

ST MARK'S NEWSLETTER

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

School Admissions:

Parents of pre school children -

To apply for a Reception place for September 2026, please visit www.knowsley.gov.uk or your local authority website. The closing date to apply is 15th January 2026. A Supplementary Faith form and proof of baptism must also be provided to school if you are applying under the Faith criteria.

Parents of Year 6 children-

To apply for a secondary school place for September 2026 intake please visit www.knowsley.gov.uk, or your local authority website. The closing date is 31st October 2025.

Reception Christmas Trip:

We have booked for our Reception class to visit Calderstones Storybarn on Monday 1st December for their Christmas trip. A letter has been sent home this week with further information. Payment of £15.00 can be paid by cash or by Parentpay.

We are in the process of organising a Christmas trip for Nursery, we will let you know when this has been arranged.

Year 1-6 Christmas Panto:

Years 1 - 6 are going to watch the Christmas Pantomime 'Snow White' on Thursday 18th December at the Liverpool M&S Auditorium. The cost of the trip is £15.00. Payment can be made by returning the reply slip enclosing £15.00 or by paying via Parentpay.

Year 4 Chester Roman Trip:

Year 4 are visiting the Roman Deva Experience in Chester on Wednesday 5th November. Payment of £15.00 can be made by returning the reply slip and enclosing cash or by Parentpay.

Year 5/6 Stay and Pray:

Thank you to those parents/carers who came to our Year 5 & 6 Stay and Pray on Wednesday.



Follow us on Instagram and see more of what we are up to! - StMarkHalewood

PTA Autumn Fancy Dress Party:

Tickets are on sale for the PTA Autumn Fancy Dress party from Leathers Lane entrance after school. The party is on Wednesday 22nd October at St. Mark's Club and starts at 4:30pm. Tickets cost £10.00 per child and £2.00 per adult. Children must be accompanied by an adult. This is always a popular event, so we recommend you purchase your tickets early to avoid any disappointment.

Year 2 Church Visit:

As part of Year 2's topic 'Creation and Covenant' they have been learning all about the sacrament of baptism. On Tuesday, they visited St Mark's church and re-enacted a baptism before coming back to school to share memories of our special day.

Dodgeball:

It's been an extremely busy week of dodgeball, with 23 children representing our school over two days. The children displayed great teamwork, catching, throwing and most importantly, dodging! Well done team.

Parents' Evening:

Parents evenings will be held on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th November. Please put the dates in to your diary.

Attendance League:

Well done to all 168 Nursery—Year 6 pupils who came in every day this week. Year 4 are flying this term, securing another win with a fabulous 99% attendance. Can Year 6 catch up? If a class has 100% attendance they win 11 points, so it's closer than it looks! The race is on!

Remember you have to show up to glow up!



Attendance League

League Position	Class	Total Points	Next Fixture
1 st	Year 4	36	Nursery Vs Year 4
2 nd	Year 6	27	
3 rd	Nursery	23	Reception Vs Year 5
3 rd	Reception	23	
4 th	Year 2	18	Year 1 Vs Year 3
4 th	Year 3	18	
5 th	Year 5	17	Year 2 Vs Year 6
6 th	Year 1	12	

	Attendance	Punctuality
Nursery	92%	100%
Reception	97%	99%
Year 1	93%	94%
Year 2	94%	99%
Year 3	94%	98%
Year 4	99%	97%
Year 5	94%	99%
Year 6	94%	98%
Whole School	95%	98%

Student of the Week

Nursery	Frances
Reception	Gracie
Year 1	Matas
Year 2	Ronnie
Year 3	Sylvie
Year 4	Eleanor
Year 5	Ivan
Year 6	Elizabeth

Reading Award

Nursery	Charlotte
Reception	Macen
Year 1	Maya
Year 2	Leo
Year 3	Isaac
Year 4	Joshua
Year 5	Karl
Year 6	Jude S

Good Manners

Nursery	Arly
Reception	Jamie
Year 1	Luena
Year 2	Halle
Year 3	Nellie
Year 4	Momin
Year 5	Alica
Year 6	Lucia

Headteacher Award

Eden from Year 6 - for being so hardworking and enthusiastic in Year 6. Keep striving for your personal best, we are so proud of you!



House Points Winners

Morpurgo - they have won a bonus break with Miss Bradshaw.

After School Clubs

- Mon - Gymnastics - Year 5/6
- Mon - Drawing Club - Year 1/2
- Tues - Football - Year 5/6
- Tues - TTRockstars - Year 3/4
- Thurs - Sing Club - Year 3-6

All clubs start at 3:15pm and finish at 4:15pm. Clubs will vary and rotate throughout the year.

HEALTHY SNACKS



#HealthySchoolsKnowsley

Most children require a snack at morning break to keep them going through the day.

We encourage children to bring in healthy snacks full of vitamins and minerals containing no added salt, fat or sugar. Many of these will help contribute to their 5 daily portions of fruit and vegetables, keep them alert and help them concentrate. It can be hard during the week to think of suitable items for them to bring in to school, but we are aiming, with the help of the children, to not only support them in making healthy choices regarding snacks, but to also reduce food packaging and waste.

Providing snacks in a small, named, recyclable container is great. Children in EYFS and KS1 have a daily snack of fruit or veg provided for free by the government, so additional snacks for these ages may not be required.

If you are intending to send in healthy snacks with your child please limit them to the list below.



Vegetable sticks

Such as celery, cucumber, peppers or carrots, a range of colour ensures different vitamins and minerals.



Cheese

A piece of cheddar cheese or babybel. A great source of calcium and protein.



Carbohydrates

Bread sticks, plain pretzels, banana bread, malt loaf, oat/rice cakes and small pitta breads.



Fresh or dried fruit

Fruit is high in fibre and vitamins. Apples, bananas, raisins, dried apricots, blueberries, pears and oranges are all great snacks.

