



# St Mark's CofE Primary School

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News Update – Tuesday 15th May, 2018

## A Message From Mr Applegate

### SATs

Our Year 6 pupils are already partly through their SATs tests. Keep going- almost there! Our Year 2 pupils have been doing their SATs at various times recently. It is a much more low-key affair in Year 2, for the pupils at least. They don't really know they are doing them- exactly the way it should be. Well done all for your attitude and efforts.

### Sports Day

I've always been keen on competition between individuals as well as team work, and so our Sports Day will include both. I know that for many children, Sports Day is a chance to shine and compete in a way that doesn't happen every week. We want to celebrate that and give opportunity for it. Usain Bolt competed in events when he was a child, and look where that helped him get to! I look forward to a really enjoyable day for all in our school community. Look out for our sports day letter coming out soon, containing details of the slightly modified arrangements.

### Willow Work

A huge thank you to Chris Worgan and the Hatch Warren Nature group, who gave up their Saturday morning to maintain our willow area by the KS1 play equipment. Brilliant 😊

**Have a great week!**

## Respond To School At Home



We are thinking about risk taking this week. Why not discuss the positive risks that children take each day- for some this is putting their hand up in class, or trying a question on fractions they find tricky, or reading a book that looks daunting in length, or speaking to another pupil who looks like they need a friend. Taking positive risks can have great results, and we need to continually help our children to push out their own boundaries.



## Book Fair!

Wednesday 23rd May until Friday 25th May, children will be able to come to the school Book Fair and choose a book at either lunchtime or after school (3.20pm-4pm). Your child can bring money into school to buy a book independently at lunch time; we suggest bringing the money in a named purse or envelope which your child should hand to their teacher for safe keeping. See the letter coming out soon on how to win a £5 voucher to spend at the fair!

## GDPR

In the coming days and weeks, you'll see various forms regarding GDPR requirements. This is the new EU regulation which bolsters existing data protection rules to allow you to be more in control of how your data is used. Please bear with us- it's an enormous operation. Thank you for returning any forms quickly, too.



- Reception – Charlie, Raymon, Elodie
- Year 1 – Ava, Liam, Amelia
- Year 2 – Jack, Oscar, Ella
- Year 3 – Lyra, Keeleigh, Pippa
- Year 4 – Katie, Oliver, Taylor
- Year 5 – Thomas, Nicole, Molly
- Year 6 – James, Ben, Ella

Head Teacher: Mr Charles Applegate  
Deputy Head: Mrs Claire Cooper  
Assistant Head: Mrs Nicola Ford  
Assistant Head: Mrs Rebekah Alsey





## Dates for your diary....

### Half Term

May 28<sup>th</sup> – June 1st

### Sports Day

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June

### Year 6 Class Photographs

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July

### Inset Day

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June

### Reserve Sports Day

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> June

### Last day of Term

23<sup>rd</sup> July (3.20pm)

Something to think about....

We never have to be

**PERFECT**

But we must always

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### INSET DAYS – 2018 2019

Monday 3rd September  
2018

Friday 19th October 2018

Monday 7th Jan 2019

Friday 5th April 2019

Monday 1st July 2019



### KS1 & KS2 Disco

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> May

### FOSM Tuck Shop

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July

### FOSM Summer Fun Day

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Our theme for this half term is "Being Thankful".

This week, we are focusing on our learning behaviour of risk taking.



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