



# St Mark's C E Primary School

8<sup>th</sup> March 2019

Newsletter No 23

## Recycle with Michael

Thank you for bringing in all your recyclable clothing. The Salvation Army picked up 106 bags, which was fantastic. Once they have been weighed we should get a few pennies back, whilst helping the environment ☺

## Have you had a DBS check through the school?

Did you know that it costs the school money each time we register a parent as a volunteer? There are a number of parents for whom we have completed the DBS check, but as of yet have not been into school to help.

So, please if you are able to come in and support the school please let the office know. We are particularly looking for reading help in KS2, this could be just 20 minutes at the end of the school day. As you will all be aware we are really pushing reading this year, it makes such a big difference.

## Comic Relief/Red Nose day

To support this great charity the children can come to school wearing red tops, please don't forget to bring in a financial contribution, it only needs to be £1. Lots of £1's added together can really make a difference in children's lives. Thank you.

## World Book Day

Thank you for dressing your children up so well for World Book a, they looked terrific, photos will appear next week. Thank you to Mrs Blake for organising the event so well.

## Staffing

We would like to Welcome Kim Sheppard to the teaching assistant team at the school ☺

## St Mark's Fest 11

The PTA's favourite covers band the38s are back at school on the 30th March 7.30 – 11.30pm. Tickets £10 available from the school office, please do come along and dance the night away.

## **Dates to remember**

(updated weekly, so do just check that nothing has changed!)

### March 2019

**13<sup>th</sup> (Weds) – EYFS drama workshop**

**14<sup>th</sup> (Thurs) Y3 Ancient Egypt day**

**15<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Comic Relief**

**19<sup>th</sup> (Tues) 3.15 – 4.15 EYFS Disco**

**20<sup>th</sup> (Weds) Y4 SE Water visit the school**

**21<sup>st</sup> (Thurs) 9.10 Year 5 class assembly**

**21<sup>st</sup> (Thurs) Y3 Ancient Egyptian Day**

**28<sup>th</sup> (Thurs) 9.10 EYFS Class Assembly**

**30<sup>th</sup> (Sat) PTA St Marks Fest11**

### April

**3<sup>rd</sup> (Weds) Yr 2 topic day parents from 2.45**

**4<sup>th</sup> (Thurs) 10 am Easter Service at St Mark's Church**

**5<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Last day of term**

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**23<sup>rd</sup> (Tues) Back to school**

**25<sup>th</sup> (Thurs) St Mark's Day**

**26<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Class Photos**

### May

**2<sup>nd</sup> (Thurs) Year 1 to Bromley's Environmental Education Centre**

**9<sup>th</sup> (Thurs) 9.10 Y3 class assembly**

**13<sup>th</sup> (Mon) SATS week**

**13<sup>th</sup> (Mon) 2pm Back to the Future music roadshow**

## *Reading*

Congratulations to all those children who moved up a planet this week ☺

**Neptune, Uranus, Saturn,  
Jupiter, Mars, Earth, Venus,  
Mercury**

**Aspire, Believe, Succeed**

## Netball News

After the winter break, the primary netball league matches resumed at SKA on Tuesday. The team were all very excited about taking part in the match and represented St Marks impeccably.

We only had one match in this round of fixtures and it was against Claremont A team.

Claremont won the first centre pass and were quick off the blocks scoring a run of 3 goals in quick succession.

Although a little surprised, St Marks responded well and upped their game in defence, Jeanne then scored a goal to make it 3-1.

St Marks continued to attack well and had a lot of the possession but we struggled to convert shots into goals. Eventually our efforts paid off, with Rebecca scoring in the second half. The game ended 8-2 to Claremont.

Well done to Aimee W who made her debut performance, and to Melissa for stepping in at the last minute to make a full team. Thank you to all the parents that supported us at the match. We look forward to our next run of matches in April.

## Attendance

Last week we asked for 100% and I am delighted to say that Y4 Dover achieved it. Congratulations 😊. Punctuality was awarded to year 3 Deal

Class	% Attendance 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb - 1 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Good Book Certificate Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March for.....		
EY Camber	94.7	Emily	... fantastic mathematical thinking	
EY Windsor	94.6	Trayton	... being an enthusiastic participant in Forest School	
Yr 1 Arundel	95.2	Niamh	... showing greater effort with English and Spelling	
Yr 1 Bodiam	95.5	Mihran	... great effort in reading	
Y2 Leeds	96.7	Alicja	... always smiling and trying best	
Y2 Pevensey	96.3			
Y3 Lewes	94.1	Summer	... her beautiful handwriting this week	
Y3 Deal	95.4	Bethany	... her enthusiasm towards Maths statistics	
Y4 Dover	100	Idthel	...always maintaining focus in her learning.	
Y4 Farnham	97.1	Brooke	... beautiful presentation in all subjects	
Y5 Hever	93	Jazmine and River	... a fantastic poetry performance	
Y5 Lullingstone	96.9	Daniel	... a brilliant kenning about a book	
Y6 Rochester	95.1	Abhinav	... his excellent exploration of how to use algebra to solve a worded problem.	
Whole School	95.4	Total for year 95.7.% to date (target 96%) 😞 😞 😞 <b>NOW BELOW TARGET</b>		

**The House cup was won by Jupiter this week**

## Writing Competition

Following on from recent successes across KS2, Mrs Bert has application forms for another writing competition. This time it is to write a diary entry as a celebrity, book character, singer, scientist, or whoever you like really!

Some children have already started working on their entries but if there are any other children wishing to take part, they can pop to Year 4 Dover Class during break times/ lunch times. Entries will need to be handed to Mrs Bert by the end of term as the closing date falls in the Easter holidays.

**Science Week**

Just a reminder that it is British Science Week next week. Children will be carrying out various fun experiments over the week as well as learning about famous scientists. If any children enjoy science learning at home, feel free to send in photos etc for your child to share in class.

Your sincerely

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