



# St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher Mrs. D. Linley



Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was great to see the children learning about peace and harmony on World Peace Day on Tuesday. The children have created a fantastic display in the school hall about the importance of Peace in our lives which is so inspiring. Also, it was great to see the dancers in school showcasing their talents to our children - we have many talented children at St. Mark's and we are proud to celebrate the many talents we have and watching the children having so much fun. Remember children, one day that might be you performing in front of a crowd of people! I am sending a big thank you to Mr. Ellicott and all of the staff who facilitated the sports day activities today. Our new Astro-turf pitch is proving to be a big hit amongst our children. We look forward to being able to invite other schools to St. Mark's to play matches on the pitch in the future.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend 😊

Mrs. Linley and the St. Mark's Team

## Wednesday Word - Sharing the Gospel

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/goodness?pid=MTA101634&v=38.19>

# Farewell to Mrs Smalling

It is with sadness that at the end of this month, we will say a farewell to a much-loved member of the St Mark's family, Mrs. Smalling, who has worked at St. Mark's for over 15 years. Mrs Smalling is embarking on an adventure off to a new school. During her 15 years at St Mark's, she has touched the lives of more than 450 children and families. Mrs Smalling has brought a lot of smiles and laughter to St. Mark's School and her presence will be greatly missed by all children and staff. We would like to give thanks to Mrs Smalling for going above and beyond throughout her time here, bringing out the best in so many pupils. We know that so many pupils and families will remember the lessons she taught and will pass them on to the next generation. I know that you will join me and the rest of the St Mark's Team in wishing Mrs Smalling all the best on the next chapter of her life.



## Presentation Points

In order for children to score 100 points, all children need to be dressed in the correct uniform every day - that means no trainers unless they have been asked to wear them, no nail varnish, no earrings and red school jumpers please.

Reception - 95

Year 1 - 95

**Year 2 – 100 – WELL DONE YEAR 2 !!!**

Year 3 - 95

Year 4 - 95

Year 5 - 92

Year 6 - 88



## Attendance figures so far this term

Reception – 95.4%

Year 1 – 94%

Year 2 – 97.8%

**Year 3 – 99.3%**

Year 4 – 97.8%

Year 5 – 97%

Year 6 – 97.6%

Well done everyone but in particular well done to **year 3** who have the highest attendance so far! Keep it up!



## Congratulations & 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:** Isla & Isaam

**Year 1:** Nishitha & Daija

**Year 2:** Natasha & Chinaza

**Year 3:** Delphi & Ivelin

**Year 4:** Palvi & Lyla

**Year 5:** Dilshaan & Aoki

**Year 6:** Justine & Preeti

## Our values for this half term are Eloquent and Truthful

Our children are growing to be eloquent and truthful in what they say of themselves, the relationship between people and the world. This half term our children's mission is to consider when we talk to each other, how we choose our words - we should do so carefully so they are kind and compassionate, and don't hurt others. Please help your children to write prayers focussed on our virtues when they bring home the prayer bag.

## Values & Virtues of the Week

- Reception** – Angel for being kind and caring to her friends.  
**Year 1** - Dior for being kind and caring towards her friends when they are feeling sad.  
**Year 2** - De'Jaurne for being respectful.  
**Year 3** - Ralph for always having kind words and positive praise for his peers.  
**Year 4** - Kyle for being trustworthy.  
**Year 5** - Raman for always being trustworthy and reliable.  
**Year 6** - Anayah for being polite and respectful at all times.

### School Term Dates

#### **Autumn Term 2021**

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October is a staff INSET day so school is closed to all pupils

Half term: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Term ends: Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2021

#### **Spring Term 2022**

School opens: Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2022

