



# St. Mark's Newsletter



3rd March 2017

## Student of the Week

**Nursery** AM Rueben  
 McCauley PM Declan Hughes  
**Reception**  
 George Kingston  
**Year 1**  
 Kaylen Alexander  
**Year 2**  
 James Campbell  
**Year 3**  
 Nathan O'Neill  
**Year 4**  
 Milly Alcock  
**Year 5**  
 All of Year 5  
**Year 6**  
 Freya Spendlove

## Mass:

Children and staff attended St. Mark's Church to celebrate Mass with Father Mathew on Tuesday. Thank you to the parents/carers and parishioners who joined us. The children read, listened and sang beautifully, even getting a round of applause at the end.

## Parents' Evening:

Parents' evening is on Tuesday 7th and Thursday 9th March after school. You will have received a time slot from your child's teacher. If this time is inconvenient, please contact school and we will re-arrange your appointment.

**Please note there will be no after school clubs on these days.**

## Football Competition:

Our Year 5 football team played extremely well on Thursday in a competition at Prescot Soccer Centre. They came 2nd in their league. Well done team.

## World Book Day:

It was wonderful to see so many children and staff dressed up as their favourite book characters. We held a special assembly so that the children could show their costumes and favourite books to the whole school. Photographs have been published on our website and Twitter page.

Author Paul McDermott visited the school and read an extract from his book 'Rocking Horse Droppings' to Year 4 and 5.

## School Funding:

Part of the schools funding is based on the number of pupils who are eligible for free school meals. If you think you may be eligible for free meals for your child, please call in to the school office to collect a form. Forms are also available to print from our website. Please see the reverse of this newsletter to see if you qualify.

## Parentapp:

If you have not already downloaded our new app, you can do so by searching 'St Marks Primary' via the App Store and Google Play.

## Gangsta Granny:

We have booked for Year 3 – 6 to watch 'Gangsta Granny' at the Empire Theatre on Thursday 20th April. The cost of the trip is £12.00. Letters will be sent home soon with further details. We thought we would notify you now in order for you to start saving trip money in school.

## Good Manners

**Nursery** AM Isabella Berry  
 PM Thomas Brown  
**Reception**  
 Sophie Jameson  
**Year 1**  
 Noah Thomas  
**Year 2**  
 Sienna Tagoe  
**Year 3**  
 Callum Doyle  
**Year 4**  
 Junior Tagoe  
**Year 5**  
 Stephanie Morley  
**Year 6**  
 Noah Jewell

## Year 6 Residential:

We have booked to take Year 6 to PGL (an activity holiday) on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017. The cost of the trip is £130.00. It is a good idea to start saving weekly for this trip rather than paying the full amount in one go.

## Parent Workshops:

'Understanding your child's behaviour' continues next week, running for a further 6 weeks at 1.00pm on Tuesday. All parents are welcome to attend.

## After School Activities:

Monday	4.00 - 5.00pm - Musicality Productions Dance/Drama Rec-Y6
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>NO CLUBS due to Parents' Evening</b>
	3.15 - 4.15pm - 1:1 Tuition Y6
Wednesday	3.10 - 4.00pm - Multisports Y3-6
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>NO CLUBS due to Parents' Evening</b>

Mrs Kaye is currently reading 'The Lost Swimmer' by Ann Turner.

## Science Award

**Reception**  
 Jacob Jackson  
**Year 1**  
 Logan Pogoe  
**Year 2**  
 Anthony Mulhearn  
**Year 3**  
 Zak Holmes  
**Year 4**  
 Kieron Dinn  
**Year 5**  
 Callum Burke  
**Year 6**  
 Grace Dinn

20/02/17 – 24/02/17

Attendance

Reception

94%

Year 1

95%

Year 2

94%

Year 3

96%

Year 4

93%

Year 5

94%

Year 6

95%

Punctuality

98%

99%

99%

99%

97%

97%

99%

### **Free School Meals**

To qualify for free school meals, a parent should be in receipt of one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income Based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-Related Employment Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit and income of less than £16,190 (but not if you are in work and receiving Working Tax Credit
- The Guarantee element of State Pension Credit
- Support under part VI of the immigration and Asylum Act 1999

If you receive Housing Benefit and/or Council Tax Benefit, you do not need to complete an application form, you will be entitled automatically.