



Growing and Learning Together in God's Love

# St Mark's CofE Primary School

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## News Update – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019

### A message from Mr Applegate

This week, we carry on our theme of 'Changing The World', with an emphasis on people who have demonstrated forgiveness and how this changed themselves and others. Your child may be talking about problems that our world faces – this is a school wide discussion, and we'll be looking at what we can do to change some of those problems – ie "Impacting our world"!

Sports day is on 7<sup>th</sup> June, and we'll have more news next week on the logistics of the day. It's a great family and community day. Have a great week ☺ Mr Applegate.

### Class Attendance

Well done to classes 5F & 5T who both achieved 99% attendance last week of Spring Term and 1H with 98.67% attendance

### Well done to....



- Year R – Rebecca, Jack T, Chloe
- Year 1 –Sophia M, Millie, Charlie
- Year 2 – Luke, Bethany C, Charlie
- Year 3 – Archie, Charlie, Charlotte
- Year 4 – Gurshantt, Ellisia, Isla
- Year 5 – Lola, Sam R, Isla
- Year 6 - Polly, Finley, Amelie, Grace

### Governor Profile – Rev Debbie Howard

I have recently become a foundation governor after responding to an advert in the Rabbiter.

I am an ordained minister working as a chaplain at Basingstoke Hospital, a job which I love and consider a real privilege. I attend the Andover Elim Church as well as having strong links with One Church (churches together) in Basingstoke. Before moving to Basingstoke in 2017 I was a church minister in Somerset and before that lived for 16 years in the Democratic Republic of Congo where I was a missionary.

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### After-School Clubs

If you haven't already done so, please return your child's permission slip and payment (if required) as soon as possible. Thank you

### After School Care Club – Until 6pm Starting 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019

[www.stmarksprimary.net/scl](http://www.stmarksprimary.net/scl)

You should have received your flyer regarding our exciting new After School Club with SCL. Please visit our website to book your place.



### Spring Clean and Fundraise!



Do you have clothes you want to get rid of? Save them to help raise money for the school. Please bring them into school on

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May**

Please do not bring any donations before this date, as we are unable to store them, Thank you

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



Interested in becoming a teacher? Find out more [www.stmarksprimary.net/aspire-train-to-teach/](http://www.stmarksprimary.net/aspire-train-to-teach/)

Overton Primary School - **Coffee Morning** - 8am to 9am - **Thursday 2nd May**

**Evening Information Sessions** 6pm to 7pm **Tues 21st May**



## Dates for your diary....



### Summer Term

29<sup>th</sup> April – Year 3 trip to Kew Gardens  
7<sup>th</sup> May 4EH & 4T to The Gordon Brown Centre  
8<sup>th</sup> May 4SH to The Gordon Brown Centre  
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  
23<sup>rd</sup> July – LAST DAY OF TERM

### INSET DAYS

2018 2019

**Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun 2019**

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2019 2020

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 2019**

*(School starts Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> Sept)*

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> Oct 2019**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> Jan 2020**

**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr 2020**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> Jun 2020**

### Year 6 Dates

20<sup>th</sup> June – Think Safe Trip

21<sup>st</sup> June – Leavers' Service Trip to Winchester Cathedral (Children only)

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> July - Year 6 Basingstoke Schools transition dates

15<sup>th</sup> July – 2pm Yr 6 Play Dress Rehearsal (Children only)

16<sup>th</sup> July – 7pm Yr 6 Play Performance

17<sup>th</sup> July – 2pm & 7pm Y6 Play Performance

19<sup>th</sup> July – Leaver's Evening Graduation Party

23<sup>rd</sup> July – School Leaver's Service at 9.45am (parents' invited)

### FOSM



3<sup>rd</sup> May - FOSM Summer Disco  
21<sup>st</sup> June – Non Uniform Day  
29<sup>th</sup> June- Summer Fun Day

### Non-Uniform

On **21<sup>st</sup> June**, we'll be holding a non-uniform day in return for donations towards our FOSM summer fun day. However, **Y5 and Y6** both have important events that day and will need to come in their uniform anyway.

### FOSM School Disco

We are looking for volunteers to help run the disco. If you can help with KS1 from 4.45 or KS2 from 5.45, or both, please email [secretary@friendsofstmarks.org](mailto:secretary@friendsofstmarks.org). Your help enables these events to happen, lets the children have fun and raises funds for our children at St Mark's. Thank you!

### Governor Profile – continued from page 1

I became a governor at St Marks because I was a governor of a school in Somerset and loved it. When I left to move to Basingstoke, I was encouraged by the Chair of Governors to seek to become a governor again if I had the opportunity. Being a governor also gives me the opportunity to invest into the local community and I am particularly impressed by and support the Christian ethos and values of St Marks.

Both my roles as a chaplain and a church minister have given me experience in managing, admin and working with people. My work in DR Congo involved various projects including working as a nurse/midwife in a mission hospital, working with churches to train children and youth workers and setting up safeguarding training and policies. In addition, various projects supporting street children which involved, wherever possible, helping reunite them with their families or where this was not possible, placing them in families/other safe environments and teaching them life skills and providing apprenticeships. Since returning to the UK, I continue to spend time keeping in touch with friends, colleagues and projects back in DR Congo.

I am currently working on a dissertation for my masters in chaplaincy studies and in any remaining free time, I enjoy reading, being involved in various church activities, going to the gym and am currently learning to enjoy running!

