Unique and Valued by God

The St Mark's Fortnightly News
16th June 2017

'A school where children develop the passion to learn, the skills to succeed and the confidence to take Christian values into our diverse society.'

Dear Pupils, Parents, Carers and Governors,

We have had a fantastic fortnight which has included a **Year 5** school journey (see pictures), a **Reception** trip to the Transport Museum, all classes from **Year 1 to Year 6** visiting Durning Library, participation in a maths tournament, a victory in a cricket match and cricket coaching with an International cricket team.

It was good to see so many parents present at last week's parents' evening. Many parents commented on the pleasing progress that was evident in their child's work books. This is the result of high quality teaching and learning across the school, which has contributed to significant improvements in pupils' academic outcomes throughout the past two years.

Please note the parent events that we would like you to take part in below:

Tuesday 20th June	Relationship Education workshop for parents 9am
Thursday 22nd June	Summer Fair Meeting for parents 9am
Thursday 22nd June	Bessie Wings Opera at Morley College 6.00pm
Friday 23rd June	Bessie Wings Opera at Morley College 7.00 pm
Thursday 29th June	Summer Fair meeting for parents 9am
Wednesday 12th July	Parent Showcase event 3.30-4.45am (new date)

Value of the Week

TRUST

Bible Verse: It Is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man

PROVERBS 4: 5,6

Prayer

Sadly some family members of our own school community have been affected by the tragic tower block fire this week. Please remember them in your prayers

What Has Been Happening at St Mark's?

On Tuesday our cricket team started competing in a 5 week Cricket League with a victory against Hillmead Primary School. It was a close match but St Mark's came out as winners with a score of 258 against Hillmead's score of 249. Their next match is on **Tuesday 20th June** against Vauxhall Primary School.

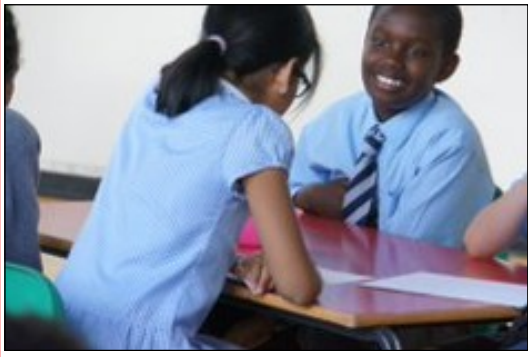
CRICKET AT THE OVAL

Last Wednesday, **Year 5** children had a fantastic opportunity to train with members of the Sri Lankan International Cricket team over at the Oval. The next day, the Sri Lankan Cricket team went on to beat India, which showed that Year 5 prepared them well!

DURNING LIBRARY

We are very please to continue our partnership with Durning Library and this week has seen children in **Years 1 -6** visit the library to borrow books. **Reception Class** will visit next week. Please take your children after school or on Saturdays. They can borrow up to 20 books, use the computers and also participate in a range of activities across the week. For more details visit their website on:

https://www.lambeth.gov.uk/places/durning-library



YEAR 5 MATHS TOURNAMENT

On Tuesday 13th June, **Gazim** and **Makeina** from **Year 5** and **Jacob** and **Natalie** from **Year 4** took part in a Mental Maths tournament involving 10 Lambeth schools. They did well and finished in fourth place.

SCHOOL DEMOCRACY

Last week on 8th June (the day of the election) children from **Year 1-6** took part in a vote of their own. They were involved in choosing what they wanted the money raised by the school PSA ON. In this picture members of the school council are involved in counting the ballot papers. The most popular choice was.

- Tables and Chairs in the Wild Life Garden and
- Outdoor Speakers that transmits music into the playground.

YEAR 5 Performance at Morley College

Our **Year 5** children are involved in this exciting opera. Outside of the Matinee times, Performance are on **Thursday 22nd June** at **6.00pm** and **Friday 23rd June** at **7.00pm** at **Morley College.** Tickets are **£5 for adults** and **£1 for children**. Please hand in payment in an envelope with your name on by **Monday 19th June**, please make it clear how many tickets you require and which performance you would like tickets for. Tickets will be available for collection on **Wednesday 21st June** from the school office. For more details, email:

admin@stmarkscofe.lambeth.sch.uk

. **Venue Address:** **Emma Cons Hall, Morley College**

61 Westminster Bridge Road,

London SE1 7HT

Summer Fair Update

Saturday 8th July 2017 1pm—4pm

We are busy preparing this Year's Summer Fair and we need everyone's help! Below are things that you can do to help us with preparations.

Soft Toy Tombola

Thank you for all of the soft toys that you have donated. Please continue to bring in unwanted soft toys that are in good condition and leave them on a table in the hall.

Jam Jar Tombola

Thank you for all of the jam jars that you have brought in; they are excellent. We will continue to collect these over the next two week, so please continue to bring them in for the Summer Fair

Second-hand Uniform

Do you have unwanted school uniform that is in good condition? Please donate to the school. This can be left in the school hall and will be sold in the summer fair.

Ice Lolly Friday

Each Friday, members of the PSA will be selling Ice Lollies in the school playground after school for 50p.

