

St Mark's News

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 was great to see so many happy children return to school last Wednesday and it has been lovely hearing all about their summer holidays! We hope your children are settling well into their new classes and you have all managed to meet their new teachers and see their classrooms during open door week.

Already, there is much planned for the year ahead, particularly in relation to providing fun, challenging and creative opportunities for your children. As ever, we need your support and input in all that we endeavour to provide. We therefore hope to see you in school as much as possible in your role as parents and partners in your child's education.

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch with us. Initially, you should speak with your child's teacher at the end of the day, or you can make an appointment to meet with, Deputy Headteacher (Mr McEleney) or myself via the office.

Wishing us all another wonderful year, working in partnership together. Ms Braithwaite

McMillan Coffee Morning

On Friday 22nd September, all children are invited to come to school wearing Green in support of this national fund raising event. Coffee will be on sale in the morning for parents and there will be a cake sale after school for everyone. Contributions are greatly appreciated. We hope to raise lots of money for this very important charity.

RAAC

You will have seen in the news recently that the government asked some schools to delay opening or partially close due to the type of concrete that was used in their construction. The concrete is called Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC), which is best described as a lightweight concrete. The news caused widespread concern and we understand that it may naturally lead to questions about the safety of our own school buildings.

St Mark's school has been surveyed and no RAAC has been found. This means that the building is fully safe and we are looking forward to an excellent term ahead in our safe and secure learning environment. check, or are willing to have one, please speak to your child's class teacher. We have lots of class visits planned and would like your help to deliver these safely. We are also keen to recruit a sports-mad volunteer to help us take children on sports trip. Should you be interested, please get in touch with us.

Parents to Lunch

Throughout the year we will be reinstating parents to lunch. This is the perfect time for you to sample a school lunch and see what your child is eating. Dates for each class will be sent out shortly.

Dates For Your Diary

Y6 Class Assembly	Tuesday 19th October
Y5 Class Assembly	Tuesday 26 th October
Y4 Class Assembly	Tuesday 3rd October
Y3 Class Assembly	Tuesday 10 th October
Y2 Class Assembly	Tuesday 17th October
Half term	Mon 23 rd -Fri 27 th October
Y1 Class Assembly	Tuesday 7th November
Parent consultations	Week of 6th November
End of term	Friday 22nd December -2pm

Psalm 119 Vs 105: Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.