



Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

# St Mark's News

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## Dear Parents and Carers,

It is with sadness that I write to inform you that our dear colleague, Karen, is currently unwell and will be away from school for the foreseeable future as she undergoes treatment.

Karen is a much-loved member of our school community, and her presence in the office is already deeply missed. During this time, we kindly ask for your patience and understanding as we manage the day-to-day operations without her. We are doing our very best to maintain the smooth running of the office and appreciate your support. If you would like to pass along any messages, cards, or well wishes for Karen, please feel free to do so via myself or Mr. McEleney, and we will ensure she receives them.

Wishing you all a restful weekend, and please do keep Karen in your thoughts and prayers for a full and speedy recovery.

Warm regards, Ms Braithwaite

## Friends of St. Mark's

**A heartfelt thank you to the Friends of St. Mark's for your tireless fundraising efforts, and to Yuikika for your outstanding leadership.** We are incredibly proud and grateful to announce that, thanks to your generosity, we have raised enough money to fully fund a brand-new sound system for the school hall. I'm sure you'll all agree this is a much-needed addition, and it will make a huge difference to assemblies, performances, and daily school life. We can't wait to hear our school music – and your children's voices – in glorious surround sound!

**P.S. Should you wish to be a part of this very important school community, please reach out to Yukika.**

## Year 6 SATS

**We are incredibly proud of the maturity and focus shown by Wisdom Class as they approached their SATs.** They tackled each day with resilience, determination, and a positive attitude that truly impressed us all. Their hard work and dedication are sure to shine through in their results, whatever

they may be. Well done, Wisdom Class – you've done yourselves and the whole school proud!

## Matilda!

**We're thrilled to announce that our new school show will be Matilda!** Mr Peacock, Mr Allinson, and Ms Riches were blown away by the talent and enthusiasm shown during auditions – it's clear we have some real stars in the making. We can't wait to see our pupils bring this magical story to life on stage. A huge thank you to parents for your continued support – it means so much to the children (and us)!

## Art at St. Mark's

**We've been absolutely blown away by the incredible artwork on display at St. Mark's.** The talent and creativity shown by our pupils is truly inspiring. We've also been amazed by the fantastic response to our art competitions – thank you to everyone who entered! We can't wait to announce the winners, and in the meantime, do check our website for some brilliant examples of the children's work.

## Book Fair

**Thank you so much for your fantastic support during our recent Book Fair.** Your enthusiasm and generosity helped create a real buzz around reading and raised valuable funds for new books for our school. It was wonderful to see so many children excited to explore and choose their own books. Your involvement truly makes a difference – thank you!

## ...Weekly Attendance Report...

	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Attendance	90%	96.3%	96.7%	93.8%	95.5%	95.4%
Lates	3.6%	2%	5.9%	3.4%	5.5%	2.1%

## ...Dates for your Diary...

23.05.2025	Half Term break
02.06.2025	INSET DAY
03.06.2025	Children return

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