

## St Mark's News

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Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

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#### Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been yet another incredibly busy term with much happening in the life of our school. Many of you will have seen the league tables which were published yesterday. Our results continue to reflect the hard work of all children and staff. There are 20,925 primary schools in the UK and we have been ranked as being in the top 2% of those for our progress in Maths and top 3% for our combined progress (Children achieving the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Maths). These are amazing results for us all. As ever, we cannot do our job so well without the unrelenting support and commitment from you, our parent community. Thank you for all you do! Wishing you and your families a wonderful Christmas and New Year and we look forward to seeing you back at school on Tuesday 8th January 2019.

Wishing you all good things,

Ms Braithwaite



#### **Christmas Nativity**

For those of you who were able to attend the Christmas Nativity & Christingle service on Wednesday afternoon, I am sure you agree that it was a wonderful performance by our children. Year 2 performed their roles and all children sang beautifully. Thank you for coming along to take part in and support this very special event in the Christian calendar.

On Monday afternoon we are having our Christingle service in the school hall at 2.30pm. All parents and carers are welcome.

#### **Mobile Phones**

We are thankful for your feedback and enthusiasm for all children's' performances and time in school. Please remember that when you come to watch a performance your child wants to see you looking at them, not at your phone. We appreciate that families will treasure digital memories and the general rule is that parents may take photos and videos of the children in their care, for personal use only. Live streaming, whether public or private, cannot be permitted and we request that you do

not use any streaming platforms or live features (eg Facebook). When you capture footage or still images there is a strong possibility that other children will also be visible or audible. For this reason we also say that nothing should be shared publicly.

Thank you for your support.

#### Children In Need total

The total sum raised for Children in Need from both our non-school uniform days is £301. Thank you to everyone who contributed.



Our Lord and Savior now draws near, O come, let us adore

# A Message from Our Digital Leaders

### We are Fundraising!!





We are Digital Leaders. We are leading the school with technology. The project we are working on is called 'The Rocket Fund' and we are trying to collect enough money to buy Chromebooks. We do have laptops but they are old and don't work very well so we need Chromebooks. Our aim is to raise £1,790 by 18<sup>th</sup> January 2019. So far we have £40 and we really need your help.

The link to donate is live on our school website, just click on Rocket Fund. Please donate today!

Isabelle Adkin Digital Leader

The digital leaders have been working on a plan to help our school to get chrome books because our computers are old and take ages to load. Some have even broken circuits and batteries. Though we are aiming to get 10 which costs £1,790, we would also like to attempt to get to an extra 5 that will cost £945. We have until the 18<sup>th</sup> of January to get the money. Please donate the link is below - it all goes to a good cause.

https://rocket.fund/p/StMarks-Chromebook-Mission/

Laurie Tate Digital Leader

