



Growing and Learning Together in God's Love

# St Mark's CofE Primary School

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## News Update – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018

### A message from Mr Applegate

Last week, we celebrated 'friendship' week; this culminated in children nominating others for the 'unselfie' challenge! These were given when they saw or experienced someone doing a kind action to someone else. Well done to everyone who was 'unselfie'! See examples in this newsletter.

Thanks to your generous donations, we raised £492 for Children in Need on Friday! And lots of items were given for the Christmas Fayre, too. Thank you so much. 😊

We look forward to Road Safety Week this week. Our Junior Road Safety Officers (JRSOs) have been planning several activities. Why not try to park farther afield and enjoy a brisk autumn walk to school?

We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible this Wednesday or next week for our November Parents' Evenings.

Have a great week. Mr Applegate.

### Changes to Menu

Please note there are two changes to the Menu this week.

The red option on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November will be Roast Chicken. The red option on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> November will be Roast Beef.

### Road Safety Week

We are looking forward to taking part in Road Safety Week and this year there is a focus on cycle safety. On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, we will be holding a "Be Bright Be Seen" non-uniform day to highlight the importance of being visible when you are near roads, especially at this time of year when the days can be gloomier and it gets darker earlier. In return for a small donation, we would love for the children to come to school on Friday dressed in bright and colourful clothes. We will use the money raised to buy more resources to promote road safety in and around our school. We look forward to seeing lots of colourful hair bands, bright t-shirts and crazy socks!



- Year R – Ivy-Rose, Effie, Amber
- Year 1 – Zachary B, Vinnie, Jack D (1C)
- Year 2 – Logan, Cristina, Matheus
- Year 3 – Samuel F, Reece, Madison S
- Year 4 – Rafferty, DJ, Dan He (4SH)
- Year 5 – Oliver, Theo, Luca L
- Year 6 – Abigail M, Lucy R, Thomas B Jack

### Thank you

Thank you so much for your kind donations to our Tombola, they really are appreciated.

We were also overwhelmed by the generosity towards our Children In Need collection buckets too. We raised an amazing £492 😊

Something to think about

**DRIVE AS IF EVERY CHILD ON THE STREET WERE YOUR OWN.**

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





# Dates for your diary....

## Autumn Term

19<sup>th</sup> Nov – Road Safety Week  
23<sup>rd</sup> Nov – Be Bright, Be Seen Non Uniform Day  
21<sup>st</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> Nov – Parents' Evenings  
30<sup>th</sup> Nov – Wear Ghana Flag Colours  
14<sup>th</sup> Dec – Year R National Child Measurement Programme (**Autumn born children**)  
20<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Lunch  
21<sup>st</sup> Dec – Last day of Term (3.20pm finish)

## Spring Term

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

## Summer Term

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

## INSET DAYS 2018 2019

Monday 7th Jan 2019  
Friday 5th Apr 2019  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun 2019  
(not 1st July)

## FOSM



1<sup>st</sup> Dec – FOSM Christmas Fayre  
15<sup>th</sup> Feb – FOSM School Disco  
8<sup>th</sup> March – Cake Sale  
30<sup>th</sup> March Easter Egg Hunt (11am – 12pm)  
3<sup>rd</sup> May FOSM Summer Disco  
21<sup>st</sup> June – Non Uniform Day  
29<sup>th</sup> June- Summer Fun Day

## Flu Vaccine

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

## #Unselfie challenge

This week we have been celebrating friendship. All Classes have taken part in the #Unselfie Challenge. This is where children nominated their peers when they spotted them doing something "unselfie". Some examples of nominations include:

"Noticing when I didn't have someone to play with and asking me to play"

"Holding the door open for me"

"Smiling at me"

"Taking time to help me tidy up"

The child in each class with the most nominations was awarded a certificate during Worship on Friday.

## #Unselfie Challenge Winners

Well done to our winners who have showed compassion and friendliness to their fellow classmates. You should all be very proud of yourselves 😊

Year R - Zachary, Isabelle Ru, Abigail  
Year 1 - Olivia, Elliott, Freya  
Year 2 – Scarlett E, James, Jack  
Year 3 – Freya, Charlie D, Daisy C  
Year 4 – Simone, Sophie B, Summer  
Year 5 – Harrison, Bhaswati, Summer B, Jake S  
Year 6 - Imogen T, Tilly, Erin, Francesca

## Using Pathways

Please could all children and younger siblings use the pathways outside the classrooms when coming into school and leaving each day.  
Please avoid walking on the grass banks. Thank you.

