



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

Friday 21st July 2017

Message from Mrs Johnstone and Mr Nicholls

Dear Parents/Carers

We can't believe that this is the last week of the academic year and the summer holidays are once again upon us. It has been a fantastic year at St Mark's and we have had much to celebrate. Everyone has worked extremely hard and there have been so many successes, particularly retaining our status as a 'good' school during our OFSTED inspection.

There has been a lot of things happening around school over the last two weeks. On Tuesday 11th July, we held our 'Messy Summer' event after school. The children had a wonderful time making stained glass windows, fish collages and playing games. We were really pleased with the number of families that attended and would like to thank you for your support.

We held a fitness event on the 12th July in the school hall with ASM Sports. This was a huge success and all of the children had a fabulous time participating in lots of different fitness activities. We really do have some fit and healthy children. We look forward to holding another one in the autumn term.

All of the children throughout the school have now completed their ESB examinations and we have been astounded by their results which have been well beyond our initial expectations! The examiners have said that they cannot believe that this is the first year doing the examinations and that other schools should come and visit us to show how it should be done. We are extremely proud of all of the children.

Last Thursday, ten children from Year 5 went to Keele University with other children from our Seven Stars Network. They had a fantastic day completing three different workshops. In the afternoon, they had the opportunity to tour the campus and understand why people go to university. They also managed to see some of the students graduate and this has certainly inspired the children to raise their aspirations for the future.

Well done to all the children who received awards at our annual prize giving, we are particularly pleased with the number of children who achieved outstanding attendance awards. This shows how well we have done this year with our whole school attendance and this must continue next year. We also say goodbye to our Year 6 children who go off to ventures new at high school. You have been ambassadors for our school and we will miss you all greatly. Good luck at high school and we look forward to hearing positive things about you in the future.

We say goodbye to Mr Bradbury today as he retires to travel his way around Europe. We also say goodbye to Miss Pollock who moves on to another school in September and also Mrs Burton who awaits the arrival of baby Burton! We wish them all well.

We hope everyone has an enjoyable but safe holiday. Please take care when you are out and about. We look forward to seeing you all in September.



Merit Awards



Well done to all the children who have received golden jumpers and merit awards. The awards for week ending 14th July 2017 went to:- Rima Anjabin, Vaniyah Khan, Fatima Rizwan & Silvia Ignathova, Sebtain Husaini, Daniah Kareem, Junaid Karchut & Johan Mica, Faizaan Gulfraz, Alishah Ahmad, Jibraeel Ali, Mohammed Haris, Elizabeth Jackson & Dawood Shah, Safaa Mehmood, Klara Pestova and Petr Krsko

Well done to you all!



Half Termly 100% Attendance Raffle Winners of £10 Gift Card

Reception - Iram Shahid,
Y1 - Aminah Ditta,
Y2 - Zainab Khurram,
Y3 - Haseeb Hameed,
Y4 - Mert Kara,
Y5 - Ashton Gallimore,
Y6 - Khansa Mushtaq



100% All Year Attendance Raffle Winners of £50 Voucher

KS1 Winner is Kamran Shahid

KS2 winner is Hamza Hussain



Dates for the Diary



We look forward to welcoming all our children back to school on **Tuesday 5th September at 8.30am**

Have a safe and enjoyable summer break!