils engaging in a range of revision. The 2nd study lates session is on Thursday and food will be provided.

16 Days of Action

Our S3 and S6 pupils took part in the 16 days of action march against Domestic Violence. The pupils have been studying positive relationships in PSE and were able to engage with some of the speakers on the day.



Proposal to Establish a new Denominational Secondary School at Winchburgh and Associated Proposals

West Lothian Council's Education Executive at its meeting on 12 November 2019, authorised West Lothian Council's Education Services to commence statutory consultation on the proposals to:

- Establishment of a new denominational secondary school at Winchburgh
- Review admission arrangements to establish the catchment area for the new school
- Review admission arrangements arising from proposed variations to the non-denominational school catchment areas at St Margaret's Academy and St Kentigern's Academy
- Review transition arrangements from Primary to Secondary school

The consultation document outlining the proposal is available online from 15 November 2019 on the following webpage:
www.westlothian.gov.uk/winchburgh-denominational-secondary-consultation

Hard copies of the consultation document are also available for uplift from the Civic Centre, Howden South Road, Livingston, EH54 6FF or can be requested in writing from:

Melanie Laurie, Project Officer, West Lothian Council Education Services, Civic Centre,
Howden South Road, Livingston, EH54 6FF.

The consultation period is from 15 November 2019 to 5pm on 13 January 2020

Public meeting to discuss the consultation document will be held at:

- Holy Family Primary School, Wednesday 20 November 2019, 6.30pm – 8.00pm
- St Nicholas Primary School, Wednesday 27 November 2019, 6.30pm – 8.00pm
- St Joseph's Primary School Linlithgow, Wednesday 4 December 2019, 6.00pm – 7.30pm

You are also invited to submit your comments on the consultation in writing to Melanie Laurie at the above address or by e-mail to Education.Consultation@westlothian.gov.uk

For written representations to be considered they must be received no later than 5pm on Monday 13 January 2020.

A decision on the proposal is planned to be made in March 2020 by the Council's Education Executive. This decision will be based on feedback received from all stakeholders through written responses and through information gathered from public meetings. Feedback received from Education Scotland will also be offered due regard.



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Pupil Bulletin

19th November 2019



General

S3-6 London Drama and Music Trip

A reminder to all students going on this trip the £75 deposit must be paid by Friday 22nd of November via Ipay.

Children In Need

A huge thank you to all S6 students for their brilliant performance on Friday and to everyone who donated to the collection. The equivalent of £742 was given from St Margaret's Academy.

Refugee Collection

Thank you to everyone who brought things in for our Refugee collection. It will make a big difference to the people who receive it.

Equalities Club

The Equalities Club now meets in the RE department. Miss McKeown's room will be available every break, Mon-Fri as well as Tues, Wed and Thurs lunchtimes.

Mass

Mass will take place in the Oratory on Thursday morning at 8.20am. It lasts about 15 minutes. If your bus arrives after Mass has started you are welcome to come in late.

Water Coolers

The new mains fed water coolers are finally installed in the atrium and PE department. Please ensure you bring an empty water bottle to school. In order to reduce the amount of plastic waste, there will be no more plastic cups available from the school office.

School Canteen

Students are reminded not to take plated food out of the Atrium. Please take a seat while you eat and place all rubbish in the bins provided. Thank you.

Latecoming

Please sign at the School Office, if you arrive late into school. If you are late due to the school bus please indicate this when you sign in. Thank you.

Bus Tickets

Bus tickets should be purchased from the School Office at break and lunch time only. The cost of a 10 journey ticket is £6.96, please try to bring the exact money with you to the School Office.

School Tie Return

If you have borrowed a tie from the School Office could you please ensure that it is returned by the end of the day.

Procedure for Leaving School for Appointments/Sent Home from Sick Room If you have to leave the school premises for any reason e.g. medical appointment, sent home from sick room please remember to sign yourself out on the black folder at the school office window.

Social Times

Pupils are reminded to remain on school grounds during break and lunch time.

