



# St Mark's CofE Primary School

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News Update – Monday 19th March, 2018

## A Message From Mr Applegate

I'm very pleased to announce that our KS2 orchestra won 2<sup>nd</sup> place at a Basingstoke competition on Saturday. They held their own against a very well-established school orchestra from St Mary's Junior School. I was so proud of them, particularly as they have only been together since September. Amazing! On top of that, our KS1 and KS2 choirs both won 1<sup>st</sup> place at the same competition! Well done! We are so proud of them. Both our choirs and orchestra embody our learning behaviours so well, and I am sure you join me in congratulating them all. Thank you to Miss Burgess, Mrs Coxon, Mrs Chapman, Mrs Hearn, and Mrs Bull for their help in making these opportunities feasible, and for running the clubs each week.

This week we are launching our new 'Young Carers' club for KS2. If you feel your child is a young carer, please do speak with their teacher. See [stmarksprimary.net/yc](http://stmarksprimary.net/yc) for more information.

## Respond To School At Home



This half-term, we're looking at taking responsibility. **This week, we look at the responsibility we have towards our family.** Do you have different responsibilities in your family? E.g. to look after pets, to empty the dishwasher, hoovering, to clean bedrooms or make the bed each day. You could talk to your children about why this is important, and what happens when someone doesn't play their part.

## Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

Come to school in no uniform. Sports clothing would be great! We'll do our golden mile in year groups throughout the day. *Donations welcome.*



## Year 3 & 4 Easter Performance....

We look forward to enjoying these performances. The children sound amazing! Tickets still available for Wednesday 2pm performance.

## FOSM Easter Egg Hunt



24<sup>th</sup> March, 11am-12pm. There are still tickets available, which must be purchased in advance. See the letter on our website for more information.



- Reception - Imogen, Isobel, Freddie
- Year 1 - Betsy, Tom, Dylan
- Year 2 - Emily, Lottie, Daisy
- Year 3 - Jonathan, Ayush, Jackson
- Year 4 - Ruby, Mackenzie, Ben
- Year 5 - Imogen, Layla, Ashton
- Year 6 - Hannah, David, Ben

## Ofsted

Thank you to everyone who supported us during our recent inspection. The report will be out soon, hopefully before Easter. We are obliged to give it to you as soon as it is public.

## Thank you

You may have noticed new rubbish bins in our playground. We want to smarten up our school, and they were looking tired and unpleasant! A huge shout out to one of our Year 4 parents, Danny Carter, of D & C Carter Property Maintenance, for installing these free of charge- and with such a kind and generous attitude towards it all.

Thank you to the Whitehouse family who helped with general tidying up last week!

Thank you to Chris Worgan, parents, and members of the Hatch Warren Nature Group for their persistence in wanting to help maintain our willow. The weather has unfortunately prevented the 3 mornings organised so far ☹️. 4<sup>th</sup> time lucky!

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 29<sup>th</sup> March

### Easter break

Mar 30<sup>th</sup> – Apr 13<sup>th</sup>

### Fr. Michael's New Role

**Yesterday at Immanuel Church, the following announcement was made:**

*This morning, the parish of Winton, Moordown and Charminster is making the following announcement: We are pleased to be able to tell you that the Rev'd Michael Smith, currently Vicar of Immanuel, Hatch Warren and Beggarwood, has been offered and has accepted the post of Rector in this parish. This appointment is subject to a range of statutory checks and clearances before it can be made formal, but we can now look forward to a licensing service in early September. Fr. Michael's last Sunday here will be Sunday 12th August. He will be licensed on Thursday 6th September in his new parish.'*

We do of course wish Fr Michael all the best as he and his family look forward to this new adventure. Our school has very much appreciated his involvement and input into our school community in various ways over the past 4 years. We will be sad to see him go but we won't say goodbye just yet!

## Summer Term

### First day

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April

### May Day Bank Holiday

May 7<sup>th</sup>

### Half-term

May 28<sup>th</sup> – June 1<sup>st</sup>

### INSET day

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June

### Last day of term

July 23<sup>rd</sup>

As we are nearing the end of the financial year, all debts must be paid in full before the last day of term, including dinner money and breakfast club.

Thank you!

Mr Connolly, our school crossing patrol officer, is unwell so won't be able to patrol the crossing at Danebury Road. We wish him a speedy recovery.

### Parking – we continue to have complaints from residents and parents regarding poor parking.

**Thank you to the vast majority of parents who walk or park considerably and lawfully.** I know you join me in sharing your frustration and anger at the small number of parents who show no regard for our residents through their choice of parking or indeed their laziness at not parking further out or safely.

The roads in Beggarwood and Hatch Warren are narrow and parking in residential areas can be challenging at the best of times. If you see examples of poor parking, please do take pictures and send them to the school office so that we can 'show and shame'.

Parking on corners or on pathways is dangerous to children and adults, parking across driveways is rude, and we are all working hard to make improvements; it's the few who spoil it ☹

We are working with the council, police, our pupils, local organisations, and a select group of parents to work collectively to provide solutions and eradicate ridiculous and unsafe parking. A meeting was scheduled for last Wednesday, but had to be postponed until after Easter. We will keep you updated.

Something to think about....

### 7 THINGS EVERY CHILD NEEDS TO HEAR

1. I love you.
2. I'm proud of you.
3. I'm sorry.
4. I forgive you.
5. I'm listening to you.
6. This is your responsibility.
7. You can do it.



### Our learning behaviour this term is...

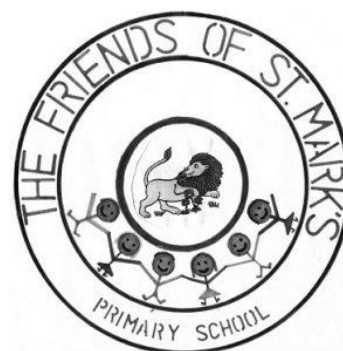


A reminder- we finish at 3:20pm on the last day of each term.

### INSET DAYS – 2018 2019

Monday 3rd September 2018  
 Friday 19th October 2018  
 Monday 7th Jan 2019  
 Friday 5th April 2019  
 Monday 1st July 2019

## *FOSM – Dates for your diary*



**EASTER EGG  
HUNT  
SATURDAY 24th  
MARCH**

**DISCO (KS1 & KS2)  
FRIDAY 18th MAY**



**TUCK SHOP  
FRIDAY 6th JULY**



**FUN DAY  
SATURDAY 23rd JUNE**

*Thank you for  
your support for  
our school- it's  
make a huge  
difference!*