



# St Mark's News

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Issue 3

Thy Word Is A Lamp To My Feet And  
A Light To My Path

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week it's been! Apologies to everyone who was impacted by the closure of the school on Tuesday. We were one of 15 schools closed in the borough. Closing the school is not a decision we take lightly but due to health and safety requirements it was out of our control. Well done to our lovely Y3 class for their drive and resilience carrying on with their class assembly during the mass exodus of children being collected and leaving with their parents-You were FAB!!

Wishing you peace this weekend,

Ms Braithwaite

## October is Black History Month!

While black history is celebrated year round at St Marks, Black History Month is marked annually. It recognises and values the inspirational individuals and events that have shaped the black generation. During Black History Month, we remember and celebrate the important people from the past and also those who contribute to and help our society today. This year classes will be learning about black music throughout the decades and key people within this time. Children will also have lessons around 'what is racism'.

On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> all children are asked to wear RED for the national day of 'Show Racism the Red Card'

## McMillan Coffee Morning

Thank you once again to everyone who contributed to our McMillan cake sale at the end of September. I am delighted to say that we raised an amazing £520.

## Harvest Festival Service – 11am St Mark's Church

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October is our Harvest Festival service at St Mark's Church. Harvest is a time where we encourage our pupils to think of others less fortunate than themselves and to think about sharing what we have with others. Just as with last year, children can bring in non-perishable food items (no fresh fruit or vegetables please) on Thursday which will be donated to local Food Banks. You are always incredibly generous at Harvest time, and we hope that 2019 will be no exception!

**REMINDER: Bikeability Monday 14<sup>th</sup> to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> Oct**  
Children in Y5 and Y6 will need to bring in their bikes and helmets to participate in this valuable training.

## Attention Parents/Carers

Are you looking to get back into work or would you like to just brush up on your skills for employment? The school will be hosting an employment workshop for parents on **Thursday October 17<sup>th</sup>** 9am-11am. This is your chance to:

- Write or update your CV
- Understand the tricks to interview questions and always give the best answers
- Find ways to get back into employment via online searches

For more information, please speak to Ayesha Taylor our School Home Support Practitioner.

## Dates for your Diary

Y2 Class Assembly	Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> October 10am
Y1 Class Assembly	Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November 10am
Y5 Class Assembly	Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 10am
Rec Class Assembly	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> November 10am
Half term	Mon 21 <sup>st</sup> -Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> October
Parent consultations	Thurs 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov - 3.45 onwards
End of term	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> December -2pm

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*Psalm 119 Vs 105*

*St Mark's School Vision*



## HARVEST FESTIVAL

THURSDAY 17th OCTOBER 2019

Philippians 4:19. "And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus." ...

Harvest Festival at St Mark's Church at  
11am on Thursday 17th October  
Parents/carers are very welcome.



Please also donate packets and tins which can be brought in on the day or before.

We will be giving the food to the charity 'Foodbank' this year.  
Please donate generously!

We are also collecting small change in wellies as well for **Christian Aid**....please bring in your loose change to help the wellies overflow!

