



# St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher Mrs. D. Linley



Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents,

Thank you so much for your generosity with the donated food items for our Harvest Mass yesterday. If you haven't yet visited our new school website, please take a look as there is a lot of useful information available to you as parents, and of course we also have our school Twitter account @StMarksRC. It will be lovely to see many familiar faces next week for parents' evening on Thursday, we look forward to welcoming you back into school. Please remember that if you are attending a face to face appointment, we ask that you wear a mask inside the school building, you sanitise your hands on arrival and you keep a safe distance from others. Please do not be offended if you are asked by a member of school staff to do one of these three as we take ours and your safety seriously.

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/holiday-special?pid=MTA101634&v=41.5>

## In Loving Memory of Saros and Leonor Endris

On the 28<sup>th</sup> October 2016, we tragically lost two of the most kind and caring pupils from our St Mark's family. This year marks the 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their passing and we are going to remember them by sharing a special celebration of mass here at St Mark's school on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October. Past pupils and parents who shared a class with Saros and Leonor are invited to join the celebration of mass if they wish. Please contact the school office if you would like to attend. Saros and Leonor will forever be in our hearts. May they rest in peace.



## Note from friends of St Mark's

Hi there, for those of you who are new to St. Mark's, our St. Mark's Friends group (SMF) is made up of parents and carers of children at St. Mark's who very kindly organise events such as the Christmas and Summer Fayres and other exciting events that occur over the year. Without their valuable support, we would not be able to offer our children as many great and fantastic experiences that bring our school community together. We are always looking for new members of the school community to come onboard and support us.

The next St. Mark's Friends meeting will be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November at 5pm online via Zoom. If any parents are interested in supporting this group or would like to find out more, please get in touch with the school office and they will be happy to pass your details on to the chair of the committee. The more the merrier! 😊

## 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 - 96

Year 1 - 98

**Year 2 - 99**

Year 3 - 97

Year 4 - 94

Year 5 - 93

Year 6 - 98

**Well done Year 2**

**Keep up the good work!**



## Attendance figures so far this term

Reception - 94.2%

Year 1 - 94.5%

Year 2 - 97.7%

**Year 3 - 99.4%**

Year 4 - 98.1%

Year 5 - 95.8%

Year 6 - 95.9%



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:** Samuel & Spirit

**Year 1:** Kaiyanah & Sabrina

**Year 2:** Brady & Valeriya

**Year 3:** Ivelin & Evie

**Year 4:** Zara & Amen

**Year 5:** Hubert & Holly

**Year 6:** Anayah & Ivy

## Healthy Eaters

This week's Healthy Eaters awards go to, Dior in year 1 and Julia in year 1. Well done both of you and keep making healthy food choices!



## Values & Virtues of the Week

- Reception** – Kanhaiya for being kind and caring and always helping her friends.  
**Year 1** - Leo for always being a loving and caring friend.  
**Year 2** - Alex for supporting his friends when they need help.  
**Year 3** - Dylan for always using outstanding manners.  
**Year 4** - Reuben for showing compassions and kindness towards another child when he was hurt.  
**Year 5** - Raman for being kind and caring towards everyone she meets.  
**Year 6** - Joseph for speaking eloquently about the need to make changes to prevent climate change at Cardinal Wiseman.



### **TOP STAR EARNERS OF THE WEEK**



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

(YR) Megan	(YR) Ibraheem	(YR) Ruhan	(Y1) Sabrina	(Y1) Safa
(Y1) Yuvraaj	(Y2) Alex	(Y2) Sophie	(Y2) Amir	(Y3) Delphi
(Y3) Alex	(Y3) Anokh	(Y4) Zakaria	(Y4) Jaspreet	(Y4) Anah-Lia
(Y5) Destiny	(Y5) Raman	(Y5) Zahra	(Y6) Preeti	(Y6) Elena
(Y6) Amani				

### 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 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021

#### **Spring Term 2022**

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





## Diary Dates

For your  
Diary

### Dates for Diary: -

Weds 24 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Flu Vaccinations
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2021	Prizes for the Christmas Fayre
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2021	Bottles for Christmas raffle
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Christmas Fayre & non-uniform day
Tues 14 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Christmas dinner day for Reception & Key Stage 1
Weds 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Christmas dinner day for Key Stage 2
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2021	Christmas jumper day

### New Reception Class intake for 2022/23



St Mark's are hosting an open evening for prospective parents of new reception aged children, due to start school in the autumn of 2022. This will be held on site with the following details:

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021 from 4.30-5.30pm**

A maximum of two adults per booking to attend (no children unfortunately at this stage).

You must pre-book your place by emailing [enquiry@stmarkrc.bham.sch.uk](mailto:enquiry@stmarkrc.bham.sch.uk) in advance.

In order to keep everyone safe, please wear face coverings for the visit, maintain social distancing and hand sanitisation will be required at the entrance.

We look forward to welcoming parents to speak to staff and tour our school on the 11<sup>th</sup>.