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News Update – Tuesday 19th June, 2018

A Message From Mr Applegate

Thank you to everyone who made our sports day so enjoyable on Friday. We hope you enjoyed the new format, too. Well done to Dark Blue team who won the overall KS1 events, and Yellow team who won for KS2. If any parents have one or two choice photos that you can send us, then please email them to adminoffice@st-markscofe.hants.sch.uk Thank you!

Good luck to all the children performing at The Anvil Tuesday and Wednesday evening!

On Friday 6th July, all year groups will have a "transition morning", spending around 1½ hours with their new class, in their new classroom. They'll be taught by their new teacher, too. They find this information out on the day itself, not before. Children also find out which friends are in their new class. This is the way many schools operate because it really reduces anxiety about the change. When they have spent time with their new class and teacher, they feel much more confident and don't have to worry over the summer. Remember, children have already given a list of friends they would like to be with, and we aim to include at least 1 child in the list. On 6th July, Year 6 have specific arrangements mainly based on their secondary school. End of Year reports will be sent home around 11th July. Have a great week.

FOSM Summer Fun Day

Saturday 23rd June 2018 12pm – 3pm

Come and join us in the fun, and raise money for our school at the same time! Bring your friends and family too. We are also in need of more helpers; let the office know if you can help before, during or after, for as long or short as you can.

Video games have age limits, too!

Video games such as Fortnite, PUBG, and older games such as COD are increasingly talked about at school by children. Remember, these games have age restrictions above the age of 11.

Respond To School At Home



As we continue to look at Wisdom this term, why not talk with your child about one of these proverbs?

Actions speak louder than words.

A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step.

Don't count your chickens before they hatch.

Don't put off until tomorrow what you can do today.

A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones.

WARNING!! ROAD WORKS THIS WEEK!

Carriageway resurfacing works are scheduled for Woodbury Road, Basingstoke, from A30 Winchester Road to Beggarwood Lane from 20 June 2018. Works will be carried out in 2 phases:

Phase 1: Pre-resurfacing works (kerb repairs) are programmed to start Wednesday 20 June 2018 and are expected to last for 1 day. As works will require temporary traffic lights between 09.30 to 16.00 hours, through-traffic will be allowed, however, some delays are likely.

Phase 2: Carriageway patching works are programmed to start Thursday 21 June 2018 and are expected to last for 2 days. In order to undertake the work safely, it will be necessary for this section of road to be closed to vehicular traffic from 09.30 to 16.00 hours.

Something to think about...

A heart at peace gives life to the body, but envy rots the bones.
~ Proverbs 14:30

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





Dates for your diary....

Friday 22nd June

Year 6 Winchester Cathedral Service

Thursday 28th June

Year 5 Taster Day at Brighton Hill

Tuesday 3rd July

Year 6 Class photographs

Monday 9th July

Year 3 trip to SeaCity

Tuesday 17th July

Year 4 trip to Gordon Brown Education Centre

Monday 23rd July

Last day of Term (3.20pm)

Does your child have a mobile?

Please do have a chat with them about using them when crossing roads. We've been alerted by local residents regarding children walking across busy roads, focussing only on their mobile phones. We would hate for anything untoward to happen.

Price Increases

It's been over 8 years since Breakfast Club prices have increased. From September, the current charge of £2.00 will increase to £2.50. For those joining at 8:20am, the charge will still be £1.00.

Further, after school clubs run by Planet Education will carry a small surcharge of £1 per session. Staff led clubs will still be free. We feel this provides excellent value. Many schools charge £4+ for either breakfast club or after school clubs.

Also, HC3S who run the school dinners have asked us to inform parents that the cost of a school dinner will increase to £2.30 from September 2018.

Skoolkit

We have received the following message from Skoolkit:

Due to the demand for uniform and the volume of orders we receive online during the summer holidays, we would ask that parents place their orders by Friday 10th August in order to give us enough time to dispatch their uniform in time for the beginning of the new school year in September. Orders can be placed after this, however, they may not arrive in time for children going back to school and we want to avoid disappointment.

We are running three separate promotional codes for free delivery before this date and these are:

29th June – 1st July – JUNDEL18

27th – 29th July – JULYDEL18

8th – 10th August – AUGDEL18

These codes are only valid during the times specified and will need to be entered when parents are viewing their baskets online.

INSET DAYS – 2018 2019

Monday 3rd September 2018

Friday 19th October 2018

Monday 7th Jan 2019

Friday 5th April 2019

Monday 1st July 2019

Baptism

Fr. Michael will be baptising a number of children from St Mark's School on **Sunday 1st July at 3pm**. Singing will be led by a group from the school choir. Everyone is welcome to come to this service of celebration and welcome. There will be a special celebratory tea afterwards with squash, tea, coffee and plenty of cake.

Backpacks & Sandals

A reminder that small backpacks are now allowed to be brought into school (as small as possible- space is limited!). Sandals may be worn in the summer months but should be either white or black in colour, have straps that securely hold feet in place and not be made of fabric. Socks must be worn for H&S reasons

Tick Bites

As we go through the summer and the children play outside more, it may be worth keeping an eye out for tick bites (or even ticks still attached).

Homework!

It's been great to see various homework projects coming in recently across several year groups. They are amazing! Thank you to everyone who has helped make them possible.

Drinks!

A reminder that water bottles used throughout the day in class are for water only. Lunches can include squash but no fizzy drinks.