



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

Friday 9th March 2018

Message from Mrs Johnstone and Mr Nicholls

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we have already been back in school for two weeks and it certainly has been a hectic couple of weeks, especially due to the weather.

Last week, Year 1 teachers held a meeting for parents about the Year 1 phonics check that will take place during week beginning 11th June. This was an opportunity for parents to learn more information about the phonics check, what it entails and how it will be delivered. Thank you to all of the parents that attended.

On Friday 2nd March it was World Book Day in school and all of the children looked fantastic in their costumes. Everyone had made a fantastic effort to dress up and winners were announced in assembly last Monday. We apologise again for having to shut the school early on Friday but due to a burst water pipe, it meant that we had no toilet or washing facilities for key stage 2. Thank you for your promptness in collecting your children - it was very much appreciated.

On Monday 5th March, Year 6 went to Forest Park Primary School and Werrington Primary School for a 'Wellbeing Day'. They had an absolutely fantastic time learning about the importance of good health and wellbeing. The children took part in a number of different workshops such as: yoga, mindfulness, food tasting and a talk from Andy Cope - who is a children's author and happiness researcher. This event was also covered on BBC Midlands Today and we will be adding photos and the news clip to our website very soon.

We have also had our termly visit from our School Improvement Partner Mrs Tarpey. She is extremely pleased with the progress the children are making in school and looks forward to visiting us again in the summer term.

On Tuesday 6th March, we held our termly breakfast morning, which once again was a huge success. All of the children enjoyed having breakfast either with their parents, guardian or friends. We made £155.10 profit which will be going to charity. Well done everyone. We also had our Mother's Day stall this Wednesday, where children got the opportunity to buy presents for their mums. We must say a very big thank you to Mrs Marsden who organised both of these events and without her help and support these events would not take place.

Children from the after school dance club participated in the dance extravaganza, 'Breaking News', on Thursday night at the Victoria Hall. They put on an amazing performance! Well done to all the children who took part and worked so hard practicing for the show.

This Friday, children from Year 5 attended the R.E. Respect for All conference at the Bridge Centre. The children had a wonderful time widening their understanding of different faiths.

We have only had a small number of children confirm that they wish to go to the Year 6 residential trip at Shugborough in June. We are very disappointed with the response and were hopeful that all of the children would be taking part. It is such an important experience for all children and they will never have this opportunity again. We will be holding another meeting for parents in the oncoming weeks about the trip and would like to meet with those parents who don't want their child to attend to discuss your concerns.

As always, thank you for your continued support.



Merit Awards



Well done to all the children who have received golden jumpers and merit awards.
We are really proud of your hard work and kindness, keep it up!

Week ending 2nd March - Class RH Adam H, Class RN Mason, Class 1E Azaan, Class 1H Ahamad, Class 2C Rameeza, Class 2G Ayaan, Class 3E Ibrahim, Class 3W Shyah, Class 4C Asmaa, Class 4J Umme H, Class 5C Bailey, Class 5J Mohammed, Class 6B Farah, Class 6K Ifran

Week ending 9th March - Class RH Mohanat, Class RN Katie, Class 1E Ayah, Class 1H Yahya, Class 2C Ammar, Class 2G Ammara, Class 3E Hena, Class 3W Fatima N, Class 4C Hasan A, Class 4J Shakew, Class 5C Zeeshan, Class 5J Levi, Class 6B Musa, Class 6K Jozef

Congratulations, we are very proud of you!



100% Attendance Raffle Winners

After each half term all children who have achieved 100% attendance are entered into a raffle for each year group. The winners receive a £10 Tesco gift voucher. The lucky winners of the last half term raffle are:- Reception - Lareen, Y1 - Hussain, Y2 - Ayaan, Y3 - Subhaan, Y4 - Ibraheem, Y5 - Saarah, Y6 - Muhammed.

Enjoy spending your vouchers!!

World Book Day Vouchers



Don't forget to spend your voucher by
25^h March 2018!!

Parents Evening

**Tuesday 20th March from 3pm to 7pm for all classes except 4J and 6B
which will be on Wednesday 21st March.**

Please can you stick to the time that you have been allocated.

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 13th March - Reception classes to Westport Lake
Thursday 15th March - Year 2 visit to Maritime Museum in Liverpool
Thursday 15th March - Parents meeting about Year 6 Shugborough visit at 2pm
Thursday 22nd March - 4J to visit Coombes Valley Nature Reserve
Thursday 22nd March - KS2 Choir Concert at Victoria Hall 5pm - 8pm
Friday 23rd March - Cricket Tournament 1pm