Unique and Valued by God

The St Mark's News
27th May 2016
Weekly Newsletter

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

We come to the end of a long and very busy term in which all members of the school community have played an active roll in promoting the school and taking it to the next stage on its journey to outstanding. Governors and senior leaders have been busy discussing and making plans for the long term success of the school. Parents have been fully involved in: promoting the school to friends and neighbours; participating in school based work-shops and in forming and promoting greater parent participation in the life of the school through the PTA. Children have been fully engaged and committed to their learning which has involved all classes across the school taking part in learning activities outside of school.

This term has also seen stronger links being made and established with a range of partners within the local area, including Tenisons, the Kia Oval, the Oval Tube station, local primary schools and businesses. This means the education of pupils at St Mark's will be enriched through additional opportunities and activities and enable children to secure outstanding all-round outcomes.

Our priority for the pupils of St Mark's is that they develop into well-rounded individuals who have a range of skills, who love learning and who are in-creasingly being shaped by Christian values of showing compassion, working hard, being account-able, showing respect and establishing relationships based on trust.

Well done Year 1!

Year 1 led collective worship on Thursday to the rest of the school and also in front of a large collection of parents. They did exceptionally well as they shared the message of 'Creation'

Plenty to do this half Term

Please take advantage of the large range of free or very low cost events that are being run during half term week. A number of these events are very local so book now to avoid disappointment. View the community section of our website for more details.

www.stmarkscofeprimarylambeth.co.uk

Theme: The schools vision statement

Week 6: The confidence to take Christian Values into a diverse society

Bible Verse: **Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good deeds and glorify your father in heaven. Matthew 5:16**

Friends of St Mark's

The energy and effort of our new PSA/PTA is truly inspiring. Last week they organised auditions for a talent show, in order to raise funds for our Summer School Fair on Saturday July 9th from 1-4pm. Preparations are fully underway for the summer fair. Please remember that you are automatically a member of the PSA by being a parent of a child at the school. Contact Vivian (Ziva's mum in Year 2) or Viola (Thaisa's mum in Year 5) to find out how you can help. We need food, people to run stalls, people to help with activities and events and to generally play an active role leading up to the Summer Fair on the day.

Non-School Uniform Day

Pay £1.00 and come in your own clothes on 10th June. All money will go towards the organisation of the summer fair on July 9th.

ST MARK'S
Church of England Primary School

GOT TALENT

★ THE FINAL ★ ★

Friday 10th JUNE 2016

4.30pm to 6:00pm

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Tickets are £1 for children and £1.50 for adults– available in the school playground Tues 7th to Thurs 9th June

Feedback from the Auditions

The three judges met and the final twelve are as follows:

Headline Entertainment: Katie and her partner

Better Dancing Group -year 6

Precious Light group - year 5

Tolu - Ballet - year 2

Louie - guitar and song - year 3

Ziva - hula hoop - year 2

Malakai - year 5

Two Some - year 5

Spice girls - year 3

Gracie - year 3

Ryan & TK - year 2 - Spider-Man

Dante and Khanye

Lorraine (piano) and the Dazzling girls

All other groups will form a super group and will perform at the beginning and end of the talent show. Children to wear red and choir to wear white. Rehearsals on Wednesday

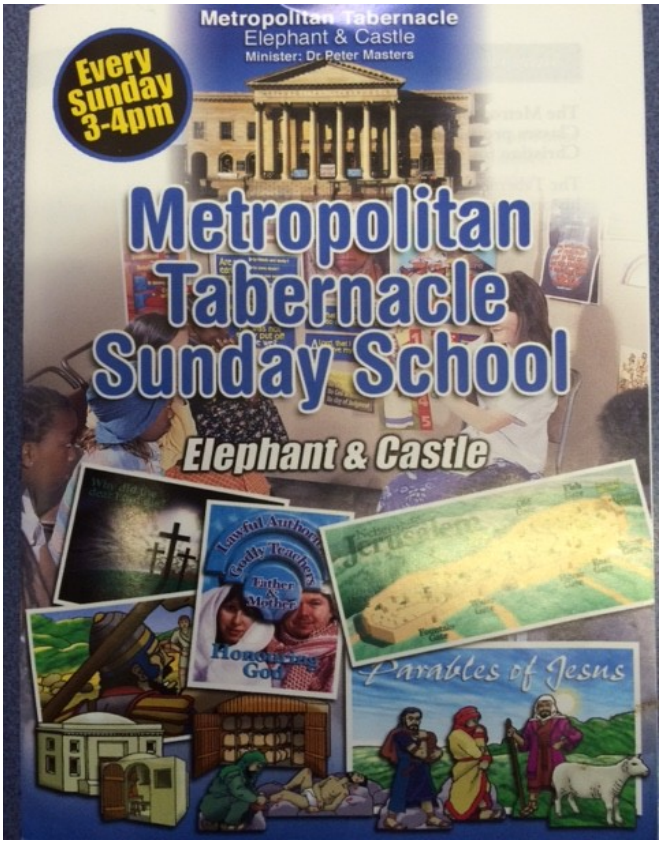
The confidence to take Christian Values into our diverse society

