



14TH JUNE 2019

ST MARK'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parent/Carers,

Welcome back to the final half term of this academic year. I hope you all had a lovely break.

This half term will be a busy one with lots of events taking place.

On the reverse of this letter you will find a list of forthcoming dates for your diary which we hope you will find useful. This list is not exhaustive and further dates will be added throughout the term.

Health & Safety.

As part of our Health & Safety commitment, staff will not be available to speak to parents or carers other than at the beginning or end of the school day. They will not be available once the school day has begun. A member of the Senior Management Team will be happy to speak to you. Once a child has left school for the day, if a parent or carer has something they wish to discuss this will need to be discussed the following day. Telephone queries, before and after school will be dealt with whilst staff are available.

Uniform/School Shoes.

I have noticed recently that some children are coming into school wearing their yellow PE shirts. Can I remind parents that the yellow polo shirts should be worn for PE only. Children are expected to wear either a white polo shirt or white cotton shirt as part of their school uniform. **I have also noticed a growing number of children wearing trainers in school. These should be worn for PE only.** Appropriate black/brown school shoes not boots, should be worn in line with our school policy. Your support in this matter is appreciated.

PE KIT Unfortunately there are still a number of children who are not bringing their PE Kit into school each week. Parents are reminded that PE is part of the school curriculum and therefore all children must take part. Kits **MUST** be brought in each Monday morning and remain in school until Friday when they should be taken home for washing. Parents will be contacted and asked to bring in any PE kits not in school for lessons.

Transition Meeting for Reception Class Parents.

Our Reception class parents are invited to attend a meeting on Wednesday 3rd July at 2.30pm regarding your child moving into Year 1. This will give you an opportunity to meet Mr. Potter, our year 1 class teacher who will be happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have. Please try and come along.

Reception Class Liturgy.

Reception Parents/Carers are invited to attend a class liturgy on Thursday 4th July, this will begin at 9am. We look forward to seeing you there.

Attendance.

Please remember if your child is sick and unable to attend school, please telephone the office on the first day of absence. Until we have a reason why your child is not in school **they will be given an unauthorised mark.**

We are working closely alongside our new Education Welfare Officer.

Holiday Requests. Holiday Requests cannot be authorised by Mrs Miller. The local authority are encouraging schools to take legal action against parents who regularly take unauthorised holidays.

Year 6 Leavers Assembly.

Parents and carers of our year 6 children are invited to come along to our leaver's service on **Wednesday 17th July at 2pm.**

We look forward to seeing you then.

Hair Styles

Please can you ensure that your child has their hair cut in accordance with our school policy, if your child has long hair please make sure it is tied up before school. Thank you for your support in this matter.

After School Clubs.

Our after school clubs will continue to run as normal until further notice.

Please note that Year 1 Art club has now finished.

Emergency contact numbers.

Please can you ensure that the office has up to date contact details, especially when mobile phones are changed.

Please can you check your telephone regularly in case of emergency.

Too Early !! A number of children are still coming into school before doors open at 8.40am. **For health and safety reasons can I remind parents that children should not be left unsupervised on the school yard before 8.40am.**

Hawkthorn Residential Trip - September 2019

A reminder that the final payment for the trip to Kielder in September is due to be paid by this Friday.

If you have not paid this final payment please speak to the school office. Thank you.

Sports day/Fun afternoon Tuesday 16th July.

Parents, carers and friends are invited to come along in the morning to support our children.

Our 'fun afternoon' will begin after registration at 1.30pm. We plan to have a number of stalls details are as follows;

Tombola; Donations needed of unwanted gifts anything which would be suitable for a small tombola. All items must be new or in excellent condition.

Bottle Stall; Bottles of any description may be sent into school, wine, beer, shampoo pop, etc

Cake stall I know that many of our parents/carers are fantastic cooks, we would appreciate donations of homemade or bought cakes for our stall. These should be sent into school nearer the time.

There will also be a variety of games taking place.

Tea, coffee and refreshments will be served.

Our next newsletter will be on Wednesday 28th June 2019.

Yours sincerely Mrs Miller.