



St Mark's News

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Issue 1

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

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Dear Parents and Carers

WELCOME BACK.

I hope that this newsletter finds you well and that your child/ren have enjoyed the first two weeks of the new academic year. It has been lovely to have everyone back and see the children enjoy their learning, back in class. I have been so impressed by how well they have responded to the many new procedures that we have put in place to prevent the spread of Covid-19. There have been considerable changes to how the school day operates and I am very grateful to my staff for managing these so well and to parents and carers for their support and understanding of them.

It has been an extremely busy two weeks and I am sure that the children will be feeling quite tired so hope that you are able to enjoy a restful weekend.

Ms Braithwaite

Secondary Transfer Meeting

Due to the pandemic and guidance around social distancing, this year's secondary school transfer meeting will be held over 'Zoom' led by a member of Islington's admission team.

The meeting will be held on Wednesday 23rd at 4pm, a link will be sent to Y6 parents to access the meeting via 'PING'.

Coronavirus symptoms-REMINDER

We know that there are issues with families accessing test kits. Unfortunately, without a negative test we must insist that any child displaying symptoms or living with someone displaying symptoms isolates for ten days. Work can be sent home for children who are well.

Symptoms are....

- a new continuous cough and/or
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

You must let the school know if the test is positive.

Breakfast Club

Thank you to the parents who completed the breakfast club and after school club survey. Due to the decrease in demand we will be able to resume breakfast club for the parents of key workers only from 28th September.

The service is limited to 15 children and families will be contacted individually regarding places. The cost has been increased to £2.50 per day.

Community Activities for Parents & Children

Please take a look at the Islington council website for a list of things to do in the community, some of which are suitable for adults wanting to return to study and other fun activities which are aimed at children.

For the latest list of activities please see:

https://directory.islington.gov.uk/kb5/islington/directory/whats_on.page.

Please note that this half term, class assemblies will be filmed and uploaded onto 'Google Classroom' for parents to view.

Dates For Your Diary

Y6 Class Assembly	Tuesday 6 st October
Y3 Class Assembly	Tuesday 13 th October
Y4 Class Assembly	Tuesday 20 th October
Half term	Mon 26 th -Fri 30 th October
Parent consultations	Teachers will phone parents at allocated times during the week beginning 16 th November
End of term	Friday 18 th December -2pm

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

Psalm 119 Vs 105

St Mark's School Vision