Lost Property

Please be reminded that the lost property basket is located outside the Janitors Office. If you have lost any items of clothing etc. please check this basket in the first instance.

Extra-Curricular Timetable

Please see attached sheet for details.

S1 – S3

Manchester United Football Match Trip

Attention all S1 – S3 Pupils

Can you please return your EE2 forms and deposits to Mr Cumming in the PE base by Friday this week.

S4 – S6

S6 CARITAS

You should come to the meetings on a Tuesday OR Wednesday after school in U4. If you have not been to one yet see Mrs Casey to make sure you are registered for CARITAS.



St Margaret's Academy

Remember

AND REFLECT

As we celebrate 25 years of St Margaret's Academy we extend a warm invitation to all to gather together to express our gratitude for all who have gone before us, and to remember them with Love and Respect.

This is a special opportunity for pupils and staff, former and current, their families and friends and the wider community of our parishes to come together to Remember and Reflect.

We look forward to welcoming you all to the school on Wednesday 27th November from 7pm.

Tea/Coffee available. In order to help us with planning, please sign up at <http://bit.ly/2qjyGU7>

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 27, 2019 AT 7:00PM
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SUNDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2019

Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Year C

In the Gospel today (Luke 23:35-43) we see how the inscription over the cross, and all those who witnessed the crucifixion (the crowd, the rulers, the soldiers and the thieves) unwittingly proclaim the true identity of Jesus. The irony is that the titles, which are pronounced in mockery, are true: Jesus is both messiah and king.



Confession:

St Andrew's: Sat 9am & 4.30pm
St Peter's: Sat 10am
St Philip's: Sat 9am
St Theresa's: Sun after 11.30am

Adoration:

St Andrew's: Tue 10am to 11am
 Thu 7pm to 8pm
 Sat 4.30pm to 5pm
St Peter's: Sat 10am to 10.30am
St Philip's: Sat 9am to 9.15am

Morning Prayer:

St Philip's: Tue, Thu & Sat
 9.15am

Charismatic Prayer Group

St Andrew's: Tue 7.30pm

Parish office opening hours:

Mon, Tue, Wed & Thu
9.30am to 12.30pm

Shared News ...

Second Collection: Today there will be a second collection taken for Catholic Education.

Youth Club: Will meet tonight, Sunday 24th, from 6.00pm - 8.00pm in the Lanthorn.

Congratulations!: To St Margaret's Academy now celebrating their 25th anniversary. We wish God's blessing on them for the future.

Livingstones Prayer Group: Tuesday 26th at 7.30pm in St Andrew's church. Fr Kenneth will speak on The Beatitudes in Matthew's Gospel. All welcome to the meeting.

Remember & Reflect: As St Margaret's Academy celebrate 25 years, a warm invitation is extended to pupils, staff, former and current, families, friends and the wider community to gather together to express their gratitude for all who have gone before us and to remember them with love and respect. Takes place on Wednesday 27 November at 7.00pm. See poster for more details.

Social Committee: Will next meet on Wednesday 27th at 7.00pm in St Theresa's.

RCIA: Will meet on Thursday 28th at 7.00pm in St Peter's.

Martha & Mary Day - Attention all ladies of the cluster! A day's retreat from the busy preparation for Christmas, a day of Christmas crafts in the morning and time in the afternoon for reflection based on Mary visiting Elizabeth. Held in St Peter's on Saturday 30 November from 11.00am - 3.30pm. Tea, coffee and biscuits supplied; soup available at lunchtime; please bring a packed lunch. Cost is £5.00 per person and the proceeds will go to Fr John's Ghana Project. Please contact Frances McGuire or Nancy MacGillivray (Tel: 07801 533 104).

One World Group Peace Service: This year's service will take place in St Andrew's on Tuesday 3 December at 7.00pm.

