



St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher Mrs. D. Linley



Friday 5th November 2021

Dear Parents,

It was wonderful to welcome the children back to school this week after a half term holiday. It is evident that your children have been busy over the holiday working on school projects - a big well done to everyone!

OneLife Music were in school all day yesterday to deliver a whole school retreat. It was wonderful to hear such joyful singing of the gospel around school. Music plays such an important part in the life of our school; it's evident in Mass, collective worship and in the curriculum.

Finally, thank you to all of the Reception parents who attended the Early Reading Workshop after school on Tuesday. There will be an open evening for prospective parents of reception children for September 2022. Please let your family and friends know and that they can book a place via the school office (further details are on the home page of our school website too).

Have a good weekend,
Mrs. Linley and the St. Mark's Team

Poppies

Year 6 have been selling poppies this week and will continue to do so next week. We are requesting a donation of 20p for a school poppy. We will be holding a Remembrance service in school on Thursday 11th November to remember the very brave men and women who lost their lives to war.



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/gift?pid=MTA101634&v=42.6>

Anti-bullying week

The week commencing Monday 15th November is anti-bullying week. We will be having discussions and activities with the children all week relating to this. On Monday 15th the children are invited to come into school wearing odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique. We just ask for a £1 donation to the school, which can be paid on our School Gateway app.



ODD SOCKS DAY
15th November

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 - 100

Year 1 – 100

Year 2 – 95

Year 3 - 95

Year 4 - 95

Year 5 - 100

Year 6 - 100

**Well done Year Reception, 1, 5 & 6
Keep up the good work!**



Attendance figures so far this term

Reception – 91.6%

Year 1 – 92.3%

Year 2 – 95.1%

Year 3 – 96.7%

Year 4 – 95%

Year 5 – 92.2%

Year 6 – 93.9%



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: Eva & Ruhan
Year 1: Dottie & Anhad
Year 2: Adam & Josiah
Year 3: Kaid & Alex
Year 4: Eline & Madhav
Year 5: Dilshaan & Arjun
Year 6: Christian & Kieran

Healthy Eater

This week's Healthy Eater awards go to, Safa and Caitlin in year 1.

Well done and keep making healthy food choices!



Values & Virtues of the Week

- Reception** – Aisha for always being helpful to her friends.
Year 1 - Julia for supporting her classmates and Mrs Dykes.
Year 2 - Ellie for always being ready to help others by making the correct choices.
Year 3 - Anokh for always helping his peers to develop their understanding by sharing his knowledge.
Year 4 - Nasri for supporting others with their learning.
Year 5 - Aimee for reflecting on and changing her actions.
Year 6 - Amani for reflecting well on the meaning of learned and wise.



TOP STAR EARNERS OF THE WEEK



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

(YR) Kanhaiya	(YR) Inbrheem	(YR) Isla	(Y1) Luca	(Y1) Piotr
(Y1) Jayan	(Y2) Eva	(Y2) Zayyan	(Y2) Rico	(Y3) Rosie
(Y3) Ashnan	(Y3) Ralph	(Y4) Eliza	(Y4) Joseph	(Y4) Natalia
(Y5) Destiny	(Y5) Christina	(Y5) Raman	(Y6) Teigan	(Y6) Amani
(Y6) Kimaya				

Schoolgateway

As I hope you are aware we have changed the app we use to collect payments for the school and how we communicate with our parents. We have moved from using ParentPay and we now use School Gateway. You should have all received an email with information on how to download and log in to this new app. If you have not received this email or are having trouble logging in just pop round to the school office and we will help you with this. The new app will improve efficiency and communication with you and it will also save the school money as if you have the app on your phone the messages we send to you will be free. We are requesting that you please download this app and familiarise yourself with it and hopefully you will find it useful.



School Term Dates

Autumn Term 2021

Term ends: Friday 17th December 2021

Spring Term 2022

Tuesday 4th January 2022 is a staff INSET day so school is closed to all pupils
School opens: Wednesday 5th January 2021





Diary Dates

For your
Diary



Dates for Diary: -

- Monday 15th November 2021 Odd socks day for anti-bullying week £1 donation.
Weds 24th November 2021 Flu Vaccinations for the whole school
Friday 26th November 2021 Please could children bring in unwanted goods for the Christmas Fayre (they need to be unused and in good condition please!)
- Friday 3rd December 2021 Please could children bring in bottles for Christmas raffle
Friday 10th December 2021 Christmas Fayre & non-uniform day
Tues 14th December 2021 Christmas dinner day for Reception & Key Stage 1*
Weds 15th December 2021 Christmas dinner day for Key Stage 2*
Friday 17th December 2021 Christmas jumper day, Children pay £1 to wear a Christmas jumper to school (money goes to school fund)

*Christmas dinners are £2.40 and information on how to book will be sent nearer the time.