ST MARK'S CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Thursday 31st 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 School Website: stmarksce.co.uk

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OFSTED

Can we thank all the parents/carers who took the time to complete the OFSTED Parent View questionnaire on Monday. As a school we were delighted to receive such positive feedback. In addition we would like to thank and also heap praise on the children of St Mark's who were superstars throughout the whole inspection!

Photographs

The photographer will be in school on Tuesday 5th 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.

SEN Parental Support Workshop and Coffee Morning

Parents/Carers are invited to an informal workshop for parents/carers about Special Educational Needs provision here at St Mark's next Wednesday 6th February at 9.00am. The workshop will last about an hour and is open to everyone, not just for those with children on the SEN register.

We hope the morning will be a chance for you to find out how we can best support children with different needs here in our school. Yad Campbell, our Educational Psychologist, will come and explain about the role he fulfils. Aimee Follows from the Autism and Communication team will also talk about how the Learning Support Service can help too. Each will give a short presentation but throughout the workshop there will be plenty of time for any questions you may have and for a tea/coffee too.

If there are any particular areas you would like us to cover during the morning please let me know beforehand and then we can make this as useful a session as possible. If you could let school know if you are interested in attending that would be really helpful.

ParentPay Account Payments

When making payments via ParentPay, please remember to move the payment item to your basket and then select your preferred payment method. Allocating money to your ParentPay account will not automatically pay for the item. If you have recently made a payment, you may wish to check that your payment has been allocated correctly. Thank you.

Time Traveller Visit to Year 2 on 13th

February. Consent and contributions can be given via ParentPay by tomorrow.

Year 3 Swimming Lessons will commence on Wednesday 13th February. A one-off transport contribution of £20 can be made via ParentPay

McLellands Uniform

Following concerns from some parents, we have been reassured by McLellands that their website is secure for online payments. Card processing is handled by First Data Systems, one of the leading payment processing companies.

Coats, bags, etc

Please can you ensure that your child has all items needed for their school day when they arrive at school in the morning, such as their schoolbag, coat, after school kit, PE kit, etc. Thank you for your co-operation.

Cereal Boxes for Year 1

Year 1 are collecting <u>empty</u> cereal box sized cardboard boxes to build our own Pudding Lane. Please send any empty boxes into school by Monday 4th February.

Head Lice

More cases of headlice have been reported in school. Please can we ask all parents to please check their child's hair tonight and treat if necessary.

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**th **March**. Further information will be sent via email.