

St Mark's News

Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a week we have had at St Mark's! I personally want to thank our wonderful children, staff and parent/carer community for all their support whilst the school was being inspected. Our children really did shine and are a credit to their parents and carers, as well as the school. We now await the conclusion of the Inspection, which I will hopefully be able to share with you all soon after the beginning of our summer term. In the meantime, we shall continue ensure that all of our children are safe, focused on their learning and happy at this fabulous school. Wishing you a wonderful weekend. Ms Braithwaite

Y6 return safe and sound from Osmington Bay

It was lovely to welcome back our Y6 children and staff who were on school journey last week. They had a fantastic week away and returned looking tired but happy. Having spoken to a few of them, we are assured that they had the best week ever! We now look forward to the Assembly when they will share some of their experiences with the other children. Well done Y6!

New Parent Governor

We are very pleased to announce that we have a new parent governor to join the St Mark's Governing Board. Ms S Tilki, whose child is in Y2, will be representing our parents and carers at Governor Meetings going forward. We wish her well in this new venture. Thank you to all the parents and carers who applied for the post.

Free School Meals

This is a reminder that the on-line application to apply for the free meal your child has at school must be completed for every child. Siblings are not added automatically so please ensure you have applied for each child. Please follow the link here to register if you haven't already done so.

https://www.islington.gov.uk/children-and-families/helpwith-childcare-and-family-costs/free-school-meals-anduniform-grant

Comic Relief – Red Nose Day

It was nice to see the children taking part in Red Nose Day by wearing Red today. Your support for this Charity is very much appreciated. The amount raised will be announced in the next newsletter.

The Democratic Decision!

Votes have been counted and the results are in. Every child and adult at the school cast their vote and we are pleased to announce that the new category for our house teams is

> *Gemstones*. Red becomes Ruby Green becomes Emerald Blue becomes Sapphire Yellow becomes Topaz

World Book Day Celebration – Thursday 27th March

We are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 27th March and would love the children to come to school dressed as their favourite character from a book. There will be lots of exciting things happening throughout the day relating to books and reading, including a dress up parade during assembly.

Weekly Attendance Report...

	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Attendance	93.6%	99%	97.8%	95.4%	94.5%	91.8%
Lates	3.9%	1%	3%	3.6%	9.1%	2.1%

Dates for your Diary

27.03.2025	Y2 Parents to Lunch
27.03.2025	St Mark's celebrates World Book Day
04.04.2025	End of Term (school finishes at 2pm)
22.04.2025	Children return for the start of Summer Term

Please follow this link to access our webpage School News

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