St Mark's CofE Primary School



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News Update - Monday 13th November, 2017

A Message From Mr Applegate

What a lovely whole school remembrance worship we had together on Friday. They children were very respectful.

Don't forget, we've recently introduced our learning behaviours and Mr Dumtums. Why not ask your child to explain these to you to check their understanding?!

Finally, Mrs Ford is pregnant, and will be going on maternity leave soon after Christmas. Congratulations to her and her family ⁽²⁾



The School Councillors of St. Marks are raising money for Children in Need 2017.

Our wonderful school councillors are busy organising events to raise money for this year's Children in Need appeal.

Students are able to take part in the following events:

- Enter a Pudsey drawing competition to win their very own cuddly Pudsey bear to take home. Entries can be submitted to class teachers from Monday 13th to Thursday 16th November at a cost of 20p per entry. Two lucky winners will be announced in celebration worship on Friday afternoon.
- Take part in a bake sale. Cakes will be on sale at morning break on Friday, 17th November in the main hall for 50p each. Please donate some cakes on the day for the stalls if you are able to. Children can bring in up to £1 to buy 2 cakes.
- Enter a raffle to win a Pudsey bear. Tickets cost 20p each. Tickets will be available to buy from class teachers from Monday 13th to Friday 17th. Two lucky winners will be announced in celebration worship on Friday afternoon.

Remember, children can enjoy this day in non-school uniform if they contribute a tombola prize for the school Christmas fayre. Why not be spotacular and wear something spotty?

Tombola Non-School Uniform

on Friday 17th Nov Head Teacher: Mr Charles Applegate Deputy Head: Mrs Claire Cooper Assistant Head: Mrs Nicola Ford Assistant Head: Mrs Rebekah Alsey



Respond To School At Home

This week we are thinking about what makes us special.

We will be talking about the fact that we are all different and special, but we are also equal and valuable.



If you or your child are ever worried about bullying, please do speak to a member of staff at school.

Year 5 Parents – Windmill Hill 2018 We'd like to invite all Year 5 parents to a

meeting about the 2018 Year 6 Windmill Hill trip on Weds 15th Nov 6:30pm.



Wednesday 15th, Thursday 16th and Friday 17th November.

See website for more information!



Update on our guinea pigs

We've sadly had to rehome our guinea pigs. We didn't want to, but they are getting older, and we feel it is only fair to let them retire from the busy life of being school pets. Cookie, Caramel and Squeak have been rehomed already. If you are interested in permanently looking after Fudge or Oreo, please speak to the office. We know this is sad, but will review how we can have more school pets in the future.









follow in due course. Due to health and safety regulations, and in fairness to all parents, there will be an initial limited ticket allocation of probably 2 tickets per family for a show. Tickets are not allocated to a particular seat. We are liaising with the fire service about maximum numbers.

We expect more tickets to be available however. Please bear with us as we introduce this new system [©] Thanks!



Autumn Term

Tombola - Non-Uniform Nov 17th

> Christmas Fayre Dec 2nd

Flu Vaccinations YR – Y4 Dec 12th, 13th

> Christmas break Dec 22nd– Jan 3rd

INSET Days - 2018

Friday 19th January Thurs 29th March Monday 4th June

We apologise for the delay in getting these out.

Spring Term

First day Thurs 4th Jan 2018

> Half-term Feb 12th – 16th

Easter break Mar 30th – Apr 13th

Summer Term

First day Monday 16th April

May Day Bank Holiday May 7th

Half-term May 28th – June 1st

Last day of term July 23rd

Applying for a school place in Reception

If your child was born between 1st September 2013 and 31st August 2014, the deadline for applying for a school place is Monday 15th January 2018.

If you are looking for a Reception school place for September 2018, you are welcome to come along to one of our school tours at St Mark's CofE Primary School. The tour will last approximately one hour. Please telephone the school on 01256 346111 to book your place.

Monday 13th November Tuesday 14th November Thursday 16th November

7:00pm 2:00pm 10:00am