During the week, we considered with the children the importance of making sure our faith leads to action through the way that we live, behave and help and support other people . The children heard about some of the outreach work that local churches do within the local community.

Saturday's 11.00-12.15 at St Mark's Kennington

This is a free event for all ages, beginning with an activity in the churchyard, followed by refreshments, crafts, games, challenges and a closing story and celebration in St Mark's Church. A hands-on way of exploring faith together. Children need to be accompanied by an adult; adults do not have to be accompanied by a child!

Sunday School at the Metropolitan Tabernacle Baptist Church Sundays 3-4pm



Low Cost/No Cost Family Fun in London

Spring Spectacular - Vauxhall City Farm

FREE (Family Fun)

165 Tylers Street, London, SE11 5HS / 020 7582 4204 / www.vauxhallcityfarm.org

Nearest tube: Vauxhall

Sat 28th May - Sun 5th Jun, 11am-3pm

Take part in a week of fun activities to celebrate the opening of the New Education Centre and Old Dairy Café! Each day the farm will be running animal handling sessions, nature craft workshops and face painting plus a whole host of timed events including sheep shearing demonstrations, pony rides and kids clubs.

Morley College Family Fun FREE (Ages under 14, max 2 children per adult)

61 Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7HT / 020 7450 1929 / www.morleycollege.ac.uk

Nearest tube: Lambeth North / Busses: 59, 159

Wed 1st- Fri 3rd Jun, 11am-2pm

This half term Morley is bringing you 3 days of exciting, fun and engaging family activities and workshops to allow you to play and learn together. There's something for everyone including circus skills, face painting, felt flower making, t-shirt paining, collage storytelling, vegetable printing, tote bag decorating and much more!

Contemporary Portraits - National Portrait Gallery FREE (Ages 5+)

St Martins Place, Westminster City, WC2H 0HE / 020 7306 0055 / www.npg.org.uk

Nearest tube: Leicester Square

Transitional Towers – Mon 30th May, 11am-1pm & 2pm-4pm. Take part in an experimental session to create large-scale portrait structures and sculptures exploring themes around change and growing up.

Common Threads – Tue 31st May, 11.30am-1pm & 2.30pm-4pm. Explore the Gallery to create giant woven images using fibres and images to think about abstract portraits of you and your family.

Who Are You Looking At? - Wed 1st Jun, 11.30am-1pm & 2.30pm-4pm. Take part in a creative session focussing on how artists make portraits and then, experiment with different materials and techniques to create your own portrait.

Family Photographic Art Workshop – Thu 2nd – Fri 3rd Jun, 11.30am-1pm & 2.30pm-4pm. Visit the photographic studio to create a sculptural photographic portrait using everyday objects and inspired by the collections. During the session, you will be supported to create a special family portrait.

Unless it is a drop-in, tickets are available one hour in advance of the workshop start.

Half-term Family Fun - Horniman Museum FREE (Ages 3+)

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

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

10.30am-5.30pm daily

Wooly Sheep Models – Mon 30th –Tue 31st May, 11am-2.45pm. Make your own wooly sheep and then create a field for them to live in.

Big Wednesday: Cook and the Kangaroo – Wed 1st Jun, 11am-3.30pm. Take part in a day of fun activities that will encourage you to find out more about strange animals from far-away lands as well as some a bit closer to home! **Flyaway Bugs and Beetles** – Thu 2nd –Fri 3rd June, 11am-2.45pm. Create a bug or beetle that can fly as you run!

Take a tour with Mr Horniman – Fri 3rd Jun, 11.30am, 1.15pm & 3pm (tours last 45 mins). Mr Horniman has stepped out of his time machine in his top hat and tails to give you a special tour of his museum. He has some fantastic stories to tell and loves an audience!