27th January 2023

St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

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

Reminder — Industrial Action — Wednesday 1st February:

Further to the letter sent home on Monday regarding Industrial Action and partial school closure. Please be reminded that Reception Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 children should not report to school on Wednesday 1st February. Please note this will not affect your child's attendance. Nursery class is open and children should attend school as normal.

All children should return to school as normal on Thursday 2nd February.

The next planned strike day is Tuesday 28th February. We will send a letter home nearer the date.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause but thank you for your understanding.

Family Learning Workshop:

Thank you to those parents/carers who attended the Foundation Stage Reading workshop today. We hope you enjoyed and found the session useful.

The next workshop is a Reading workshop for Year 1 and 2 parents/carers on 3rd February at 9am—10:30am. Flyers have already been sent home, if you would like to attend please return the reply slip.

Year 3, 4, 5 & 6 Reading workshop for parent/carers is on Friday 10th February. Flyers have been sent home this week.

Year 6 Residential:

We have booked for our Year 6 to visit PGL for a fun filled weekend of activities at Boreatton Park. They will leave on Friday 30th June and return on Sunday 2nd July. The cost of the trip is £130.00. Letters have been sent home with further details and payment options. A deposit of £30.00 is due by the 31st January.

Year 5 Bikeability:

Year 5 have had a fun week learning how to ride a bike responsibly and gaining practical skills and understanding how to cycle on today's roads.

They will be back in school on Monday 30th January for a 'Learn to Ride' session.

Coffee Afternoon:

It was lovely to see those of you who attended the coffee afternoon today in school. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did.

Year 4 Swimming:

Year 4 continue swimming lessons next week. Their final session will be on Tuesday 31st January as children are not in school on Wednesday.

Lesson Observations:

Miss Bradshaw and Miss Ferguson have been visiting each class this week carrying out observations of Writing lessons. They were impressed with the quality of teaching throughout the school. They were also super impressed with the children and how engaged they were during the lessons.

	Attendance	Punctuality
REC	94%	99%
YEAR 1	94%	96%
YEAR 2	88%	99%
YEAR 3	92%	99%
YEAR 4	94%	99%
YEAR 5	92%	100%
YEAR 6	92%	96%
Whole School	92%	98%

Year 4 Class Mass:

We welcomed Father Matthew to school on Wednesday for a class Mass with year 4.

Congratulations to **Team Donaldson** on winning this weeks house points award.

They are rewarded with a 'Hot Chocolate and Toast' morning for achieving two stars with Miss Bradshaw.

Afterschool Clubs

Monday—3:15-4:15pm Year 6
Tuition—selected pupils

Monday—3:15-4:15pm Y1&2
Board Game Club—selected pupils (limited numbers)

Tuesday—3:15-4:15pm Year 2
Tuition—selected pupils

Tuesday—3:15-4:15pm Y5/6
Seated Volleyball

Thursday—3:15-4:15pm Y3/4
Ball Activities

Thursday—3:15-4:15pm Y5
Fashion Club (Y5 only)

Student of the Week

Harrison	NURS
Sadie	REC
Ralphy	YEAR 1
Ivan	YEAR 2
Olson	YEAR 3
Isabella	YEAR 4
Mya	YEAR 5
Luke	YEAR 6

Good Manners

Ina-Lea	NURS
Cristina	REC
Eleanor	YEAR 1
Annie J	YEAR 2
Lucia	YEAR 3
Evie	YEAR 4
Isabella Be	YEAR 5
Sophie H	YEAR 6

Reading Award

Albie	NURS
Harlow	REC
Caden	YEAR 1
Karl	YEAR 2
Paddy	YEAR 3
Darci	YEAR 4
Lealand	YEAR 5
Bogdan	YEAR 6