



St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher Mrs. D. Linley



Friday 19th November 2021

Dear Parents,

The theme for anti-bullying week this year is 'let kindness fuel kindness' and the children have been carrying out acts of kindness this week. Our children are very generous and giving of their talents, their friendship and of their time. Well done!



Let us all remember that one kind word can be all is needed to change a person's day.

Have a good 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/leader?pid=MTA101634&v=44.8>

Healthy Eater

This week's Healthy Eater awards go to, Isaac in year 2, Shakur in year 4 and Kian in year 6.

Well done and keep making healthy food choices!



TOP STAR EARNERS OF THE WEEK



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

(YR) Isaam

(YR) William

(YR) Hizkiel

(Y1) Mahira

(Y1) Enya

(Y1) Sofia

(Y2) Alex

(Y2) Julia

(Y2) Sophie

(Y3) Chioma

(Y3) Amanah

(Y3) Jasdeep

(Y4) Palvi

(Y4) Natalia

(Y4) Nasri

(Y5) Destiny

(Y5) Christina

(Y5) Freya

(Y6) Amani

(Y6) Raphael

(Y6) Preeti

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 - 98

Year 1 – 98

Year 2 – 93

Year 3 - 97

Year 4 - 97

Year 5 - 96

Year 6 - 98

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



Attendance figures so far this term

Reception – 94.1%

Year 1 – 94.9%

Year 2 – 97.4%

Year 3 – 99.2%

Year 4 – 97.5%

Year 5 – 95%

Year 6 – 96.9%



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: Ranveer & Naomi

Year 1: Dior & Jayan

Year 2: Rajveer & Nathan

Year 3: Rose-Alicia & Maria

Year 4: Elisia-Leigh & Eliza

Year 5: Victoria & Zunairah

Year 6: Ania & Ayva

Values & Virtues of the Week

- Reception** – Aisha for always wanting to improve upon her work.
- Year 1** - Tida for discussing prayer in a respectful way.
- Year 2** - Valeriya for always being ready and respectful in class.
- Year 3** - Fionn for always recognising how God would want him to act and tries his best to follow Jesus' footsteps.
- Year 4** - Szymon for his serving in Mass.
- Year 5** - Sienna for always wanting to improve in all learning.
- Year 6** - Daisy for always taking an interest in others and showing she cares.

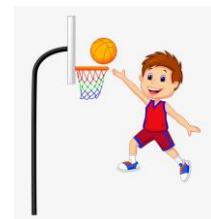
Sporting Activities

As life continues returning to something close to what it was pre-pandemic, I want to share details of a number of local sports clubs your children could get involved with if they wish. There are a number of talented athletes and sports stars amongst our pupils and I'd actively encourage further involvement with sport outside of school as it has a big impact on health, wellbeing and friendships too. I hope you find this useful. Feel free to ask if you have any questions and I'm certainly happy to share other clubs in future too. These are biased towards my favourite sports, but I'm happy to share others if they come recommended. Many thanks, Mr Ellicott

Basketball

West Brom Basketball Club based at George Salter Academy, Davey Road, B70 9UW. Contact hello@westbrombasketball.co.uk

City of Birmingham Basketball Club, who our coach Michael Gayle plays for. Contact: <https://www.cobrockets.co.uk/contact/>



Cricket

Aston Manor Cricket Club, Church Road, B42 2LA. Contact Secretary Andrea Prichard at andmart@hotmail.co.uk, Head of Cricket Dave Woakes at woakes49@gmail.com tel.07870830090, or Martin Prichard 07484780159



Rugby

Walsall Rugby Club, Delves Road, WS1 3JY. Contact walsallrufc@hotmail.co.uk or see emailed poster.



Proposed Conversion to Academy Status



You should have received an email earlier this week informing you that St Mark's has proposed to move into the St John Bosco Multi Academy Company. We are currently moving into the parent consultation phase and this is a very exciting time for us here at St Mark's. If you did not receive this email, please let the office know and we can print you a copy for your information.

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: -

Weds 24 th November 2021	Flu Vaccinations for the whole school
Friday 26 th November 2021	Please could children bring in unwanted goods for the Christmas Fayre (they need to be unused and in good condition please!)
Friday 3 rd December 2021	Please could children bring in bottles for Christmas raffle
Friday 10 th December 2021	Christmas Fayre & non-uniform day
Tues 14 th December 2021	Christmas dinner day for Reception & Key Stage 1*
Weds 15 th December 2021	Christmas dinner day for Key Stage 2*
Friday 17 th 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.