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St Mark's News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well. I can hardly believe that we are coming to the end of the first half term. The children and staff have been working extremely hard and their classes and communal areas of the school all represent this with amazing learning and displays. Our Year 3/4 football team have gotten off to a great season and give real hope for some silverware in the years to come. We have welcomed four new staff this term. Sophie and Roxana in Year 1, Marcia in Year 4 and Ms Kirton who is covering Mrs Mohamed's maternity leave, which begins at the end of October. I know you will join me in wishing her a safe delivery. Wishing you all a lovely weekend,

Yr. 6 Secondary Transfer

This is a reminder that the deadline for secondary transfer applications is 31st October. We are happy to assist parents with their forms up until Friday 21st October, which is when we advise you to submit your form. Why not sign up for ParentComms?

Using the app, you will be able to receive the outcome of your application on your mobile device. You can download the free ParentComms app from the Apple AppStore, Google Play or Windows Phone Store by registering your username and password. You will receive reminders about the closing date and any pending applications that need to be submitted by the deadline.

Children in Need

Friday 18th November is Children in Need Day. We are asking all children to come to school looking SPOTACULAR. There will be games and activities in classes on the day that all children will take part in. Children are also asked to donate £1 to the charity.

Parents Workshops

I hope all the parents who came along to our Maths workshop this morning on long multiplication found the session beneficial. Next week Mr McEleney will be teaching long division and after half term will be moving on to fractions. After he has finished all the maths topics, he will be moving on to supporting your child in English.

Unwelcome Visitors

It has been reported that we have some unwelcome visitors in children's hair. This is a timely reminder to regularly check your child's hair and treat if necessary. Also, it is highly recommended if your child has long hair to tie it back-Please!

Harvest Service

This is a reminder that you are invited to join us at our Harvest Service at St Mark's church at 10am on Monday 17th October.

As usual we are collecting non-perishable foods for the Islington Foodbank. Please be generous with your donations this harvest time!

We are also inviting the children to wear a Harvest accessory along with their school uniforms.

Examples might be: Harvest hat, Wellies or Harvest jumper. We look forward to seeing you there!

MacMillan

I am delighted to inform you that we raised a spectacular **£385** from our MacMillan coffee morning and after school cake sale event. Many thanks to everyone who baked, faked, donated or purchased a cake to help raise funds for this great cause.

Wear Red to Say NO to Racism

On the last day of half term, Friday 21st October 2022, St Mark's will be saying NO to racism and supporting the Show Racism the Red Card Charity.

On the day, children can come to school in non-uniform and wear red clothes to support this very important cause. We will be collecting cash donations on the gate at the start and end of the day.

To learn more and join us to say NO to Racism, visit the Show Racism the Red Card website:

https://www.theredcard.org/wear-red-day

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Dates For Your Diary

Y5 Class Assembly	Tuesday 4th October
Y1 Class Assembly	Tuesday 11 th October
Y2 Class Assembly	Tuesday 18 th October
Half term	Mon 24 ^h -Fri 28 th October

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