



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



## Headteacher's Message



Dear parents and carers,

It has been another busy week at St. Mark's and we are now half-way through this academic year; where has the time gone?

Today, Y5 had their first swimming lesson. They were all very excited this morning when they arrived in school. Your children were exceptionally well behaved at the pool and worked very hard. After the walk to the pool, their hour lesson and then the walk back, we hope you will have a very peaceful evening!

Y4 and Y6 have been to visit RHS Bridgewater this week. Again, the children represented St. Mark's beautifully and had an interesting – and damp – day exploring seed dispersal, testing the pH of different soils and building dens.

Some of Y6 have also been to Ambrose Barlow R.C. High School this week as part of their transition programme.

Each class has come to the end of the latest unit in our new R.E. Scheme. Y4 have been loving this unit and have consolidated their learning about the Kingdom of God.

As the half term holiday begins, we hope you have a blessed and peaceful break. Thank you to all our families for your incredible support. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on the 23rd of February.

Mrs Woodruff



Class	WEEKLY ATTENDANCE	HALF TERM WINNERS
	Attendance	Attendance
<b>Y1</b>	<b>94.2%</b>	<b>92.3%</b>
<b>Y2</b>	<b>88.3%</b>	<b>88.7%</b>
<b>Y3</b>	<b>94.3%</b>	<b>95.2%</b>
<b>Y4</b>	<b>93.7%</b>	<b>94.8%</b>
<b>Y5</b>	<b>87.4%</b>	<b>90.2%</b>
<b>Y6</b>	<b>96%</b>	<b>96.7%</b>
<b>WHOLE SCHOOL</b>	<b>92.9%</b>	<b>93.4%</b>



### Important Dates for the first week back

#### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

- School re-opens

#### Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February

- Own clothes day for Year 4 for highest attendance this week
- Year 2 assembly in school at 9:30am - parents of Year 2 children are very welcome to join us

#### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February

- Own clothes day for Year 4 for highest attendance this half term
- Year 3 and Year 6 will attend 10am Mass at St. Mark's - parents are very welcome to join us at Mass
- Year 5 children swimming lesson