News Update – Monday 24th June 2019

A message from Mr Applegate
- A highlight of last week was attending the Year 6 Leavers’ Service at Winchester Cathedral. The pupils were so well behaved, and very much enjoyed the event. As well as thinking about finishing Year 6, the theme of “the importance of bees” was celebrated. The 3D artwork they created is shown here - amazing!
- Another highlight was seeing Strictly Come Dancing arrive at St Mark’s. The afterschool club had a finale, hosted by the talented Mrs Bridle. The children did so well as they danced their hearts away to a packed hall. Well done 🎉.
- Yet another highlight was seeing the Y5 children interact with, and sing to, the residents at Pemberley House. See the Y5 webpage for some ‘moving’ photos, as well as a video of their singing. I welled up as I saw the power of pupils positively impacting on the older generation – and vice-versa. What a school to be part of! And still much to come!

Well done to....
Year R – Beatrice, Elijah, Summer
Year 1 – Archie, Henry, Finley, Toby
Year 2 – Bethany W, Daniel, Noah W
Year 3 – Bella, Samuel W, Ollie B
Year 4 – Leah, Sophie W, Oliver C
Year 5 - All of Year 5!
Year 6 – All of year 6!

Madagascar Tickets
The booking system to request tickets is now closed. We will be working hard this week to allocate tickets and hope to send them out later this week, so do bear with us! Once all allocations have been made we will let you know if there are any spare tickets available.

Lunchtime Supervisory Assistant Vacancy
We are looking for a friendly, reliable and enthusiastic person to join our lunchtime team.
Hours of work are 11.45am – 1.30pm Monday to Friday.
Duties will include helping children in the dinner hall, supervising and encouraging good behaviour. Minor first aid, training will be given.
Please contact the school office for an application form or email adminoffice@st-markscofe.hants.sch.uk

LSA Vacancy
Are you good with supporting children in their learning? Could you join our fantastic team of LSAs?
We have two roles available:
A. 1 year fixed term contract, 8:30am – 3:30pm
B. 1 term fixed term contract, 8:30am – 3:30pm
The role would start 1st September, and is to work with individuals with additional needs. More details will be available on the Hampshire Education Jobs website.
Closing date: 5th July, 5pm, Interview Date: 9th July.
Please contact the school office for an application form or email adminoffice@st-markscofe.hants.sch.uk

School Cleaner Required
We are looking for a friendly, reliable and enthusiastic person to join our cleaning team.
Hours of work are 3.30pm – 5.30pm Monday to Friday, £8.50 per hour.
Please contact the school office for an application form or email adminoffice@st-markscofe.hants.sch.uk for more information.

Head Teacher: Mr Charles Applegate
Deputy Head: Mrs Claire Cooper
Assistant Head: Mrs Nicola Ford
Assistant Head: Mrs Rebekah Alsey
Meet the Team! (FOSM) Committee Profile

Hey, I’m Mandy Mullen and I’ve been on the FoSM committee for almost 3 years. I love being able to give back to the school, allowing everyone to benefit from the extra money we raise and arranging events for all the children to enjoy. Whilst I help out at the main events (Christmas Fayre, Easter Egg Hunt, Summer Fun Day and the odd disco (when I get the chance)), my biggest contribution is just before Christmas... I am ‘Mrs Christmas Cards’!! (35 hours total)

When I’m not volunteering with the committee I work full time and am busy being a wife, and Mum to my crazy boy and our baby. I really enjoy being ‘a FoSM’. Not only does it allow me to help raise valuable funds for school around a busy and hectic schedule, but I have made some amazing friends. The FoSMs welcomed me with open arms and I have made some friends for life. We are there to support each other, not just with school stuff, but with life... and I know that if I need anything there is a FoSM not too far away ready to offer a helping hand or cup of tea!!

So if you want to join us or volunteer at events email secretary@friendsofstmarks.org. Thank you

FOSM Summer Fun Day 29th June 2019

We are looking for volunteers to help with the Summer Fun Day. If you are able to help, even for just for an hour, please email secretary@friendsofstmarks.org.

