



St. Mark's C. E. (A) Primary

Friday 17TH June 2016

Message from Mrs Johnstone

Dear Parents and Carers

It is good to report that all of the Y6 children who visited Shugborough Outdoor Activity Centre arrived back safe and sound. They all had an absolutely fabulous three days and tried lots of new experiences. I was lucky enough to be able to visit them for the day and I was proud of each and every one of them. Their behaviour throughout their stay was impeccable and this was commented on by the instructors. Well done Year 6 - You are brilliant ambassadors for St Mark's! Thanks must go to all of the staff who took the children and made the visit possible.

The Year 1 children have completed their Phonics Screen and we await the publication of the pass mark. All of the children tried their very best and we have really noticed a positive impact following the introduction of Read, Write, Inc.

The children all looked fabulous dressed in their red, white and blue clothes last Friday as we celebrated the Queen's 90th Birthday.

The teachers have all been busy writing the children's end of year reports. These will be sent out to you on Friday 1st July. If you wish to discuss your child's report with their class teacher then please speak to them at the end of the school day to arrange a convenient time.

Our Attendance for the year is 95.02% for the year. We really need to get this figure to 96%. Several parents have been in recently to request holidays. This has a detrimental effect on your child's education as every second counts towards their learning. Please can I ask that holidays are taken during the school holidays.

Thank you for your continued support

Michelle Johnstone



Crochet Club

One of our mums is currently raising money for the Children's Ward, Cheethams, at the Royal Stoke University Hospital through crocheting butterflies to sell. Funds raised will be used to buy cardiac equipment that will help to provide doctors with the entire essentials to save vulnerable children's lives. If you are a mum, a dad or a grandparent and have time on your hands and would like to help out or just learn a new skill we will be holding a Crocheting Club every Friday from 24th June at 1.30 pm. All of the equipment will be provided in school. The class will be taught by Lynne Smith and Sandy Pemberton who are professionals in the field of crocheting.

Merit Awards



Well done to all the children who have received golden jumpers and merit awards over the last two weeks: **Friday 10th May** - Hooriya Waqar, Aminah Ditta, Mubin Mohammed, Johan Mica, Sana Jameel, Asmaa Khalil, Mia Beardmore, Vanesa Holubova, Abdullah Khan, Miroslav Zachar, Mohammed Abouebaida, Sabba Hussain. **Friday 17th May** - Safa Nuri, Ismail Ellahi, Kamran Shahid, Hanaw Twana, Azan Massod, Simrah Hussain, Shahid Ullah, Alayna Ali, Arian Nuri, Aniq Yasin, Laiba Shazad, Aliya Chowdhury, Uzair Rasool, Saif Mehmood. **Winners of the £10.00 vouchers for 100% Attendance for the first half of Summer term were:-** Reception - Amima Tahora RN, Year 1 - Rehaan Mahmood 1T, Year 2 - Muhammad-Zayan Khan 2G, Year 3 - Shahid Ullah 3B, Year 4 - Mofasir Hussain 4W, Year 5 - Muhammad Anas 5P, Year 6 - Mariam Ahmed 6K.



Shugborough Visit by Y6



The children took part in a range of exciting activities including archery, BMX riding, blindfold trail, shelter building and climbing. They all had a fantastic time and their behaviour was impeccable. Well done year 6!

Parking Outside School

Please take note of the new signs around the outside of the school railings regarding parking safely. Parking is especially limited in Lawrence Street as many staff are having to park there due to building work going on in the school carpark.

Dates for the Diary

Thursday 23rd June - School Closed for EU voting
Tuesday 28th June - Songbirds Concert, Victoria Hall 18.45pm
Friday 1st July - School Reports to parents