Unique and Valued by God

The St Mark's Fortnightly Newsletter

5th July 2019

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

Dear Pupils, Parents, Carers and Governors,

Summer Fair

Many thanks for your support for this year's summer fair, it was one of our best to date and saw wonderful contributions and donations from pupils, parents, staff, governors and community groups. Many thanks to Coco's Grill, Streamz Café, Amici Restaurant, The Sugar Pot Café, Morley College, Dance Da Liberdade, GGL Brixton, Black Prince Community Hub, Tesco's Kennington, Nando's, Evergreen Taekwondo and Steve Wilson at Surrey Cricket, for their raffle donations and support.

End of Year Events

There are a number of events planned for the next two weeks, please see page 5 for further details. There may be some spare tickets for the Year 6 end of year production of 'Matilda the Musical' available from the school office.
If you would like some, we suggest a donation of £1.00.

Value of the Week

Community and living well together

Getting ready for the next phase of Journey

BIBLE VERSE

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." Joshua 1.9

Attendance and Punctuality

Nursery— 88.47%

Reception— 84%

Year 1— 96.15%

Year 2— 96.8%

Year 3— 96%

Year 4— 96%

Year 5— 92.14%

Year 6— 96%

WOW and WELL DONE!

To the following classes who achieved over 96.%:

Years 1, 2, 3, 4 & 6

Remember that poor attendance not only has an impact on your child's learning, it affects the whole school attendance rate.

What has been happening at St Mark's

YEAR 6 SCHOOL JOURNEY to Kingswood (Isle of Wight)

"The School Journey was a wonderful adventure! We were able to learn about team work and came together as a family. At Kingswood we went on activities such as the 3g-swing and leap of faith, which were both 'freakishly' high! Everyone enjoyed going to the shop and choosing gifts from all the wonderful items that were on offer."

By Juanita, Year 6 student

Sports Day Results

We have had two fantastic sports days across the school . Many thanks to all parents and family members who supported. The winning team for the Key Stage 1 and 2 Sports Day was **YELLOW TEAM**.

What has been happening at St Mark's

Nursery & Reception Welcome Morning (Stay & Play Session)

Not only are Year 6 transitioning to the next phase of their learning, our Nursery and Reception children are 'big children' now and are preparing for next year. This week we also had a Stay and Play Session for new children starting in September. They all enjoyed being around and getting to know their new nursery. Both Nursery and Reception are nearly full for September 2019.

Collective Worship: Community and Living well together— The Fruit of the Spirit

On Wednesday, Mrs Cooper, from the Metropoitan Tabernacle, reminded us about how we should be grateful for what we have instead of having a complaining spirit. Besides we were challenged on how we should be: kind, truthful, meek, peacemakers (the fruit of the Spirit of God) and how these characteristics will help us all, and especially Year 6 going to Secondary school, to build good and fruitful relationships.

Year 6 Level 1 and 2 Cycling

This week children from Year 6 have been gaining some bikeability skills. They have been learning how to use gears and avoid obstacles, to look all around and behind, staying in control of their bike and to share space with the pedestrians and other cyclists.

Those in level 2 have been around on the road, and learnt how to identify and react to potential hazards, use road positioning effectively, and pass parked cars or slower moving vehicles and navigate side roads.

Year 5 and 6 girls street festival

Our Year 5 & 6 girls took part in a day of activities at Kennington Park. The girls enjoyed street dancing, zorbing, juice biking and other fun activities.

Message for Year 5 Parents

Please come into school for a short meeting on Wednesday 10th July at 8. 45 am in the Art Room relating to Secondary School. It is very important that you begin the process of researching school now and don't leave it until September. Guidance will be provided in the meeting

Waterloo foodbank

Week commencing	Monday Contact Louisa on louisa.parrales@oasiswaterloo.org	Tuesday Contact Sarina on playspace@oasiswaterloo.org	Wednesday Contact Sarina on playspace@oasiswaterloo.org	Thursday Contact Louisa on louisa.parrales@oasiswaterloo.org	Friday Contact Holly on farm@oasiswaterloo.org
22 July					**Summer Launch and free lunch at the Farm** All ages welcome, 11am-2pm
29 July	**Family Day at Playspace** Free workshops, art and craft, games, with lunch included. All ages welcome, from 10am-1pm.	**Family Day at Playspace** Free workshops, art and craft, games, with lunch included. All ages welcome, from 10am-1pm.	**Trip: Kew Gardens** Breakfast included, BYO Lunch. All ages welcome, meet at 9.30am at **Playspace**. Limited space, please book. Adults £5, kids £3 - train travel included.	**Active and fun!** Free family activities, sports, games and cooking for all ages at **Oasis Academy Johanna.** From 10am-2pm Limited space, please book.	**Friday Feasts** Play, eat, relax, repeat! A **free lunch**

Harvest Collection Challenge

Waterloo foodbank

Name: Form:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Coffee	Tinned Dessert	Tinned Meat or Fish	Rice	UHT Milk
Donated ☐	Donated ☐	Donated ☐	Donated ☐	Donated ☐

Thank you

Your donations will make a big difference!

The Waterloo Foodbank is giving free summer holidays food packages. If you are interested, please do pick them up at the office. They will also be running workshops and activities throughout July and August. A full time table can be collected from the office if you are interested.

Term 6 Key Dates for July 2019

Monday 8th July 2019	After school provision at the Oval YR 4/5	3.30 – 6pm
w/c Monday 8th – 19th July 2019	Health, Fitness & Well-being Fortnight	
Tuesday 9th July 2019	Church Service at St Mark's	9.20 am
Wednesday 10th July 2019	Nursery setting visits	
Wednesday 10th July 2019	Mini Athletics YR 1 & 2	9.30 – 12.30 Kennington park
Friday 12th July 2019	Award Ceremony	Invitation only
Friday 12th July 2019	Early years party	1.10pm
FRIDAY 12TH July 2019	YR6 End of year production and dinner	6-8pm Ticket only access
Friday 12th July 2019	Reception Graduation	2.30pm
Sunday 14th July 2019	Leaver's service at St Mark's Church	10 am
Monday 15th July 2019	YR4 at a Ballet performance at the oval	1.45 – 2.45pm
Wednesday 17th July 2019	Showcase Evening & Reports	3.30-4.45pm
Friday 19th July 2019	Last day of term	School finishes at 1.30pm

After School Clubs

Last day of Clubs Friday 12th of July. From September 2019 After School Clubs will be have to be booked and payed through ParentPay. More information to come next week.