



# St Mark's C E Primary School

## 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024

### Newsletter No 23

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### Year 2 Wakehurst Place Trip

The children in Year 2 had a fabulous, if a little wet, trip to Wakehurst Place on Tuesday. They took part in three workshops. The first was a sensory walk around the gardens. The children, identified their 5 senses and used these, with the exception of taste, to explore the plants in the Winter Garden and Cascading Water Pool Garden. We found plants of every colour of the rainbow, felt the protective cover of a Magnolia bud and the bark of different trees. Our second workshop, let us explore the parts of the plant and investigate where different foods can be found on a plant. Did you know a sprout is bud and a carrot is a root? Our final activity, was a transient art workshop. The children used natural resources to create their own pieces of art, working in a group and sharing materials. Have a look at the pictures to see our masterpieces. We are proud of the way Year 2 behaved on the trip, the staff at Wakehurst said they were a credit to us. Even though it rained all day and we were very wet, nobody moaned. Well done Year 2.



Dates to remember  
Added dates in yellow

#### Term 4

##### March

11<sup>th</sup> (Mon) Boy's football team away to St Matthews  
11<sup>th</sup> (Mon) PTA Film Night: Y5 Y6  
12<sup>th</sup> (Tue) Science Visits  
13<sup>th</sup> (Wed) EYs Vision and Hearing Check  
13<sup>th</sup> (Wed) EYs, Y1 and Y2 Phonics Workshop 4:30 pm via Teams  
15<sup>th</sup> (Fri) Red Nose Day  
18<sup>th</sup> (Mon) Y6 to St Mark's Church for Easter Experience  
19<sup>th</sup> (Tue) Y2 Leeds Sharing Assembly 9:15 am  
20<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Y4 Roman Workshop  
21<sup>st</sup> (Thurs) Y1 Arundel Sharing Assembly 9:15 am  
23<sup>rd</sup> (Sat) Litter Pick 2pm  
22<sup>nd</sup> (Fri) Parent Rep Meeting 9am  
22<sup>nd</sup> (Fri) EYs Ugly Bug dress up  
25<sup>th</sup> (Mon) Easter Church Service  
27<sup>th</sup> (Wed) Last day of term  
28<sup>th</sup> (Thurs) Inset Day

##### April

2<sup>nd</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Mega Camps at St Mark's

#### Term 5

15<sup>th</sup> (Mon) Term 5 starts

Term Dates etc are on our website  
[www.st-marks.kent.sch.uk](http://www.st-marks.kent.sch.uk)



**Aspire, Believe, Succeed**



### **World Book Day**

It was lovely to see the children dressed in their favourite book characters on Thursday! Many thanks to parents, carers and teachers to make this happen! Here are a selection of photos from the day.



### **St Mark's Community Larder**

This week any donations of coffee, legumes, soup or cereals would be gratefully received. Please drop them into the school office.

Many thanks for your support.



### **Easter Church**

Our Easter Church morning service is on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March. Please speak to your child's class teacher if you are able to help to walk the children to and from St Mark's Church. Thank you.



### Children's Centres

Please see below for information regarding Kent Children's Centre. This link will be updated each week.

[Please CLICK this link to see this week's SWAY](#) showing you everything that's going on in our Children's Centres and within the local community along with lots of useful information for yourself and your family

### Head's Heroes, Attendance and Punctuality

On Fridays we celebrate children for their effort and achievements throughout the week:

Extra playtime goes to:

<b>Attendance:</b> EY Camber
<b>Punctuality:</b> Y4 Farnham
<b>This week's Attendance:</b> 94.74% 😊

### **This week the Head's Heroes are:**

EYFS Camber	Imogen	For encouraging learning in our classroom when sharing her knowledge of St David's Day!
EYFS Windsor	Romi	For working hard on her rhythm and timing when exploring instruments this week!
Y1 Arundel	Sidney	For his super reasoning and being able to talk about his thinking and learning process. 😊
Y1 Bodiam	Alexander	For very good behaviour during World Book Day.
Y2 Leeds	Leeds	For outstanding behaviour and participation on our trip despite getting absolutely soaked!
Y2 Pevensey	Abdul	For his conscious effort to make the right choices and taking pride in his work
Y3 Lewes	Mantra	For showing great motivation and independence in his learning
Y3 Deal	Tyler	For showing us his moves and grooves during our music lesson!
Y4 Dover	Martin	For his fantastic effort with his handwriting this week. Well done!
Y4 Farnham	Felix	For showing great sportsmanship and supporting his peers in
Y5 Hever	Abigail	For always showing kindness and friendship to those around her
Y5 Lullingstone	Isaac	For reaching 500 housepoints! A huge achievement. Well done!
Y6 Oxford	Elise	For really focusing on her reading paper and maturing as a learner
Y6 Rochester	Esmee	For creating a beautiful Blitz presentation
Nurture Group	Lucia	For persevering with a task in Nurture Group

**Congratulations to each and every one of you J**

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Bird  
Headteacher