



St Mark's C E Primary School

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Newsletter No 28

Welcome back to Term 5, it's a short one in terms of days, but there are lots and lots of exciting activities going on throughout the term.

Thursday 2nd May – Local Elections

Just a reminder that as usual we are a polling station next week. We will be adopting the normal procedures that we have used over the past few years. The Nottidge Road entrance will be for the general public only. All children and parents must use the Main gate or Saunders road entrance. Playtime will be for all children will be on the junior playground. EYFS children will be released at the end of the day from the doors at the front of the school.

School Tie

Thank you to all of you whose child entered the school tie design competition. I am pleased to say that we have a winner, Keira. Congratulations your winning tie has now been made up by our Eco tie supplier and there is a display up in the KS2 corridor showing some of the fabulous designs that we received.



Dates to remember

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

26th (Fri) Class Photos

30th (Tues) St Mark's Day

May

1st (Weds) Yr4 Viking Day

2nd 9Thurs) Polling Day

2nd (Thurs) Year 1 to Bromley's Environmental Education Centre

3rd (Fri) RSPCA talks

9th (Thurs) 9.10 Y3 class assembly

9th (Thurs) 2.45 Yr1 Phonics session

13th (Mon) SATS week

13th (Mon) 2pm Bach to the Future music roadshow

17th (Fri) Yr2 topic day – Nocturnal animals, parents 2.45pm

22nd (weds) Yr1 Amazing Animal World Talk

22nd (Weds) Yr 5 PESE and SRE (sex ed) Talk 3.15pm

23rd (Thurs) Last day of term

June

4th (Tues) Back to School

5th – 7th (Wed – Fri) Enterprise

Challenge a group of yr5 children

12th (Wed) Yr4 Chatham Dockyard

14th (Fri) Yr 6 Rochester Cathedral

15th (Sat) PTA Summer Fayre

27th (Thurs) New parents meetings for EYFS Sept 19

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 Report

The team enjoyed the new warmer temperatures as they completed two more fixtures in the Tunbridge Wells Netball 7s A league!

Their first match was against Langton Green. St Mark's got off to a great start and it wasn't long before we took the lead when Rebecca scored our first goal of the evening.

Daria and Sophia managed to stave off several waves of attack from the opposition and it wasn't long before Rebecca scored our second goal. At half time the score was level at 2-2.



Langton Green brought on two subs at half time which strengthened their attack, and although Rebecca and Sofia worked their socks off in defence, the game finished 3-6 to Langton Green.

Our second match was against Paddock Wood A team. This team was quick, tall in defence and accurate in attack. Although our team gave 100% effort and showed true resilience we struggled to break through their defence until the last minute of the game when Rebecca scored again.

The game finished 7-1 to Paddock Wood A. The team played some brilliant netball during the evening, demonstrating the progress they have made since the start of the season. Well done to Aimee and Valentina who made their debut appearances, not many teams field year 5 players, you both did so well. Also thank you to all the parents who supported the team, we couldn't do it without you!

St Mark's Day Tuesday 30th May

On Tuesday we will be celebrating our Saints day. Children will be involved in a range of art activities linked to St Mark and the school during the school day. We hope that they enjoy the day.

PTA Summer Fayre

It's time to start talking summer fayre...

Just to remind everyone it is Sat 15th June (time to be confirmed, but most likely 12 – 3pm), not the 8th that is on calendars this gives more time after half term to organise thing's, and doesn't coincide with the Queens birthday....

A few dates for donations are needed for various stalls. Dates and details are as follows:

Fri 10th May, good quality second hand toys for the toy tombola

Fri 17th May Rainbow hampers. We make these up from donations people are able to bring in. Each year will be given a colour for the Hamper and they are won via a raffle /tombola stall at the fair. There will also be a prize for the best year hamper. Colour details to follow.

Fri 7th June bottles for the bottle tombola

Fri 14th June cake donations for the cake stand

Items will be collected in the playground on the nominated day at drop off.

Parking

Sadly, this problem is already raising its head in week one, particularly on Saunders Road. I can only ask as I have before that **Parents do not park in such a manner that you are endangering other children and pedestrians, which includes parking on the verges..** Thank you.

Attendance

Congratulations to Bodiam, for topping the Attendance table at the end of last term with 99.2%, and our most punctual class Year 5 Hever. 😊

Class	% Attendance Apr 1 st – 5th	Good Book Certificate Friday 26th April for.....	
EY Camber	85	Dylan	Having an amazing imagination and super ideas in role play for model building.
EY Windsor	87.2	Robin	Trying hard with his sentence writing.
Yr 1 Arundel	95.3	Tristan	Excellent throwing and catching skills and team work.
Yr 1 Bodiam	99.2	Khadeejah	Great work on Topic day.
Y2 Leeds	89.7	Estfano	Being a super addition to the class.
Y2 Pevensey	96.7	Isabella	Always being up for a challenge.
Y3 Lewes	98.3	Moksha	Working hard and making Miss Goodwin feel so welcome.
Y3 Deal	86.1	Riley	His focus and positive attitude in school this week.
Y4 Dover	94.5	Ben	Writing a super letter in response to a text.
Y4 Farnham	97	Emran	Settling in so well to Farnham Class.
Y5 Hever	84.3	Sueven	His excellent progress with his writing.
Y5 Lullingstone	92.5	Mia	Amazing reading homework over the Easter break.
Y6 Rochester	93.4	Ben	An outstanding effort in our boxing lesson.
Whole School	92.4	Total for year 95.6% to date (target 96%) 😞 😞 😞 NOW BELOW TARGET	



The House cup was won by Saturn this week

Your sincerely

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