



St Mark's News

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Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed the extended bank holiday weekend, the weather was beautiful and I hope you were all able to get out and enjoy it. As the weather improves please make sure you apply sun cream each day to your child. Several children returned from the bank holiday break with sunburnt skin. Allowing your child to get burnt puts them at greater risk of skin cancer later on in life. Factor 50 is advised and applying an hour before exposure to the sun is also best practice. Children can self-apply cream at school during the day, hats and lots of water are also recommended.

Best wishes, Ms Braithwaite

Y6 SATs

Good luck to our wonderful Year 6 class who begin their SATs on Monday. They have all been working so hard during the last few months to ensure they achieve their full potential. Well done Y6, I know all your hard work will pay off!

The Royal Wedding

Next Friday, to send the Royal couple our best wishes we will be celebrating the Royal wedding of Prince Harry and Megan Markle with a non-school uniform day. Children are asked to wear their best outfit or red, white and blue. There will be a special Royal menu for lunch, treats and weather permitting some party games.

GDPR (data protection)

You may be aware that there are new data protection laws coming into effect from 25th May 2018. To ensure that we are meeting the new requirements, we need to re-ask your consent to take and use photographs and videos of your children. We really value using photos of children to showcase what we do in school and our website would not be half as amazing without the photographs. We appreciate you taking the time to complete the forms, these will be sent out shortly.

Ramadan Mubarak

Whilst we recognise that fasting is not compulsory before the age of puberty in Islam, we understand that some children are encouraged to fast or wish to fast in preparation for adulthood.

Help us to offer our support by ensuring we know if your child is fasting. This is very important, especially due to the warmer weather and curriculum requirements such as PE and swimming. Children in KS1 are not encouraged to fast. Happy Ramadan!

Amber and Pearl Class News

Our Early Years classes have been a great addition to the school since opening in November 2015. Having a nursery has provided our Reception children with continuity and consistency that has really helped them to flourish. Here are two short blurbs about what they have been up to this week.

The children in Amber class had lots of fun exploring with paints this week. They engaged in large floor painting activities, in which they used different tools to create lots of lovely patterns and marks. The children were so excited and found it very funny when they covered their hands and feet with the paint. Messy play is a great activity for young children as it helps promote many different areas of their development. Why not give it a try at home! Take a look at the 2-year-old page on the school website and see what the children did.

In Pearl class, they have been talking about a wide range of insects and bugs. They have focused on bees and how honey is made, which is linked to the honey biscuits the children made during the week. All activities promote their understanding of the world, whilst they have fun learning.

Important Dates For Your Diary

SATs week	14 th – 18 th May
Phonics Check	11 th – 15 th June
Science Week	11 th – 15 th June
Y6 to Osmington Bay	21 st – 25 th May
Summer Fair	Friday 6 th July
Sports Day	15 th June
Class photos	8 th June
Y6 End of Year Show.	12 th July

"and when he had said these things, as they were looking on,
he was lifted up and a cloud took him out of their sight."

Acts 1:v9



**We wish you a long, healthy
and happy marriage from all at**

St Mark's C of E School

