29th September 2023

St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

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

PE Days:

Sorry for the confusion last week, we have checked and checked again that the timetable is correct for PE days. Year 2 start swimming lessons on Tuesday 3rd October and Wednesday 4th October for four weeks.

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Rec, Y1,Y3, Y4,Y5	Rec, Y6	Nurs Y6, Y1	Y5, Y3	Y4

Nursery 100% Attendance:

Congratulations to our lovely Nursery class for achieving 100% attendance this week. They are rewarded with an own clothes day next Friday 6th October. Nursery attended assembly this morning to receive their 100% attendance certificate and to show the rest of the school how it's done!!!

Mental Health Awareness Day:

We are having an odd sock day on Tuesday 10th October to mark Mental Health Awareness Day.

Meal Promotion:

On Thursday 5th October we are having a school meal promotion. Letters have been sent home with further information . The meal choice on Thursday will be Chicken or veggie nuggets and French fries with a frosted muffin. Jacket potatoes and sandwiches are also available.

Bikeability Training:

Y5 start Bikeability training next week. Sessions are on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday next week. Letters and apps have been sent home with which date children have been allocated.

Primary & Secondary School Admissions:

It is now time to start applying for a place in Reception for Nursery age children and Secondary school for Year 6 children. The closing date for applying for a Reception place is 15th January 2024. You must also complete the supplementary Faith form and return to school enclosing a copy of your child's baptism certificate. Failure to do so, will result in your child not being ranked accordingly as per the criteria in our Admissions Policy. A Copy can be found on our school website.

The closing date for applying for a secondary school place is 31st October 2023. Please check with the schools you are applying for as they may have their own applications as well as the Local Authority application. Therefore both would need to be completed.

If you are a Knowsley resident, visit:-

https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/residents/education-and-schools/apply-for-a-school-place

If you live in a different Local Authority, please visit their website.

Wall Art:

You may have noticed that Artist Paul Curtis has started painting the wall art. This is extremely exciting for our school and we are looking forward to the final piece of work. Due to copyright licences, please be reminded **NOT** to take photographs and share on social media until after the final reveal on Monday 9th October, after which you may take photographs. We appreciate your co-operation with this.

	Attendance	Punctuality
REC	95%	100%
YEAR 1	92%	99%
YEAR 2	95%	98%
YEAR 3	97%	98%
YEAR 4	89%	99%
YEAR 5	87%	99%
YEAR 6	96%	99%
Whole School	93%	99%

Maths Workshop:

On Wednesday 4th October 1-3pm Knowsley FACE will be in school delivering a 6 week Maths workshop for parents. Taking part will entitle your child to receive free 1:1 tutoring sessions. Please see the leaflet which was sent home this week.

Phonics Newsletter:

Click on the link to watch a short video to learn more about Read, Write Inc.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sjlPILhk7bQ

Congratulations to Team Blackman on winning this weeks house points award. They are rewarded with a bonus break with biscuits!

Lunch Time Good Manners Award
Lucas Y5 & Isabella Y6

Headteacher Award

Rueben Y6 —for excellent presentation of his work.

Afterschool Clubs

Monday—Y1&2 Gymnastics Club 3:15-4:15pm

Tuesday—Y4 Creative Writing Club 3:15-4:15pm

Thursday—Y5/6 Basketball Club 3:15-4:15pm

Student of the Week

Roland	NURS
Albie So	REC
Maggie	YEAR 1
Eleanor	YEAR 2
Halle	YEAR 3
Lucie	YEAR 4
Elliana	YEAR 5
Olivia-Mae	YEAR 6

Good Manners

Rosalia	NURS
Talula-Rose	REC
Orla	YEAR 1
Holly	YEAR 2
Annie B	YEAR 3
Hudson	YEAR 4
Emily	YEAR 5
Alexia	YEAR 6

Science Award

Niamh	NURS
George D	REC
Bobby	YEAR 1
James	YEAR 2
Parthaap	YEAR 3
Michael	YEAR 4
Christopher	YEAR 5
Ethan	YEAR 6