

St. Mark's C.E. Primary

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all well. In saying hello to the summer we enter into another busy, but no doubt fun, term ahead.

Uniform

A quick reminder concerning school uniform.....

<http://www.stmarksce.co.uk/index2.php?p=3.1>

The school also requests children do not have extreme haircuts including Mohawk cuts, patterns shaved into the hair and excessive use of hair products.

Nail varnish or make up are not permitted in school. We fully appreciate children may have worn them for occasions over the weekend or a weekday evening but can we please ask they be removed before coming to school.

In the interest of safety no bracelets or bands are to be worn in school.

Sickness

Can we ask that when you telephone school to inform the office of sickness you also indicate what the symptoms are please. This will allow us to monitor any potential outbreaks of sickness within a class or year group and also enable us to advise you on the period of absence required in line with Health Protection Agency Guidelines.

Summer is here....for now

As we all embrace(d) the sun in the sky can we ask that on hot days you ensure your children are suitably prepared in school. This includes, *should they wish*, bringing a water bottle which they can fill up at our drinking fountains, a hat (with name on please) and also having sun cream applied before school so as to avoid your child having to bring in sun cream and risk it spilling in their bag.

PTA

Our PTA are working hard in preparation for their upcoming summer events. They include the EYFS Disco on Monday 13th June and also the eagerly anticipated Summer Festival on Saturday 9th July. Further information on both will follow.

Parent Council

Our parent council have also been busy working on ways to make the school run less stressful. One idea is the introduction of a walking bus system. The council have put together a survey to gather your feedback on this matter. Details with the survey link have been emailed out to all parents. We look forward to hearing your thoughts. In addition the parent council are still actively seeking class reps for Year 3/4 and Year 6. If you are interested in getting involved and have a child within either of these classes please see Mrs. Mansfield.

Key Stage 2 Playground gate

Could we also ask that all parents/carers ensure the Key Stage 2 (Junior) playground gate is shut after they enter/leave at **any point** during the school day. The gate is there to safeguard the school community throughout the day and whilst we recognise it is often left open for those following on can we ask for your help in resolving the problem.

Parking

As ever can I thank all of the parents/carers who continue to park with consideration for both the school family and the surrounding community. Your support in this matter is appreciated. To those who sadly still choose to obstruct **any part of** resident's driveways and park without due care can I make you aware that civil enforcement officers will be patrolling at drop off and pick up. Furthermore Salford West GMP Neighbourhood team now monitors complaints from residents directly.

Worsley Woods

In reaching out to help our local community we have recently been in discussion with Worsley Woods Action Group. They intend to apply for a grant to improve the footpath through Worsley Woods alongside the motorway towards St Mark's. Another of the group's aims is to refurbish the pond in the woods close to school. They are keen to collect your views in order to support their bid so could I ask you be on the lookout for the questionnaire making its way to you in the next week or so. Like Roe Green Park, who we have recently supported, it's a place that has been used by generations of St Mark's families and I hope you join us in supporting their work.

School Website

www.stmarksce.co.uk

Please do visit our school website to gain information and find out what is going on in school. We are now regularly updating with news, individual class curriculum notes, letters and policies. In addition to our website don't forget our school Twitter account. Should you wish to follow us you will find us at [@stmarkmywords](https://twitter.com/stmarkmywords) or you can click on the link via the school website.

Upcoming dates for your diary

16/05/16 KS1 SATs week

23/05/16 Nursery, Reception and Year 6 Class Photographs

23/05/16 Book Fair

13/06/16 KS1 Phonics test week

13/06/16 EYFS(Nursery/Reception) Disco

22/06/16 EYFS Sports Day 2pm

24/06/16 KS2 Sports Day 2pm

27/06/16 Nursery Induction 6pm

29/06/16 KS1 Sports Day 2pm

01/07/16 Y6 Hothersall Lodge

04/07/16 Reception Induction 6pm

09/07/16 Summer Festival 1-4pm

12/07/16 Year 6 Leavers meal @ ISIS Swinton 6-8pm

13/07/16 Year 6 play 6pm

Many thanks.

Mr. D Kay