

# ST MARK'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2019

EYFS includes Nursery and Reception Classes  
Key Stage 1 (KS1) includes Year 1 and Year 2  
Lower Key Stage 2 (LKS2) includes Years 3 and 4  
Upper Key Stage 2 (UKS2) includes Years 5 and 6

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**Year 2** Warburtons will visit Year 2 classes on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January

**Year 3** The Stone Age Workshop will take place in school on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January. Contributions towards the cost would be appreciated via your ParentPay account.

**Head Lice** has been found in the hair of some pupils. Please check your child's hair thoroughly and treat if necessary. Thank you.

## Purple Pinkie Assembly

Members of the Rotary Club will visit school on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January to speak to pupils in Year 1 – Year 6 about their fundraising to eliminate polio worldwide. They will return to school on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> January when children will be invited to put a contribution of £1 in the Purple Pinkie bucket and the Rotary Team will paint the tip of their "pinkie" (little finger) with a food colouring as a symbol of one child's immunisation from polio. We hope this will help pupils think about the valuable contribution they have made, saving the life of another child.

**Letters will be sent home on Monday and if you wish for your child to participate in this worthy project, please complete and return the consent form no later than Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January. The paint will only be applied to children who have returned the consent form by Wednesday.**

## Year 1 Dog Smart Workshop

We have arranged for the Dogs Trust Team to visit our Year 1 children on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January. The Be Dog Smart campaign helps children to understand more about how to behave around dogs in order to keep themselves safe. The Team will demonstrate how to stroke a dog safely and how to identify situations when it is not safe to stroke a dog. Further information can be found on their website: [www.learnwithdogstrust.org.uk](http://www.learnwithdogstrust.org.uk) If you have any queries, please speak to your child's teacher.

## Photographs

The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> February to take pupils' photographs. On this occasion, he will take individual and sibling group photographs (siblings in school only). Proofs of each photograph will be sent home with your child, however you are under no obligation to buy the photograph.

## Diary Date for Parents/Carers of Cross Country Team

Congratulations to our cross country team who won several individual medals and the overall team trophy for both the boys and girls teams! Parents/carers are welcome to join us at our presentation assembly at 9.15am on **Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March**. Further information will be sent via email.

**Flu Vaccinations** Following the recent flu immunisation offered to pupils in Reception – Year 5, the Intrahealth Team have asked us to forward the following messages:

"Parents, please could you take part the following survey to rate the flu programme in schools,

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/YDHRX25>

If your child did not receive a flu immunisation and you wish to arrange their immunisation now, please contact Intrahealth's team for advice. Tel: 0333 358 3397 or email [contactimms@intrahealth.co.uk](mailto:contactimms@intrahealth.co.uk)

## Inclement Weather Plan

Should the local area be affected by snow, every effort will be made to keep the school open. However, if this is not possible a text message will be sent and updates will be posted on the school website ticker tape, our twitter account and on Salford Council's website (<https://www.salford.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-closures>). Local radio stations Hits Radio, Capital Radio and BBC Manchester will also announce any closures.

**PTA Charity Ball: Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2019** Places are still available at our Charity Ball at Worsley Park Marriott, Hotel & Country Club. All monies raised at this event will go towards the amazing children's cancer unit, 'Ward 84', at The Royal Manchester Children's Hospital and St Mark's School PTA. Each table can seat up to 10 people. Tickets are £45 per person and can be booked using the ticket application form on our website ([stmarksce.co.uk/parents\\_area/PTA](http://stmarksce.co.uk/parents_area/PTA)). Please ensure that all members of your party have confirmed their menu choices before you submit the completed application, with a cheque for the value of the number of tickets requested, to the School Reception.

**We would also appreciate donations for our silent auction**, which was huge part of the night in 2018 & our main fundraiser. Please contact Lucy Kay on 07968 409063 / [lucy.kay@global.com](mailto:lucy.kay@global.com) if you are able to help. Please be aware that **sponsorship opportunities** for the Ball are available. If your business is interested in supporting us further, please get in touch for bespoke packages ([lisavandamms@googlemail.com](mailto:lisavandamms@googlemail.com)). Thank you.