



St Mark's CofE Primary School

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News Update - Monday 26th February, 2018

A Message From Mr Applegate

Hatch Warren Nature group are helping us redo our Willow Tunnel and also improve our raised beds, as both are looking tired. Can you spare a few hours to help them? 10am until 2pm, Sat 3rd March.

Parents are to supervise their own children if they bring any. Bring gardening gloves. Bring secateurs if you have some. Wear old clothes and wear strong shoes or boots.

Please let us know if you can make it!

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If it snows this week....

Please check our website for any changes to the day. We endeavour to keep open. Bring appropriate footwear and have a backup child-care plan in place.

World Book Day

On Thursday, 1st March, we celebrate World Book Day.

To make this day special and memorable, children are invited to dress as a character from one of their favourite books. This is optional, and can be completely free with a bit of creativity. Certificates will be awarded to all who take part and display their love of reading and the characters we uncover in a good book.

Throughout the week, we will be thinking about the importance of characterisation in stories. There will be an opportunity for children to enter a competition where they can create a brand new character who could feature in a sequel of their favourite story. Entry forms and further details will be available from school on Monday, 19th February. There will be prizes to win so we hope as many children as possible will be inspired to be creative!

We hope to celebrate the telling of stories, the listening to and the reading of stories, both in school and at home.

Children who read, succeed!

See our website for more information!



Respond To School At Home



This half-term, we're looking at taking responsibility. This week, we're focussing on taking responsibility for using our time.

Planning out our days and week and being disciplined with our time is a skill to learn.

Why not create a timetable with your child for the week ahead? Help them to learn the importance of getting the key things done first (like tidying bedrooms or doing homework) before playing on the Xbox!

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KS2 - Snacks at break

We sometimes have extra fruit or veg available at break time. However, we can't guarantee this, so please do send in a healthy snack with your child. Remember, KS1 get a free piece of fruit each day.

Something to Think about... MANY THINGS ARENT
EQUAL BUT
EVERYONE GETS THE
SAME 24 HOURS A
DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK.
WE MAKE TIME FOR
WHAT WE TRULY
WANT.



Reception - Peter, Issac, Amy

Year 1 - Neve, Eleanor, Marissa

Year 2 - Daisy, Isaac, Jessica

Year 3 - Summer, Ollie, Isla

Year 4 - Isla, Sam, Sophie

Year 5 - Joshua, Poppy, Millie

Year 6 - Gracie, Liliah, Imogen

Head Teacher: Mr Charles Applegate Deputy Head: Mrs Claire Cooper

Assistant Head: Mrs Nicola Ford Assistant Head: Mrs Rebekah Alsey















Dates for your diary....

Spring Term

INSET day

Thursday 29th March

Easter break

Mar 30th – Apr 13th

Year 1 maths homework will be coming out fortnightly.
We're keen that there is a progression of homework as children move through the school.

Summer Term

First day

Monday 16th April

May Day Bank Holiday

May 7th

Half-term

May 28th - June 1st

INSET day

Monday 4th June

Last day of term

July 23rd

Is your child in our KS1 or KS2 choir, or our orchestra?

They will be performing on **Sat 17**th **March** at QMC. Save the date! More details to come soon.





Our learning behaviour this week is...



Do you have spare books you could donate?

We're after quality books to help stock our library. We'd really appreciate any suitable donations. Thank you!

Dogs Trust Visit





On 27th and 28th Feb, **Years 3, 4, 5 and 6** are having a visit from the DogsTrust, which helps to educate children on being safe with dogs.

Year Group	Competition	Winner
Year R	Write dance competition – who could complete the most accurate picture.	Parrots
Year 1	Skipping relay race. The quickest class were the winners.	1H
Year 2	Netball chest pass challenge	2B
Year 3	The Haka dance and a Netball challenge	3C
Year 4	Golden Mile challenge	4C
Year 5	Rugby Challenge – passing the rugby ball down the line without dropping it	5H
Year 6	Penguin dance	6D



Well done to our interclass competition winners!

