

St Mark's News

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Dear Parents and Carers.

Thank you to all the families who came along to our autumn parents evening last night. I hope you found the time useful in understanding how your child/ren are progressing. Please remember that you don't need to wait until parents evening if you have a concern regarding your child's learning.

On Wednesday night it was lovely to see five of our Y5 pupils perform for the second time this week at Highbury Grove school. They have been attending for just over a term but demonstrated real talent on their Instruments-Well-done all of you!

Happy start of advent.

Ms Braithwaite

Shakespeare Performance

Well done to the fabulous thespians of Y5. Their faultless performance on Monday at the Park Theatre left us speechless! They landed their lines wonderfully well and their deliverance of the play was BAFTA worthy! Thank you to Miss Sahota for her passion and drive to make the performance happen. We were enormously proud of the children and it was great to see so many parents and families at the event.

Reception Parents Lunch with the children

On Wednesday 28th November, parents of our Reception children were invited to have lunch with their child. We had 25 parents in total and judging by the feedback received, all enjoyed the delicious beef roast. The children love to have their parents in and next Wednesday, we will be inviting Y1 parents to lunch.

Book Fair

As we are sure you will have noticed, Travelling Books are back and will be available until Tuesday 4th December. There are so many amazing books, with some incredible bargains, perfect for early Christmas shopping! Every book purchased earns the school commission to purchase new books, so please come along to the book fair and support our drive to get all children reading and enjoying books.

Children In Need

Thank you to all families who donated to Children in Need on our non-uniform day. We will also be having a 'Wear a Christmas Jumper' Day on Thursday, 13th December and the money raised then will be added to our collection for Children in Need. Will let you know the grand total raised in the New Year. Thank you for your continued support.

Christmas Fair - Friday 14th December

As you will be aware the Christmas Fair is shortly approaching and St Mark's Family are working hard to organise the fair and as always they would greatly appreciate help with the following:

- Planning, setting up and running stalls on the day;
- Donations for both the adult and children's Tombola stalls;
- Home-made or shop bought Christmas cakes;
- Help with tidying the hall after the fair.

Please let the office staff know if you are able to help with any of the above. Your support to help make our Christmas Fair special is much appreciated.

Family Prayer Group

Join us to pray for St Marks School, staff, children & families. The next group prayer is at 2.45pm-3.30pm on Thursday 6th December in the School Music room (next to the school hall). Please contact Heni Draskoczy (Mum to Maté, Yr 4) or Bex Daynes (Mum to Benji Y6 & Joshy Y3 at school drop off or pickup if you'd like more information.

A Gentle Reminder!

Please ensure that we have at least 3 emergency contact numbers at school for your child. It is essential that we are able to contact either you or another adult named by you if there is an emergency regarding your child or if they are ill and need to go home.

Dates for Your Diary

Christmas Nativity	Wednesday 12th December 2pm
Christmas Dinner	Thursday 13th December
Christmas Fair	Friday 14th December
Class Parties	Thurs 20th December
End of term	Friday 21st December -2pm

