



St Mark's STAR



9th May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

What a weekend! We are so proud of everyone who took part in the amazing Children's Parade on Saturday! It was such an amazing event. Ms Brown, with help from Miss Crouch and Miss Fowle and many others, worked tirelessly to build Luna, the grey wolf. Luna represents the reintroduction of the Grey Wolf to Yellowstone National Park which has impacted positively on the ecosystem.



KS2 Tests– Year 6 have really let their lights shine today as they undertook their first KS2 SATs tests. We are so proud of them all. The tests are just a snapshot of all they have accomplished in their time at St. Mark's. While you cannot see the amazing artists, historians and sporting successes from the test results, they are important to show how far they have come on their learning journey so far. We are welcoming Y6 in to school from 8.30am each day for a snack and to relax before the tests start.

Trips– Year 2 loved their trip to Drusillas. The hairy armadillo was a big hit, the hissing cockroaches were not as popular! This Friday they have a sneak peek of the Animal Place installation they were involved in. We urge you to also pop along and have a look! More information here: <https://brightonfestival.org/whats-on/animal-place-4879/> The Spire is open Friday 20–Sunday 22 May, Friday 27–Sunday 29 May. It is open on Fridays from 3–9pm, Saturday & Sunday 11am–5pm. Next week Y1 are off to the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust in Arundel to learn about lifecycles and pond dipping, Year 3 and 4 have a visit from Into University, Year 3 visit Rampion Visitor Centre and Reception visit Roedean Farm!

PTA coffee and chat– We need your help! We really want to get moving with plans for the Summer Fair and Frozen Fridays. We will be meeting on Monday 16th May at 9am so please stay after drop off, sign in at the office and join us for a cuppa and some planning! We need help to man Frozen Fridays, which will be on Fridays from 3-3.30, selling ice creams from the community room. Many hands make light work – please speak to Miss Moulson or Mrs Sellins or pop along to the meeting.

Dates for the diary– On the next page please find some useful dates for your diary! Please make a note of next year's term dates as well. We urge you not to book a holiday during term time. These will not be authorised and you may receive a fine.

Well done to our Stars of the Week!



Helga, Sabrina, Harley, Mohammed, Tulisa, Lewis and Sean

YOU ALL LET YOUR LIGHTS SHINE!

If you have any queries, please email info@stmarks.brighton-hove.sch.uk

Wishing you all a safe and happy week! Miss Moulson and all at St Mark's

Don't forget-
PE kits need to be in
school at all times!

Dates for your diary, these will be updated regularly.

* KS2 SATS week– 9th May– 12th May
* Y3/4 Tri Golf Tournament– 13th May
* Year 1 Trip to Arundel WWT– Tuesday 17th May
* Year 3 and Year 4 Into University Workshops– Tuesday 17th May
* Reception Visit to Roedean Farm– Wednesday 18th May
* Year 3 visit to Rampion Visitor Centre– Friday 20th May
* Year 2 visit to The Spire– Friday 20th May
* Year 1 and Year 4 visit to Berwick Church– Tuesday 24th May
* May Birthday Breakfast– Thursday 26th May
* Jubilee Celebrations– Thursday 26th May
* May Half-term– No School– 30th May– 3rd June
* INSET DAY– NO SCHOOL FOR PUPILS– Monday 6th June
* Year 4 Community Kitchen Visits– Tuesdays in June
* RE Day Years 3 and 4– City Mission– Wednesday 8th June
* Years 5 and 6 Wakehurst Trip– Thursday 16th June
* Hindleap Warren Residential– Year 5– Monday 20th– Wednesday 22nd June
* Connor Saunders Foundation Visiting Year 6– Monday 27th June
* June Birthday Breakfast– Thursday 30th June
* Y6 Transition Day (City Wide)– Friday 1st July
* Y6 Into University Transition Day– Wednesday 6th July
* End of term– Thursday 21st July
* Back to School– Monday 5th September

Please can children not bring in toys from home, unless small transition objects have been agreed with the class teacher or Miss Crouch. This includes cuddly toys. We do not want them to get lost or damaged. Thank you!

2022-2023	Starts	Finishes	INSET DAYS
Autumn Term 1	Monday 5th September 2022	Friday 21st October 2022	Thursday 1st September, Friday 2nd September 2022
Autumn Term 2	Monday 31st October 2022	Friday 16th December 2022	
Spring Term 1	Wednesday 4th January 2023	Friday 10th February 2023	Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Spring Term 2	Monday 20th February 2023	Friday 31st March 2023	
Summer Term 1	Tuesday 18th April 2023	Friday 26th May 2023	Monday 17th April 2023 Monday 1st May (Bank holiday)
Summer Term 2	Tuesday 6th June 2023	Friday 21st July 2023	

Reminder about School uniform:

Please make sure your child is in full school uniform each day and their PE kit is in school on their peg. Black shoes only should be worn, please note that boots are not school uniform:

- * White polo shirt (plain or school logo)
- * St Mark's jumper, cardigan or fleece,
- * Plain grey or black trousers / skirts, plain grey or black shorts (knee length), Blue & white check summer dress,
- * PE kits- white PE T Shirt (plain or school logo), black PE shorts, black plimsolls or trainers
- * Plain black shoes with a low heel, all shoes must cover toes and have a back or strap to protect heels,
- * Plain grey, black or white socks or tights.
- * Only stud earrings may be worn and hair longer than shoulder length should be tied up.

THE MAYDAY MILE

**Brighton
Mayday Mile
Sponsored Walk**

**From Hove Beach to Brighton Marina
Saturday 14 May**

Mayday is a call for help – and RNLI lifesavers need yours.
Kick off your summer and be a lifesaver by taking part in
the Mayday Mile. Will you answer the call?

Sign up at RNLI.org/MaydayBrighton

The RNLI is the charity that saves lives at sea.
The Royal National Lifeboat Institution, a charity registered in England and Wales (206202), Scotland (SC037724),
the Republic of Ireland (CHI 2678 and 2000324), the Bailiwick of Jersey (14), the Isle of Man (1388 and 066209),
the Bailiwick of Guernsey and Alderney, of West Quay Road, Poole, Dorset, BH15 1EJ

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Information from the RNLI:

The RNLI Brighton are holding a sponsored walk, which is taking place on Saturday 14th May from Hove Lagoon to the Lifeboat Station in Brighton Marina. We're asking people of all ages to get involved and walk as much of the 4.5 mile route as they can to raise sponsorship for the RNLI and help us save lives at sea.

This is a new event for us, and we're trying to make more people in Brighton aware of the lifeboat and what to do if you're in trouble at sea. Many people don't even know we're here! We want to make a big success of this year's walk and show people in the local community our lifeboat station and crew.

We would love your support, so if you want to dust off those walking boots and get involved, please let sign up here: RNLI.org/MaydayBrighton