Men's Breakfast: This event is open to all men over 18 years and will take place on Saturday 7 December from 7.45am - 9.30am in St Peter's. Cost is £2.50. Guest speaker to be announced nearer the time. If interested, please contact Brian Rolfe (Tel: 07538 153 582 or email march2ndjuly19th@gmail.com)

Thank You: A very special thank you from Fr Matthew in St Martin de Porres in Semana in Malawi to the St Andrew's Polish community here in Livingston. Their generous gift of £2,400 recently arrived just in time for Christmas celebrations for the children at the Mission Parish and 17 outstations. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

PPC Minutes: Are available on the noticeboard for anyone who is interested.

Next Sunday's Readings (01.12.19): Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 121; Romans 13:11-14; Matthew 24:37-44

Recently Deceased: Osemedua Kachikwu, Charles Purdie, Maria Adeline Long, Catherine Edgar **Anniversaries (November):** Colin Phair, Charlie McGillivray, Adelaide Martins, Brian McKenna, Elizabeth Fleming, Ella Conway

ST ANDREW'S ...

Friday 29th: The primary school will join us for Mass on Friday morning.

SSVP Christmas Appeal: We are appealing to you once again to support children of less well-off families who live among us. Please take a tag from the Giving Tree at the rear of the church. Wrapped gifts should be returned to any of the Masses in St Andrew's & St Theresa's on 30 November & 1st, 7th & 8th December. If you prefer to donate voucher or cash, we would be very grateful.

Christmas Nativity Cribs: Anyone who would like to buy a crib with figures can contact Joe or Jenny McDermott (Tel: 779 871) or see them after weekday/Saturday night Mass.

Last Sunday's Collection: £880.09; **Building Fund:** £231.22; **2020:** £100.00; **200 Club:** TBC; **Sanctuary**

Candle: T Donoghue

ST PETER'S ...

SPRED Mass: This morning we will celebrate our SPRED Community Family Mass and welcome everyone from the group.

Rosary Group: Will meet after Mass on Wednesday morning.

Knit & Natter: Until further notice, will meet at 1.00pm on Wednesdays.

Project Ghana: Any donations for Fr John should be put in an envelope marked 'Project Ghana' and given directly to Fr Simon.

Last Sunday's Collection: £914.95; **Church Stall:** £85.40; **Mission Sunday:** £64.62

Project Ghana

St Peter's	£1,070
Polish Community	£873
St Philip's	£623
St Andrew's	£298
St Theresa's	£200
One World Group	£350
TOTAL	£3,414



WIADOMOŚCI POLSKIEJ WSPÓLNOTY W LIVINSTON



Drodzy, w uroczystość Chrystusa Króla zapamiętajmy, że KRÓLOWAĆ TO SŁUŻYĆ! Takim sługą został Król Dawid, który służył po słowach: *Ty będziesz pasł mój lud, Izraela*. Wiedząc, że Jezus nasz Król jest też Dobrym Pasterzem: *Idźmy z radością na spotkanie Pana*. Ufność mamy dlatego, że to Bóg: *uwolnił nas spod władzy ciemności i przeniósł do królestwa swego umiłowanego Syna, w którym mamy odkupienie, odpuszczenie grzechów*. Wszyscy mamy miejsce w niebie, ale wszyscy też mamy coś w sobie z postawy owych łotrów, którzy wisieli obok Jezusa, gdy jego królowanie i nasze zbawienie dokonywało się na drzewie krzyża. Zamiast pełnej pogardy i oceniania postawy urągającego w ostatnich godzinach życia łotra, wybierajmy w życiu postawę prawdy o sobie i pokory wobec innych – jak ten Dobry Łotr. Nauczmy się tej jego modlitwy: *Jezu, wspomnij na mnie, gdy przyjdiesz do swego królestwa*. Jezus odpowiedział jemu – ale ufamy, że podobnie odpowie w godzinę śmierci mnie i Tobie: *Zaprawdę powiadam ci: Dzisiaj ze Mną będziesz w raju*. Łotr się tam dostał, więc jest nadzieja....

