

St Mark's News

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

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a quick half-term this is turning out to be! From strikes, insets and bank holidays fit for a king, there doesn't seem to be much time left. In the week ahead, we prepare our wonderful Year 6 class for their SATS journey. We are very proud of Onyx class, and are excited to see them shine as we know they can.

Wishing you a restful and fun-filled coronation weekend,

Ms Braithwaite

Coronation Day Celebrations - Monday 15th May

We hope you enjoy this Bank Holiday weekend and are able to celebrate our new King's coronation. We will be celebrating the coronation of King Charles III on Monday 15th May. There will be a celebration picnic lunch on the front lawn (weather permitting) and children will not have to wear uniform.

Well Done Y6

Our lovely Y6 children have been preparing for their upcoming SATs with extra booster classes twice per week as well as a whole week of the Easter Holidays for lessons with Mr Peacock and Mr McEleney. They are all amazing and on the right track to do very well. SATs begin on Tuesday 9th May and end on Friday 12th May. The children should have early nights to ensure they rise early. They are also more than welcome to attend breakfast club (from 8am) and get a free SATS-fueled breakfast.

Rainbow Room Redecoration

Over the Easter holidays we had our Rainbow Room (the room opposite Y5 which is use for interventions) decorated. It is now a more calming and brighter area for the children to learn outside of the classroom. Our lovely Governors were happy to pay for this much needed redecoration and we are very thankful to them that we were able to get it done so quickly. We are also very grateful to the parent who prepared the room for redecoration. Her attention to detail was second to none but unfortunately due to time constraints she was unable to complete the job.

Y1 Deanery Music Event

Mr Allinson, our music teacher was very busy last term co-ordinating a special singing event. All the Y1 classes from Islington Deanery Schools participated and were filmed separately at their school singing the same song. The performances have been put together on one video and we are pleased to inform our Y1 parents that they may come and view the video on Friday 26th May at 10am in the hall. This is not to be missed – it is truly wonderful.

Healthy Packed Lunch

May we remind you that if your child wishes to have a packed lunch rather than a school meal, the packed lunch should not contain sweets, biscuits, crisps or a drink other than water. The lunch should be a healthy balanced meal, for example a sandwich, a piece of fruit or vegetables and water only.

End of Day Pick-Up

We have seen an increasing number of children being collected well after the pick-up time of 3.25pm. Please plan your journey time so that you are at school to pick up your child at the end of the school day. If a child is late to arrive at school, they miss valuable learning time and if they are picked up late the impact is on the staff who have to stay with your child until they are collected.

Uniform is here

We have had a delivery of new uniform and have all sizes of yellow polo tops, blue sweatshirts and fleeces.