



Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

St Mark's News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Spring term is coming to an end and summer is just around the corner. I am so impressed with the focus on learning shown by the children. Y6 have been working especially hard, attending early morning booster classes in preparation for the SATs in early May. They will also be attending Easter school during the holidays.

On Sunday 24th March I attended David Bird's last service at St Mark's Church. He gave a beautiful sermon in which he spoke of love, service and following. He will be greatly missed by children, staff and his congregation. We wish him all good things for the future.

Best wishes for a wonderful and hopefully sunny Easter break.

Ms Braithwaite

Easter Service at St Mark's Church

We will be going to Church on Tuesday 2nd April at 2pm for the Easter Service. Parents and carers are very welcome to come along to this important event in the Christian calendar.

School Streets Scheme

This week was the start of the local streets being closed to school traffic and through traffic from 8.20 to 9.10am and 3.15 to 4pm. This is to help improve air quality, make a safer, more pleasant environment and support active travel to and from school. Feedback from parents in the playground has been extremely positive. Please remember not to enter these zones in a car during the restricted times as CCTV cameras are running and the local authority are issuing fines.

Red Nose Day

Thank you all for your support in celebrating Red Nose Day. Children who came in wearing something red donated towards comic relief and combining that with the red nose sales we managed to raise £478.50. Well done St Mark's.

Pearl Class Assembly

On Tuesday 26th March our lovely Pearl Class children performed their assembly in front of their parents and the whole school. It was amazing! The singing, the dressing up as fairytale characters and them remembering their lines was fabulous. Thank you to Katerina, Jamal and Vicky for putting the performance together and to parents for the wonderful dressing up outfits.

World Book \ Dress-Up Day

Talking of dressing up We are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 4th April. Among the fun things happening on that day is for children and staff to dress as a character from their favourite book. Children may come to school wearing their costume and do not have to change into uniform. Please also bring in the book relating to their character, as we will be doing the 'stop everything and read' sessions throughout the day. I am sure one member of staff will be practically perfect in every way!

Parents Evening

It was great to see so many of you at Parents Evening yesterday. I hope you are as proud as we are of your children for the great progress they are making.

School Library Opening Times

The school library will be open on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 3.30 to 4pm from the start of the summer term. Children may change their books at this time or sit and read in the comfy areas.

Don't forget – As we will be at the end of Spring Term on Friday 5th April, school will close at 2pm. Please ensure you are there to pick up your child.

Dates for Your Diary

Y5 Music Concert	Tuesday 2 nd April – 10am
End of Term	Friday 5 th April – 2pm
Summer Term Begins	Tuesday 23 rd April
INSET (School Closed)	Friday 3 rd May

Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

Psalm 119 Vs 105



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TERM & HOLIDAY DATES 2019/20	
Autumn Term 2019	
Total Days: 75	
Term Starts:	Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd September 2019 – INSET DAYS
Children return:	Wednesday 4th September 2019
Half Term:	Monday 21st October 2019 – Friday 25th October 2019
Children return:	Monday 28th October 2019
Term Ends:	Friday 20th December 2019 @ 2pm
Christmas Holidays	Monday 23rd December 2019 to Friday 3rd January 2020
Spring Term 2020	
Total Days: 60	
Term Starts:	Monday 6th January 2020 – INSET DAY
Children return:	Tuesday 7th January 2020
Half Term:	Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February 2020
Children return:	Monday 24th February 2020
Term Ends:	Friday 3rd April 2020 @ 2pm
Easter Holidays:	Good Friday 10th April 2020 / Easter Monday 13th April 2020
Spring Holidays:	Monday 6th April 2020 – Friday 17th April 2020
Summer Term 2020	
Total Days: 60	
Term Starts:	Monday 20th April 2020 – INSET DAY
Children return:	Tuesday 21st April 2020
Half Term:	Monday 25th May 2020 – Friday 29th May 2020
Children return:	Monday 1st June 2020
Terms Ends for children:	Friday 17th July 2020 @ 2pm
	Monday 20th July 2020 INSET DAY
Bank Holidays	May Day Monday – 4th May 2020
	Spring Bank Holiday – Monday 25th May 2020
	Summer Bank Holiday - Monday 31st August 2020

The total number of pupil days is 190

INSET Days = 5

TOTAL DAYS 195

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