



ST. MARK'S R.C PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Headteacher's Message

Dear parents/carers,

Wow! What a fantastic week we have had in school. The highlight has to be our Key Stage 2 Dance Festival which took place on Wednesday and Thursday evening.

All of the children performed their routines incredibly well with smiles on their faces! Thank you to all of those parents and family members who were able to attend the Dance Festival; having an uplifting audience really supports the children and encourages them! A huge thank you to all of the staff who have prepared the dances, the costumes and the music. We really couldn't put on such amazing performances without the dedication of the wonderful team that we have here at St Mark's! Photos and videos from the Dance Festival are currently being put together. We will let you know how you can access these once they are ready.

Tonight your child should have received some exciting information about their new teachers and year group. Please read through this information with your child. Transition can be quite a nerve racking time for children, and we want to support them in any way that we can.

On Tuesday, we have our first transition morning of the year, where the children will visit their new classrooms and spend some time with their new teachers and teaching assistants ahead of September. This is a really good opportunity for them to ask questions, locate their new classrooms and get a feel for their new year group. On Tuesday morning, the children will enter through the door which they will use in September. Staff will be present on the school playground to help guide you to the entrance that your child will use. We ask that Year 6 come in through the main entrance on this day as they will be registered by Mrs Smith in the school hall. At 11.15am, children will then return to their normal classrooms to continue their day as usual. All staff are really looking forward to spending time with their new classes!

And finally, last Saturday, some of our wonderful Year 3 children received their First Holy Communion. It was a beautiful service and the children behaved so well. Father Ernest was so impressed with the children's conduct and their responses to his questions. We are incredibly proud of you all! The children have had a lovely party today to celebrate their First Holy Communion...it involved a lot of cake!

We hope you have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Woodruff



Important Dates for Next week

- **Monday 7th July-** Year 6 Leavers' Trip to Salford Water Sports Centre. Mrs Smith has sent a very long email with information regarding all of the Year 6 events happening next week. Please make sure you read this email.
- Year 5 Bikeability- Those children taking part must walk their bikes onto the playground. An email has been sent out regarding Bikeability and what the children need.
- **Tuesday 8th July-** Transition morning, children will enter school through their new year group entrance.
- Nursery Group 1 stay and play- 9.15-10.00am
- Reception stay and play- 9.30-10.30am
- Nursery Group 2 stay and play- 10.30-11.15am
- **Wednesday 9th July-** 9.30am Year 6 Leavers' Mass in the school hall. 2 parents per child are welcome to join us.
- Key Stage 1 Disco- 3.15-4.15pm. Please make sure you pick your child up at 4.15pm from the school playground.
- **Thursday 10th July-** 5.00pm- Year 6 to return to school for their 'Dine and Dance' celebrations
- Key Stage 2 Disco is at a later time of 6.15- 7.15pm to allow Year 6 to enjoy their Leavers' celebrations. Please make sure an adult is here promptly at 7.15pm to pick up your child.
- Year 6 to stay for their Camp Over on the school field!
- **Friday 11th July-** Last day to buy festival tickets on the ScoPay app.
- Year 6 to be picked up by an adult at 1.30pm following the Camp Over.
- Reports will be sent home.
- Own clothes for Year 3 for highest attendance!

Class	Attendance this week
N	92.6%
R	95.9%
Y1	98.3%
Y2	97%
Y3	98.7%
Y4	97%
Y5	91.9%
Y6	97.5%
Whole school	96.1%

