

# St Mark's News

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

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### **Dear Parents and Carers,**

I hope you all enjoyed the Easter break and some of the lovely sunshine that came with it. The summer term here at school is in full swing and the falling numbers of Covid cases is reassuring and positive. It is also good to see restrictions being lifted and seeing the joy on peoples' faces, after not seeing friends and family for a long time.

The children all seem really happy to be back and enthusiastic in terms of their learning. Although we must remain in bubbles we hope to have an exciting and fun filled few months of school.

Wishing you a wonderful bank holiday weekend.

Please stay safe. Ms Braithwaite

### Summer Fayre 2021

We are pleased to announce that we have put a tentative date in the diary for a Summer fayre to take place after school on Friday 9 July. In keeping with school tradition this event will be organised by the parent community for the enjoyment and benefit of the whole school. Please look out for updates in the newsletter for ways you can get involved with organising the fayre as the term progresses.

# Goodbye to Kamlyn

Yesterday, the school said goodbye to our Y2 TA Kamlyn. Kamlyn, like other staff members is an ex pupil and came to us after finishing university. We knew we wouldn't be able to keep her forever as she is bright, intelligent and ambitious and is moving on to follow her dreams. She will be hugely missed but has promised to keep in touch and visit regularly. We wish her every success in her new position.

# Music

The week we welcomed Mr. Jack Allison to our school as the new music teacher. Mr. Allinson is well known across Islington and has worked at several schools. He will be working on Tuesdays and Wednesday and supporting class assemblies. Due to the pandemic we are still unable to sing in large groups but Mr. Allinson has already made sure he has heard everyone sing and was suitably impressed.

#### **St Vincent Appeal**

Thank you to everyone who has donated towards our St Vincent appeal. The situation on the island is worsening and more and more families are being evacuated. They now have the added problem of rain and mud slides which put extra pressure on an already struggling island. The collection of donations from St Mark's will take place on the 5<sup>th</sup> May. If you would still like to donate please bring toys, toiletries, childrens' clothes or stationary to school before this date. Thank you.

# **Families For Life**

Families for Life provide free healthy lifestyle programmes and sessions to families in Islington and can give advice about healthy eating via a fun weekly online cookery class or by individual phone appointments. For more information about what is on offer for Islington residents please contact Families for Life on 020 7527 2304 or email familykitchen@islington.gov.uk to register your interest.

# Well done Y3 for 100% attendance last week. FANTASTIC!

Please ensure you have downloaded School PING and are reading you messages.

Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. Psalm 119 Vs 105 St Mark's School Vision