Volunteer Meetings

We look forward to seeing you at the parents volunteers' meetings on **Thursday 22nd and Thursday 29th June @ 9am**

Term 6 Important Dates

We do hope that you will be able to join us for many of the dates that we have planned for the rest of the term. Please note that our showcase event is now on **Wednesday 12th July from 3.30– 4.45pm**.

Monday 5th June 2017	**Term 6 begins**	Children return 8.55am
Monday 5th June 2017	Year 5 children at Intro University	9.30am -2.45pm
Friday 9th – Sat 10th June 2017	Year 5 visiting Walhampton Prep School	Overnight stay
Wednesday 14th June 2017	YR 3 & 4 Mini Football	9.30am – 12.30pm
Thursday 15th June 2017	YR5 Bessie workshop Vauxhall	1.30 – 3pm
Friday 16th June 2017	YR5 Bessie workshop Vauxhall	1.30 – 3pm
w/c Monday June 19th	Year 6 Cycle Confidence	All week
Monday 19th June 2017	Last orders for Tickets Bessie's Workshop	**Order at School Office**
Tuesday 20th June 2017	YR 4, Yr, 5 & 6 Oval Athletics Tournament	
Wednesday 21st June 2017	YR5 Bessie workshop	1.30 – 3pm
Thursday 22nd June 2017	YR5 Bessie workshop and performance	1.30 – 3pm
Friday 23rd – 24th June 2017	Year 5 Bessie workshop and performance	6.00pm
w/c Monday 26th JUNE 2017	MATHS Week	A focus on investigative maths
Monday 26th JUNE 2017	**Eid Celebration**	
Tuesday 27th JUNE 2017	YR5 & YR 6 Cricket League	Kennington Park 3.45pm-5pm
Wednesday 28th – Fri 30th June 2017	Year 6 School Journey	Rock UK In Tonbridge
Monday 3rd July 2017	Year 4 Into University Workshop	9.30am -11.00am
Tuesday 4th July 2017	YR5 & YR6 Cricket League	Kennington Park 3.45pm—5pm
Wednesday 5th JULY 2017	Sports Day	9.30am -12.00pm
Friday 7th July 2017	Year 6 Leavers Service	Southwark Cathedral 10.30am
Saturday 8th July 2017	School Summer Fair	1-4pm
Sunday 9th July 2017	YR 6 Leaver's Service St Mark's Church	10.00am
Tuesday 11th July 2017	Yr 5 & 6 Cricket League	Kennington Park 3.45pm—5pm
Wednesday 12th July 2017	**Parents Showcase Evening and reports**	**3.30pm**
Friday 14th July	Year 6 End of Year Production	6.00pm
Tuesday 18th July 2017	Awards Ceremony School hall	9.30am
Thursday 20th 2017	Year 6 leaving party	6-8pm
Friday 21st July 2017	**End of Term 6**	1.30pm

Low Cost/No Cost Family Fun in London

Please look at organisations' websites to double check times and arrangements

Trooping the Colour – Horse Guards Parade

FREE (All Ages)

Horse Guards, Whitehall, SW1A 2AX / 020 7414 2479 / www.royal.gov.uk

Nearest tube: Charing Cross/Westminster

Sat 17th Jun, 10am-1pm

This is a military parade to celebrate the Queen's official birthday and is probably the most spectacular of London's annual traditions, which includes a flypast by the Royal Air Force.

The Wild Day Out – Greenwich Peninsula Ecology Park

FREE (All Ages)

Thames Path, John Harrison Way, Greenwich Peninsula, SE10 0QZ / 020 7501 9501 / www.urbanecology.org.uk

Nearest tube: North Greenwich

Sun 18th Jun, noon-4pm

Dip into a wild range of wildlife taster sessions including: willow crown weaving, pond dipping, wacky wildlife quiz trails & bees and wildlife gardening workshops. Plus, the Wiggly Wild Show where visitors will be introduced to real life reptiles & creepy crawlies, such as snakes, giant millipedes & hissing cockroaches!

Art Exhibition - Horniman Museum

FREE (All ages)

100 London Road, SE23 3PQ / 020 8699 1872 / www.horniman.ac.uk

Buses: 176, 185, 312, P4, 63, 122, P13

Sat 17th June, & Sun 18th June, 10.30am-4.30pm

Join us for the 26th annual Friend's Art Exhibition which showcases paintings, prints, textile art and sculptures from South London's artistic community.

Sirens, storms, and suitors - National Gallery

FREE (Ages 5-11)

National Gallery, Trafalgar Square, WC2N 5DN / 020 7747 2885 / www.nationalgallery.org.uk

Nearest tube: Charing Cross

Sun 18th Jun, 11am-1pm . Using the work of the artist Pintoricchio's Penelope as your inspiration, enjoy capturing your creations through triptych.

Creative workshop– Kidesign

FREE (Ages 5-12)

Sat 17th Jun, 2pm-5pm

26 Lambeth High Street, London, SE11 6AT/ https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/den-day-a-creative-workshop-with-densters-save-the-children-tickets-34703554265

Nearest tube: Vauxhall

Buses: 77, 507, 344, 360, C10

You are invited to take part in art and design workshop and learn about product design by designing your own toys, sketching and making models of them. You are invited to take part in art and design workshop by designing your own toys, sketching and making models of them.