



St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher Mrs. D. Linley



Friday 12th February 2021

Dear Parents and carers,

I hope you all have a peaceful and relaxing half term holiday. We anticipate another government announcement on the full re-opening of schools over the next few weeks, we will of course update you on this (hopefully, it won't be too long before all the children are safely back in school!).

After the half term holiday, we will be implementing a few staff changes to the school structure. Thankfully, we have had time to plan the transition from the current staffing structure to the new staffing structure to ensure that both children and staff are secure and confident with the changes. Please see below further information on the changes ahead.

As always, take care and have a lovely weekend!

Mrs. Linley and the St. Mark's Team

Staffing Update

From the week beginning 1st March, there will be some staff changes at St. Mark's. We will sadly be saying goodbye to some members of our St. Mark's community. While staff adjust to their new roles, we will be holding one live learning session the first week back and this will be a short wellbeing session with teachers and children currently in school. It will last about 15 minutes and it is a chance for children to see their peers and share some news about their half term holiday – perhaps what books they have been reading or activities they have been doing. The wellbeing sessions will be on **Friday 26th February** as follows:

Reception 9-9.15 Year 1 - 9.45 – 10 Year 2 - 10 -10.15 Year 3 - 11.15 - 11.30 Year 4 - 1-1.15
Year 5 - 1.45-2 Year 6 - 2.30 - 2.45

Year 5 and year 6 will have Mrs. Nellist supporting Miss Dorsett in Year 6 and Miss Francis in Year 5.

Year 4 will have Mrs. Smalling supporting children alongside Mr. Stanley.

Year 3 and Year 2 children will have Mrs. O'Shea supporting Miss Grant in Year 3 and Miss Cooney in Y2.

Year 1 children will continue to have Mrs. Doody to support alongside Miss Stewart.

Reception will have Mrs. S. Smith to support children alongside Mrs. Dukes.

We will sadly be saying goodbye to Mrs. Banger and Mrs. Chander who have been lunchtime supervisors at St. Mark's for 5 years. We thank them both for their hard work over the years and wish them well for the future. Their last day will be Friday 26th February.

During lunchtimes, Mrs. Rusenova and Mrs. Chouhan will be supporting the children with their school dinners in the hall. Mrs. Byrne will be supporting us at a reduced capacity during the transition from reduced class sizes to full class sizes.

Goodbye Mrs. Smith

On Wednesday this week, staff in school organised a special event for Mrs. Smith. Mrs. Smith's last day will be on Friday 26th February but with a government announcement likely over the coming weeks, we didn't want to miss an opportunity to properly recognise and celebrate the contribution Mrs. Smith has made to St. Mark's school. We still have a few more surprises up our sleeve for Mrs. Smith - there is more to come! 😊



TOP STAR EARNERS OF THE WEEK



Well done to the following children for earning the most stars this week!!

Mahira(YR) Daija(YR) Piotr(YR) Kane(Y1) Anaiya(Y1) Eva(Y1) Delphi(Y2)
Ivelin(Y2) Rose-Marie(Y2) Anah-Lia(Y3) Adam(Y3) Palvi(Y3) Holly(Y4)
Joshua(Y4) Zia(Y4) Aadam(Y5) Aanya(Y5) Amani(Y5) Rhia(Y6)
Zayaan(Y6) Tiya(Y6)

Congratulations and Well Done!

We would like to say a big well done to the following pupils for receiving a Congratulations certificate this week. Keep up the great work!



Reception: Adam & Anhad

Year 1: Josiah & Nathan

Year 2: Adam & Nathan

Year 3: Palvi & Diya & Madhav

Year 4: Zahra & Taim

Year 5: Aanya & Anayah

Year 6: Harry & Jeremiah



How many stars can you earn online with j2stars?

Wednesday Word

Please click on the following link to access this spiritual resource to share with your family and friends:



<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/holiday?pid=MTA101634&v=18.9>

School Term Dates

INSET DAY – School will be closed to pupils on Friday 28th May

Spring Term 2021

Half Term: Monday 15th February 2021 to Friday 19th February 2021

Term Ends: Thursday 1st April 2021

Summer Term 2021

Term Starts: Monday 19th April 2021

Half Term: Monday 31st May 2021 to Friday 4th June 2021

Term Ends: Wednesday 21st July 2021

