

# ST MARK'S NEWSLETTER

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

## Aspirations Week:

We are really looking forward to our Aspirations week next week and welcoming lots of different people in to school with a variety of different careers. We have visitors from North West Ambulance, the RNLI, Everyman Theatre, North West Fire Brigade, a Fashion business owner, an Engineer from Jaguar Landrover all coming in to speak to the children, to name just a few! On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January, our Year 6 are holding their very own apprentice stalls in the hall. They have been working hard preparing for these over the last few weeks and are excited to showcase their ideas. Children from Year 1 to Year 5 can bring some small change in on Friday to purchase items.

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January, children can come to school dressed as what they would like to be when they are older.

Hopefully our aspirations week will remind our children that they can be whatever they desire.

## Further dates for your diary:

**Wed 28/01/26** - Reception Hearing tests  
**Wed 04/02/26** - Reception Vision tests  
**W/B 09/02/26** - Mental Health week  
**Fri 13/02/26** - Break up for half term 3:15pm  
**Mon 23/02/26** - Start of Spring term 2  
**Thurs 05/03/26** - World Book Day - children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character.  
**Wed 11/03/26** - Road Safety for Year 5  
**Wed 18/03/26** - Parents' Evening  
**Thurs 19/03/26** - Parents' Evening  
**Tues 31/03/26** - Easter Production Year 3/4  
**Wed 01/04/26** - Easter Production Year 3/4  
**Wed 01/04/26** - End of term 3:15pm

## **Mothers' Day Stay and Pray - 2:45pm**

**Tues 10/03/26** - Nursery and Reception  
**Wed 11/03/26** - Year 3 & 4  
**Thurs 12/03/26** - Year 1 & 2  
**Fri 13/03/26** - Year 5 & 6

All parents and carers are invited to attend to join us in celebrating Mothers' Day.



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

## No Smoking Site:

Just a polite reminder that our premises are a no smoking site, this includes e-cigarettes.

## Swimming Lessons:

Year 4 continue with their swimming lessons every Tuesday and Wednesday for 3 further weeks. Year 5 will start their lessons on Tuesday 24/02/26.

Can we please remind parents that children with long hair are required to wear a swimming cap.

## Year 6 Residential:

PGL is booked for Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Letters have been sent home with further information. Just a reminder that a deposit of £50.00 to secure a place for your child is required by the end of January. Payment will only be accepted by Parentpay for PGL.

## School Nurse Drop in:

The school nurse will be available on 29<sup>th</sup> January and 5<sup>th</sup> March from 10am - 12. If you would like speak to her, Please let Mrs Sellers know the day before so that she can provide the school nurse with your details.

## Paid After School Club Parent Poll:

We have set up a parent poll on the app to obtain your feedback on whether you would be interested in St. Mark's setting up a paid (childcare) out of hours after school club Monday to Friday, 3:15pm - 5:15pm. We would be grateful if you could complete the poll. Thank you.

## Attendance League:

Well done to Year 4 who have extended their lead this week on the leader board. It's very close between 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> position, and with only three weeks left it's all to play for! Remember you have to show up to glow up!

**#MissSchool #MissOut**



## Attendance League

League Position	Class	Total Points	Next Fixture
1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 4	19	Nursery v Year 6
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Reception	12	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 2	10	Reception v Year 3
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Year 5	10	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Nursery	9	Year 5 v Year 1
4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6	9	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Year 3	6	Year 2 v Year 4
4 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1	4	

	Attendance	Punctuality
Nursery	92%	100%
Reception	95%	97%
Year 1	94%	92%
Year 2	97%	99%
Year 3	86%	98%
Year 4	95%	96%
Year 5	97%	98%
Year 6	95%	97%
Whole School	94%	97%

## Student of the Week

Nursery	Lucas
Reception	Maggie
Year 1	Jax
Year 2	Penelope W
Year 3	Nellie
Year 4	Hughie
Year 5	James
Year 6	Jude S

## Science Award

Nursery	Lilly
Reception	Daya
Year 1	Alma
Year 2	Talula
Year 3	Bobby
Year 4	Rayah
Year 5	Karl
Year 6	Samantha

## Good Manners

Nursery	Charlotte
Reception	Poppy
Year 1	Niamh
Year 2	Noah
Year 3	Jack
Year 4	Minnie
Year 5	Elsie
Year 6	Ria

## Headteacher Award

Archie from Year 5 for working hard in class, building resilience and completing his work. Keep it up Archie!



## House Points Winners

Well done to Morpurgo who have won their third star and will be rewarded tea & toast

## After School Clubs

- Mon - Gymnastics - Y3/4 (selected children)
- Tues - Indoor Athletics - Y5/6 (selected children)
- Tuesday - Maths Club - Y2
- Thurs - Sing Club - Y3-6

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