Your help enables these events to happen, lets the children have fun and raises funds for our school!
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Thank you

St Mark’s needs your help!
Thursday 11th July 2019
3.30-4.30pm
Jobs to include:
Painting Fences
Painting Picnic Benches
General gardening and tidy up

Childcare Provided!
There will be two Teaching Assistants Supervising children.

Please contact the school office if you are able to help.
Please let us know if you require childcare.
Thank you!
adminoffice@st-markscofe.hants.sch.uk

In worship this week, we are learning about William Wilberforce.

Class Attendance
Well done to class 3WG who achieved 100% attendance last week and class 2B with 99%

Birthday Parties
Groups, Meetings
www.stmarksprimary.net/hire
Win a £10 Festival Place Gift Voucher!

FOSM and St Mark’s would like to redesign the FOSM logo. Can you help? It can be hand drawn or using a computer. This is the current design, but can you give it a fresh look?!

Please give entries to the office by July 12th. Happy designing!

INSET DAYS 2019 2020

- **Wednesday 4th Sept 2019**
  - School starts Thurs 5th Sept

- **Friday 25th Oct 2019**
  - Monday 6th Jan 2020
  - Friday 3rd Apr 2020
  - Monday 1st Jun 2020

**FOSM**

- 29th June - Summer Fun Day

Key Dates for Secondary Schools

We felt it would be helpful to gather this information in one place:

**Brighton Hill School:**
- 28th June: Yr 5 Taster Day
- 11th & 12th June: Yr 6 Coffee Afternoon 2.15-4pm
- 4th & 5th July: Year 6 Induction days

**Aldworth School:**
- 28th June: Year 5 Taster Day
- 4th & 5th July: Year 6 Induction Days
- 17th & 18th Sept: Open Evenings 5.30-8pm
- 25th Sept: Open Morning 8.45-11am

**Bishop Challoner School:**
- 4th & 5th July: Year 6 Induction Days
- 19th Sept: Open Evening 6-8pm

**The Henry Beaufort School:**
- 26th & 27th June: Year 6 Induction Days
- 2nd & 3rd July: Year 5 Taster Days (Fully booked)
- 12th & 13th Sept: Open Mornings
- 12th Sept: Open Evening

**Cranbourne School:**
- 4th & 5th July: Year 6 Induction Days
- 10th July: Induction Evening 6pm
- 11th Sept: Open Evening 6-8.30pm

**Perins School:**
- 26th June: Year 6 Induction Day
- 27th & 28th June: Open Morning 9-11am
- 28th June: Open Evening 5-7pm
- 8th, 11th & 16th July: Year 5 Taster Days

**Hayfever**

We have had an increase in children showing hayfever symptoms.

If your child does suffer with this, could you please ensure they are given anti-histamine in the morning, before they come to school.

Please note the school office can only administer anti-histamine if it is prescribed by your GP.

**After School Care Club – Until 6pm**

**Available now!**

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

Don’t forget our new After School Care Club with SCL is now up and running. Please visit our website or [www.wearescl.co.uk](http://www.wearescl.co.uk) to book your child’s place.

**Windmill Hill Trip Payment (current Yr 5 pupils)**

This is just to remind you that payment of the final balance for November’s Windmill Hill trip is due by Friday 28th June.

**Year 6 Dates**

- 4th & 5th July - Year 6 Basingstoke Schools transition dates
- 15th July – 2pm Yr 5/6 Play Dress Rehearsal (Children only)
- 16th July – 7pm Yr 5/6 Play Performance
- 17th July – 2pm & 7pm Yr 5/6 Play Performance
- 19th July – Leaver’s Evening Graduation Party
- 23rd July – School Leaver’s Service at 9.45am (parents’ invited)

**Dates for your diary….**

**Summer Term**

- 28th June – Y5 Taster Day at Brighton Hill
- 1st July – Year 5 trip to Ufton Court
- 1st July – KS1 Choir performance, 4pm
- 5th July – Transition Day
- 9th July – Summer Concert
- 11th July- Ground Force Afternoon 3.30-4.30pm **
- 12th July- Sports Day
- 18th July – Parents Open Afternoon
- 23rd July – LAST DAY OF TERM
  **New Date**