Kochani - Fr. Mathew z Malawi potwierdził odbiór 2.400GBP zbieranych przez polskie wspólnoty na potrzeby ubogich wspólnot i dzieci w parafii. Bóg zapłać za Wasze dary!

W cztery weekendy Adwentu będą procesje adwentowe z lampionami-nagrody dla dzieci

ŚWIECE CARITAS i POŚWIĘCONE OPLATKI będą dostępne przez Adwent – ks. Piotr

DATE	ST ANDREW'S	ST PETER'S	ST PHILIP'S	ST THERESA'S	FEAST DAY
Sun 24 Nov	9.30am Polish PK 11.30am Mass JS <i>Mary Ruby</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>Margaret Pollock</i> 5.30pm Mass SH <i>People of the Parish</i>	9.30am Mass KO <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.30am Mass KO <i>Charles Jarvis RIP</i>	Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Mon 25 Nov	No Service	No Service	No Service	9.00am Mass JS <i>Donor's Intention</i>	Monday 34th week of the year
Tue 26 Nov	9.30am Mass JS <i>Donor's Intention</i>	6.00pm Mass SH <i>Michael Maloney</i>	9.30am Mass KO <i>Donor's Intention</i>	No Service	Tuesday 34th week of the year
Wed 27 Nov	9.30am Mass KO <i>Donor's Intention</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>Charlie McGillivray RIP</i>	No Service	6.00pm Mass JS <i>Mary Mallarkey RIP</i>	Wednesday 34th week of the year
Thu 28 Nov	9.30am Mass KO <i>Donor's Intention</i>	9.30am Mass PK <i>Margaret O'Kane</i>	9.30am Mass JS <i>Donor's Intention</i>	No Service	Thursday 34th week of the year
Fri 29 Nov	9.30am Mass KO <i>Donor's Intention</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>Vince Moran</i>	No Service	9.00am Mass PK <i>Nan Clarke RIP</i>	Friday 34th week of the year
Sat 30 Nov	9.30am Mass KO 5.30pm Vigil KO <i>Apolo, family & friends</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>Donor's Intention</i> 6.30pm Polish PK	9.30am Mass JS <i>Donor's Intention</i>	No Service	Solemnity of St Andrew
Sun 1 Dec	9.30am Polish PK 11.30am Mass KO <i>Ann & Paul Bradford</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>People of the Parish</i> 5.30pm Mass SH <i>Fr Philip Kerr</i>	9.30am Mass JS <i>People of the Parish</i>	11.30am Mass JS <i>Charles Jarvis RIP</i>	1st Sunday of Advent Year A

NEW VENUE
FOR 2019!

EDINBURGH'S CHRISTMAS

Your invitation
to come along
and take part in
this Christmas
celebration

All are
welcome

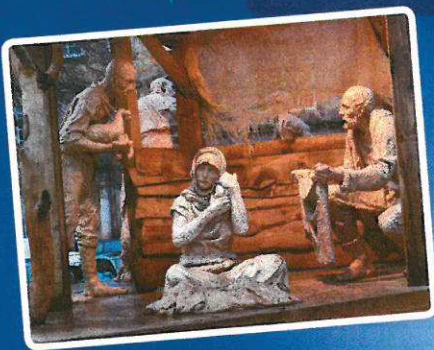
Nativity Carol Concert

Sunday 1st December 2019, 3pm
at the Top of the Mound, Mound Place, Edinburgh

Everyone is welcome to come along and sing
Christmas Carols and join the **Origin Scotland Choir**,
supported by **St. Columba's Choir, Blackhall, St. Andrews and
St. Georges West Choir, Salvation Army Band & Wester Hailes
Education Centre Choir** at the annual Nativity Carol Concert.

Bishop John Armes will give the Christmas message, and **Rev. Angus Mathieson** brings
prayers for the City, while **Archbishop Leo Cushley** blesses the Nativity Scene.

The collection this year will be for the **Cape Town Gospel Choir**



Nativity Scene donated by Sir Tom and Lady Farmer

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