17th September 2021

# St. Mark's Newsletter

In a caring Christian community together we love, learn, laugh and achieve.

## Covid Safety Measures in School:

We are still implementing Covid safety measures in school to ensure the safety of our pupils and staff.

Please remember that **COVID-19** symptoms are a **high temperature, a new continuous cough and loss of taste and smell**. If your child has any of these **COVID-19** symptoms they must stay off school and please inform staff of their illness.

There have been changes to the national self-isolation guidance where people under the age of 18½ years old or people who have been double vaccinated are not required to self isolate if they have been in contact with a positive case. A letter from Knowsley Council has been sent home via the school app with further details, this is also available on our school website.

## Attendance Award:

We have two tickets for Gandy's Circus which we will put in to a hat next Friday for children who receive 100% attendance and punctuality next week. You've got to be in… to win!

## Year 6 Swimming:

Year 6 continue with their swimming lessons next week. These continue for a further 2 weeks every Tuesday and Wednesday afternoon.

## Nasal Flu Campaign:

Nasal flu vaccination is available to all children from Reception to Year 6. Please complete the online application to either opt in or opt out of your child/ren receiving the nasal flu vaccination. If you require a paper copy please notify school.

https://forms.merseycare.nhs.uk/immunisation-consent-forms/flu-vaccination/

## School Photographs:

If you would like to order school photographs, please return the pack with payment by Monday 27th September. Alternatively you can order them online following the instructions detailed on the pack.

## Quintet Music Concert:

We were overjoyed to welcome a fabulous Quintet from Manchester Concerto to school on Tuesday. They performed a small classical music concert for Year 3-5 which included 5 musical instruments, a violin, flute, bassoon, French horn and percussion.

## Assembly:

We held a zoom assembly today. Mr Coakley spoke about British Values and what makes up our identities. Children were awarded with their weekly awards.

Congratulations to all the children who received an award this week.

## Primary and Secondary Admissions:

The application process is open for Reception and Year 7 admissions for September 2022. Please visit your local authority website to apply for a school place. The closing date for Primary 2022 is 15th January 2022 and the closing date for Secondary 2022 is 31st October 2021. Please ensure you have applied before the closing dates.

If you are applying for a Reception place at St. Mark's and wish to apply under the Faith criteria you will also be required to complete a Supplementary Faith Form and provide a copy of your child's baptism certificate. Copies have been sent home this week.

If you are applying for a secondary school place, we advice that you visit secondary schools websites to find out dates of open evenings. We appreciate that applying for a secondary school can be difficult. Whilst we can not advise you on which school to apply for, we are here to help if anyone is having difficulty, please contact school if you require any support.

| | Attendance | Punctuality |
|---|---|---|
| REC | 88% | 100% |
| YEAR 1 | 92% | 99% |
| YEAR 2 | 87% | 99% |
| YEAR 3 | 97% | 99% |
| YEAR 4 | 96% | 99% |
| YEAR 5 | 96% | 99% |
| YEAR 6 | 91% | 99% |

## After School Clubs:

If was fantastic to see our after school clubs back up and running this week. These continue next week. Please see below for details.

### Student of the Week

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|---|---|
| Sylvie | NURS AM |
| Ava | NURS PM |
| Eleanor | REC |
| Annie | YEAR 1 |
| Hudson | YEAR 2 |
| Christopher | YEAR 3 |
| Lealand | YEAR 4 |
| Jacob | YEAR 5 |
| Amelia | YEAR 6 |

### Good Manners

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|---|---|
| Polly | NURS AM |
| Florence | NURS PM |
| Eleni-Monica | REC |
| Donnie | YEAR 1 |
| Lily | YEAR 2 |
| Emily | YEAR 3 |
| Jaskiran | YEAR 4 |
| Isla | YEAR 5 |
| Maddie-Jo | YEAR 6 |

### Maths Award

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|---|---|
| Raja | Rec |
| Lincoln | YEAR 1 |
| Freddie | YEAR 2 |
| Jacob | YEAR 3 |
| Rueben | YEAR 4 |
| Sophie H | YEAR 5 |
| Jayden | YEAR 6 |

Well done to all the children who received an award this week.

### After School Clubs

Tuesday - 3:10-4pm - 5/6 Net-ball, 5/6 Competition Club

Thursday - 3:10-4pm - 3/4 Art Club / 3/4 Health & Fitness Club