



St Mark's News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This has been a half term of both hard work and celebrations and the children have been fabulous. As we approach the half term break there is still much to do. I hope you have managed to view the wonderful photos of the Coronation picnic lunch the whole school had on Monday. Everyone dressed up for the occasion and the weather was kind enough for us to be able to lunch outside. The sun is promising to shine this weekend so I hope you are all able to enjoy it.

Wishing you all a restful weekend.

Ms Braithwaite

Y6 SATs

Without doubt, we are so proud of Y6 for their dedicated attention to completing their SATs. This year, the tests were challenging and our Y6 were well prepared and focused on completing them every morning. We have yet to hear the results but as far as we are concerned they are all shining examples of hard working role models who have done their very best. This week they started working towards their transition to secondary schools and Miss Campbell began her 'Live your Dreams' transition project with them.

Update on Y2 Class

Y2 parents and carers were informed this week about the teaching arrangements for Y2 for the rest of this academic year. Unfortunately, due to personal reasons, Mr Munip had to leave us and Mr McEleney will be teaching the children, assisted by Mr Taylor.

Packed Lunch

Despite the reminder in the last edition of our newsletter we are still noticing that some of the packed lunches children are bringing in are not healthy! Flavoured drinks have high sugar content as do biscuits. Pringles and crisps are often very high in salt. Please click into this link:

<https://www.st-marks.islington.sch.uk/news/healthy-packed-lunches/> to see a very good example of what a packed lunch should contain.

Sun Protection

The warm weather is on its way and brings with it the need for protection against the sun. Please ensure that you child has a sun hat, and has sun protection cream on at school. This should ideally be put on before they leave the house and can be re-applied at lunch time if parents and carers come in to apply it. The warm weather also brings out allergies for some children. If your child suffers with Hay-fever please give them child approved allergy medication before they come to school.

After School Club – Off Site 21st June

On Wednesday 21st June our after school club will be based at Duncombe Primary School for that evening only. Pick-up will be at Duncombe School which is at the other end of Sussex Way. This is due to a Deanery Schools Meeting being held at St Mark's which requires use of the hall and playground. We will send reminders via SchoolPing nearer to the date this is happening.

Great Big Live Assembly' on World Refugee Day,

It is a tragic fact that around the world today over 36.5 million children have been forced to flee their homes, owing to war, famine and terror, to seek safety in another country. In recognition of the refugee experience, the Sanctuary Foundation is convening a special national school assembly on World Refugee Day, Tuesday 20 June. There will be homework set over half term in preparation for the day.

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Psalm 119 Vs 105

St Mark's School Vision