



ST. MARK'S R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Headteacher's Message



Dear parents/carers,
It has been another busy week here at school, with many opportunities for our children to learn, grow, and celebrate together.

Our Year 5 pupils have successfully completed their Bikeability training this week. The staff who accompanied them were very impressed with the children's behaviour, enthusiasm, and determination throughout the course. We hope the children have gained valuable skills and confidence, and that they will be able to use these safely and responsibly in the coming summer months.

Well done to our netball team who took part in a tournament at Holy Family Primary School on Wednesday. The team played exceptionally well and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship throughout. We are incredibly proud of their efforts and the way they represented our school—well done to all involved!

Thank you to our Year 4 class for leading a beautiful assembly yesterday on St Mark. The children spoke with confidence and reverence, and their singing, as always, brought great joy to everyone present.

Today, we came together as a school community to celebrate our Patron Saint, Saint Mark. Thank you for your support in making the day so special. The children enjoyed wearing their own clothes, sharing in a delicious Italian-themed lunch, and attending Mass or a class-based celebration. This afternoon, they spent time in their Virtue Hero Houses, taking part in a variety of creative activities to mark the occasion.

Saint Mark, the author of one of the four Gospels, is known for his clear and action-focused account of the life of Jesus. His symbol is the winged lion, representing courage and strength, and his message reminds us to live our faith with confidence and compassion. As a school, we continue to be inspired by his example of spreading the Good News with hope and determination.

As we come to the end of another busy week, we thank you, as always, for your continued support. We wish you all a restful and enjoyable weekend with your families.

Best wishes, Mrs Woodruff

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Class	Attendance
N	85.7%
R	94.7%
Y1	93.6%
Y2	86.1%
Y3	95.2%
Y4	97.6%
Y5	98.7%
Y6	98.7%

WHOLE SCHOOL 95.0%

IMPORTANT NOTICE: We are aiming to use Studybugs more in our messages to parents, including sending out the newsletter.

If you have not yet downloaded the Studybugs App, you may not receive these messages.

If you are unsure how to do this, please contact the school office.

Important Dates for next week

Thursday 30th April - Y3 Assembly - May the Month of Our Lady - 9.30am in the School Hall. Parents of Y3 are invited to join us.

Friday 1st May - Y3 and Y4 will attend Mass at St. Mark's Church at 10am for the Celebration of the month of Our Lady.

Own clothes day for Y5 and Y6 for the highest attendance this week.

Y5 Swimming.