### Breakfast Club

Could we please remind parents that Breakfast Club doors close at 8.25, there will not be any access after this time.

If you arrive after this time, please park in the Community Centre car park and use the main gates to bring your child into school. Thank you.

### Parents' Evening

Parents Evenings commence this week. The dates are:

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

Please note as the Music and Drama room is now a classroom, it will no longer be in use for children to wait for their parents.

Please therefore ask your child to take a seat outside their classroom. Thank you.

### Christmas Performance – Ticket Update!

A huge thank you goes to Mrs Ruffles who has been in school this week allocating tickets for our Christmas performances. Her help has been invaluable and has meant we have been able to allocate and distribute tickets ahead of schedule.

Tickets for all performances have now been sent home, if you would like additional tickets there are some available for most performances. Please pop into the school office or request them via email [adminoffice@st-markscofe.hants.sch.uk](mailto:adminoffice@st-markscofe.hants.sch.uk), please remember to state your child's name and the date of the performance you require. Thank you !

### Reading Logs

Parents, please note you can use your child's reading log for home communication with your child's teacher.

They are checked on a daily basis, so you can write a message in there, should you need to.

### Ghanaian Day – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November – Re-establishing links with Raising Hope Foundation

You may already be aware that over the last 5 years, St Mark's has had links with a small Christian Charity working with vulnerable children in Ghana.

We are keen to re-establish links with the 'Raising Hope Foundation' and will begin by hosting a 'Ghanaian Day' on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November.

During the day, children will be learning more about Ghana, the traditional village of Santrokofi and the children living there. We will also be welcoming representatives from the charity to a special worship to find out more about their work and how we can help.

In return for a small contribution to the charity, we are welcoming children and staff to come dressed in one or all of the colours from the Ghanaian flag - red, yellow, green and black. The class 'RHF Ambassador' will be collecting donations from their classmates during morning registration.

We look forward to sharing you more about our links in the coming weeks and months.

Mrs Mitchell and the team of RHF Ambassadors





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**The Importance of Arriving to School on Time**

<b>If your child is 5 minutes late a day they lose:</b>				
25 minutes a week	1 hour 40 minutes a month	2 hours 30 minutes a half term	5 hours a term	16 hours 15 minutes in a school year
			<b>This is the equivalent to 1 full day</b>	<b>This is the equivalent to over 3 days</b>

<b>If your child is 10 minutes late a day they lose:</b>				
50 minutes a week	3 hour 20 minutes a month	5 hours a half term	10 hours a term	32 hours 30 minutes in a school year
		<b>This is the equivalent to 1 full day</b>	<b>This is the equivalent to 2 full days</b>	<b>This is the equivalent to over 6 days</b>

<b>If your child is 15 minutes late a day they lose:</b>				
1 hour 15 minutes a week	5 hours a month	7 hours 30 minutes a half term	15 hours a term	48 hours 45 minutes in a school year
	<b>This is the equivalent to 1 full day</b>	<b>This is the equivalent to over 1 full day</b>	<b>This is the equivalent to 3 full days</b>	<b>This is the equivalent to over 9 full days</b>

<b>If your child is 20 minutes late a day they lose:</b>				
1 hour 40 minutes a week	6 hours 40 minutes a month	10 hours a half term	20 hours a term	65 hours in a school year
	<b>This is the equivalent to 1 full day</b>	<b>This is the equivalent to over 2 full days</b>	<b>This is the equivalent to 4 full days</b>	<b>This is the equivalent to 13 full days</b>

**It is important for your child to arrive punctually for school so they do not miss out on valuable learning experiences. It is vital for your child's wellbeing too.**

**Morning session: 8.30am (early morning work) 8.45am (lessons start)**





# Immanuel Church

Christmas when it doesn't

*Feel like Christmas*



Saturday

15th December

2018 5pm (new start  
time)

Blue

Christmas

Service

A Christmas Service, especially for those feeling broken, or living with loss.

Join us for Sausage Rolls, Mince Pies, Mulled Wine & Refreshments after the Service

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



**Christmas Lunch**  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December



**Year R Nativity**



Performances on:  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December at 10am  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 10am



**Year 1 and 2 performance**



Performances on:  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> December at 10am  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 10am  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm



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



Performances on:  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2pm



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



Performances on:  
Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 2pm  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December 7pm



## **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

*To attend a performance you will need to have a free ticket.  
Please see our website for more information!*