



Growing and Learning Together in God's Love

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News Update – Monday 29th October 2018

A message from Mr Applegate

Welcome back! I trust you've had a great break.

Our theme this term is 'service'. Our HeartSmart High Five 'Too much selfie isn't healthy' helps us to see that serving others is not only fun, but it's good for us! Each year group will be looking at the theme in a different way, but we aim to make it quite practical.

It was great to welcome Bishop David of Basingstoke to our school before Half Term. He was quite impressed with all that is going on at St Mark's.

Christmas is coming! We're excited about all that is to come, including the various performances, choir concerts and celebration. Don't forget to book tickets online by Friday 2nd November.

An update on our FOSM spending: we were hoping to replace some KS1 toilets during half-term, but it wasn't to be. We'll hopefully get this done during the Christmas period. We're also ready to progress on the outside area outside Years 4 and 5. We have much to look forward too. Thank you for your generosity here.

Finally, we wish our Year 6 pupils well as they enjoy the Windmill Hill residential trip this week!

Have a great week. Mr Applegate

Community Centre Parking

Please note that due to the Fireworks Extravaganza at the Community Centre on Saturday 3rd November, there will be very limited parking on Friday 2nd November.

If possible please walk to and from school with your children that day to ease congestion.

If you would like to purchase tickets for this event please contact the Community Centre.

Bags to School

If you have any unwanted clothes, please bag them up and bring them into school on Friday 2nd November. All proceeds will benefit the school.

Please do not bring any items in before this date, as we are unable to store them.

Thank you.

Parents' Evening

Online booking is now open. They will take place on the following dates:

- 21st Nov, 4-6:30pm
- 26th Nov, 4-6:30pm
- 28th Nov, 5-7:30pm

See website for full details.



Year R – Grace, Henry, Riley
 Year 1 – Charlie E, Theodore, Myla
 Year 2 – Jaiden, Betsy, Anaya
 Year 3 – Lucille, Poppy, Jessica W
 Year 4 – Keeleigh, Oscar B, Jeevan
 Year 5 – Joseph, Archie P-D, Harriet
 Year 6 – Amelie, Dylan, Eleanor, Lily H

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





Christmas at St Mark's C of E Primary School 2018



Christmas Lunch
Thursday 20th December



Year R Nativity



Performances on:
Tuesday 4th December at 10am
Wednesday 5th December at 10am



Year 1 and 2 performance



Performances on:
Monday 10th December at 10am
Tuesday 11th December at 10am
Wednesday 12th December at 2pm



**Years 3, 4 and Choir
Carol Concert**



Performances on:
Thursday 13th December at 2pm
Monday 17th December at 7pm
Tuesday 18th December 2pm



**Years 5, 6 and
Choir Carol Concert**



Performances on:
Friday 14th December at 2pm
Monday 17th December at 2pm
Tuesday 18th December 7pm



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

To attend a performance you will need to have a free ticket.

Please see our website for more information!

Book by Friday 2nd November! Look for this logo →

Book Christmas
Performances Here



Dates for your diary....

Autumn Term

29th Oct – Y6 Residential Week
7th Nov, 6pm – Y5 Residential Meeting
12th Nov – Anti-Bullying Week
16th Nov – Yr 6 National Child Measurement Programme
19th Nov – Road Safety Week
21st, 26th, 28th Nov – Parents' Evenings
20th December – Christmas Lunch
21st December – Last day of Term (3.20pm finish)

Spring Term

11th Jan – Autumn reports out
27th Feb, 4th & 6th March – Parents' Evenings

Summer Term

26th April – Spring Reports out
13th May – Y6 SATs Week
7th June – Sports Day
14th June – Reserve Sports Day
5th July – Transition Day
12th July – Summer Reports out

INSET DAYS 2018 2019

Monday 7th Jan 2019
Friday 5th Apr 2019
Monday 3rd Jun 2019
(not 1st Jul)

FOSM



2nd Nov- Bags to School
16th Nov- Non Uniform Day
1st Dec – FOSM Christmas Fayre
15th Feb – FOSM School Disco
8th March – Cake Sale
30th March Easter Egg Hunt (11am – 12pm)
3rd May FOSM Summer Disco
21st June – Non Uniform Day
29th June- Summer Fun Day

Packed Lunches

Could we please remind you that we are a nut free school, as we have a number of children with a nut allergy.

Please ensure you do not put any items with nuts in your child's lunchbox.
This includes anything that has Nutella too.

Thank you

FOSM School Disco

Please note there is a change to the date of the next school disco. It will now be 15th February, instead of 8th February.
Thank you.

Rotary Shoebox Scheme



If you would like to take part, please can we ask that all shoeboxes are brought into the school office on **Tuesday 30th October before the end of the school day.**

Thank you for your support with this scheme.

Something to think about

As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands, one for helping yourself, the other for helping others.

Audrey Hepburn

Flu Vaccine

The School Nurse will be coming into school mid-January to carry out the flu vaccination for years R – 5.

Secondary School Applications

Please note the closing date to apply for a Secondary School place is 31st October 2018.

Applying for a school place in Reception

If your child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015, the deadline for applying for a school place is 15th January 2019. If you are looking for a Reception school place for September 2019, you are welcome to come along to one of our school tours. The tour will last approximately one hour. Please telephone the school on 01256 346111 to book your place on the remaining tours.

1. Wednesday 7th November 10:30am - Full
2. Tuesday 13th November 2pm - Full
3. Wednesday 14th November 7pm
4. Thursday 22nd November 10:30am

Immanuel Church has their annual All Souls' service on Sunday 4th Nov at 6.30pm. This is a quiet reflective service of approx. 45 mins to commemorate the departed and to light a candle in their memory. Names of those in the Book of Remembrance will be read out, as well as any others people would like remembering. If you would like someone's name read out during the service then a sheet is available at the back of the church for you to add their details; alternatively you could contact immanuelchurchhwb@gmail.com with the details of anyone you'd like added.



Road Safety Special

Please keep us safe!
Respect our local residents and
obey the laws of the road.



At St Mark's, we want our local roads to be places of safety. Our four elected JRSOs will be running a range of events to help us keep safe on the roads. Look out for more coming soon!

 **Road Safety Week**
19-25 November 2018



Why not park at a distance and walk in? If you need to drive, park safely!



Thank you.