

St Mark's News

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Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the first newsletter of the new academic year it is great to be back.

We have now had visit days from all our new children and by the middle of next week we will have a full class of Reception children. All of the new children seem to be enjoying St Mark's school as much as we are enjoying having them. Welcome to our new families, we look forward to getting to know you during the coming months.

The last week has been a mixture of emotions with the sad news of the death of The Queen. In two special assemblies we have discussed her reign and unfaltering service. It was also good to share her fun side with both James Bond and Paddington. We have set up a book of remembrance in the foyer for children to write their messages. Please remember that school is closed on Monday for The Queen's Funeral

Have a good weekend and see you on Tuesday.

Ms Braithwaite

Amazing SATs Results

Well done to last year's Y6 class for their fantastic SATs results. They far out passed national averages and our children exceeding national expectations is nothing short of amazing. As always it's team work that makes this happen and testament to the dedicated staff team here at school.

Subject	School	National	Exceeding
Reading	86%	74%	46%
Maths	86%	71%	36%
SPAG	86%	72%	50%
Writing	86%	69%	25%
RWM Combined	79%	59%	18%

Open Door

We had a few parents and Carers come in this morning for our first open door Friday of the new school year. If you weren't able attend today- we hope to see you soon.

Asthma Medication – School Requirement

If your child has been diagnosed with Asthma please remember that we should have 2 inhalers at school. We should also have a copy of their Asthma plan on our medication file. Can we also remind you that any medication (including inhalers) held at school should be checked at the end of every term to ensure that it has not reached the expiry date.

Tea towels

School tea towels with the childrens' portraits are still available to purchase. They cost £3 for 1 or £4 for 2. Finding everyone can be really good fun!!

Parent Workshops – Understand Maths

Every Friday morning in Autumn Term 1, we will be holding short maths workshops for parents. The workshops will be a relaxed 30-minute session giving parents an opportunity to ask any questions about our maths curriculum. The sessions will be pitched towards parents of pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6. Workshops start at 9am on Friday 23 September. To reserve your place, please see Ayesha Taylor or Mr McEleney as we are limiting the spaces to 12 parents.

Scooters

There are what appears to be a number of abandoned scooters in our Y3 area. Some of them have become dangerous due to rusting. If you know you have left a scooter, please come to collect it as we will be disposing of any left behind at the end of the month.

Dates For Your Diary

Tuesday 4th October	
Tuesday 11 th October	
Tuesday 18 th October	
Mon 24 ^h -Fri 28 th October	
Tuesday 8 th November	
Tuesday 15th November	
Tuesday 22 nd November	
Week of 21st November	
Friday 16 th December -2pm	