

# St. Mark's C of E Primary School Newsletter



**Psalm 107:1**—'Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.'

**Colossians 1:16**— Be grateful to God because he will love you forever.

## Our week ahead

**Worship Theme** - Christ the King

Mon 4th Dec	Simon Carson Football club 3:15—4:15pm
Tues 5th Dec	Eucharist 9.00am—Miss Johnson's Class Girls football Lunchtime club Archery Club 3:15 - 4:15pm Y5/6 Football Club 3.15 - 4.15pm
Wed 6th Dec	
Thur 7th Dec	Flu vaccinations Rec/Y1/2/3/4 KS2 Lunchtime club
Fri 8th Dec	KS2 Lunchtime sports club

## eSafety

Child predators often hang out on social networking, gaming and chat sites to try to find their victims.

## French Phrase of the week



## Christmas Fair

Thursday 14th December

From 2.30pm

Santa will be there



## Attendance

90% attendance sounds good, but it actually means your child misses one half day each week.

The class with the highest attendance last week was Mrs Carr / Mrs Edinboro with 98.9%

70 days were lost due to lack of attendance.

## Golden Post Box

Noah Dowson,  
Tilly Webb, Mia  
Abbott, George  
Walker, Sophia  
Stewart - All  
fantastic with  
their rhyming

## PE Kits

Please ensure that your child has their PE kit in school on their PE day.

Monday—Miss Jolly, Mrs Edinboro

Tuesday—Reception, Miss Ashford,  
Mrs Hindson

Wednesday— Mrs Dacombe, Mr Mount,  
Miss Quinn

Thursday— Miss Boagey, Miss Morgan,  
Miss Johnson

## Diary Dates

Dec 7th— Flu Vaccinations Rec / Y1/2/3/4

Dec 14th - House Event

Dec 14th - Christmas Fair 2.30pm

Dec 15th - Christmas Jumper Day

Dec 15th - Christmas Dinner

Dec 17th - Christmas Charity Fun Run (Preston Park)

Dec 18th - Y3/4 Singing the Nativity 9am / 2pm

Dec 19th - Y5/6 Singing the Nativity 9am / 2pm

Dec 19th - Reception Christmas Party

Dec 20th - KS1 Nativity 9am / 2pm

Dec 20th - Y5/6 Christmas Party

Dec 20th - Nursery Christmas Party

Dec 21st - Nursery Nativity 10am

Dec 21st - Reception Nativity 2pm

Dec 21st—KS1 Christmas Parties

Dec 21st—Y3/4 Christmas Party

Dec 22nd - Carols around the tree / Christingle (invited guests) 9.30

## 2018

W/c 21st Jan—Parents consultations

Feb 6th—Times Tables Day

Jul 23rd 2018 - PD Day

# Maths

Thomas Pearce  
 Cody Blackett  
 Jay Shanley  
 Sophia Petch  
 Ebonie Hamilton  
 Lucas Alderson  
 Ella—May Salisbury  
 Hector Zenaj  
 Alex Taylor-Hill  
 Jack Blinko  
 Ellis Smith  
 Dylan Smith

# English

Ben Turnbull  
 Kieran Butcher  
 Reuben Harker  
 Scarlett Turner  
 Rocco James  
 Zoe Marshall  
 Rhys Duckett  
 Cohen Carter  
 Oliver Wright  
 Jamol Boucher  
 Isaac Worrall  
 William Wells

# Values

Olivia Briggs  
 Archie Smith  
 Grace Flood  
 Chloe Richardson  
 Leo Sually  
 Morgan Harrison  
 Sienna Byers  
 Zak Chalmers  
 Reece Brown  
 Twinkle Sually  
 Ethan Taylor  
 Henry Anderson

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Friday 15th December 2017

Roast Turkey

Chipolata Sausage

Sage and Onion Stuffing

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Creamed Potato

Oven Roast Potato

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Garden Peas

Baton Carrots

Brussel Sprouts

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Happy Snowman Ice Cream Log

Christmas Pudding

Christmas Trifle

Christmas Biscuits



## Out of School / Sporting



### Heroes

#### Swimming

Noah Anderson - Duckling 1 & 2

Noah Dowson - Learn to swim 4

Ava Alderson - Breaststroke / Backstroke / Fly / Freestyle

Henry Anderson—6th (6/7 yr olds)

#### Sports Star

Olly Green

#### Kick Boxing

Zak Keating—White belt

William Wells—Yellow belt / best grade

#### Ice Skating

Izzy Edinboro—Gold level

#### Dancing

Chloe Ferguson - Freestyle Dance

Roxy Hawkes - Ballroom

Jacob Dance - Cheerleading

Abbie Dance - Cheerleading

## **St Mark's Church of England Primary School**

### **Policy on School Uniform**

#### **Mission Statement:**

At St Mark's Elm Tree CE VA Primary we will:

Welcome everyone

Build Christian values and worship into our teaching

Establish strong links between home, school and community

Endeavour to reach our full potential and celebrate our achievements

Care for, encourage and respect each other

Support each other to stay safe, healthy and make a positive contribution to our World

#### 1 **Introduction**

1.1 It is our policy that all children should wear school uniform when attending school, or when participating in a school-organised event outside normal school hours. We provide a complete list of the items needed for school uniform in our school prospectus and on the school website.

#### 2 **Aims and objectives**

2.1 Our policy is based on the notion that a school uniform:

promotes a sense of pride in the school; engenders a feeling of community and belonging; is practical and smart; identifies the children with the school; is not distracting in class (as fashion clothes might be); makes children feel equal to their peers in terms of appearance; is regarded as suitable, and good value for money, by most parents and carers; has been designed with health and safety in mind.

#### 3 **Jewellery**

3.1 On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule is a simple watch which children should remove during PE lessons and take responsibility for at all times. Hair bands must be small and discrete, flat to the head and in uniform colours.

#### 4 **Extreme hairstyles**

4.1 The school does not permit children to have hairstyles that could serve as a distraction to other children, this includes hair cut with patterns and shaved heads.

#### 5 **Footwear**

5.1 The school wants all children to grow into healthy adults. We believe that it is dangerous for children to wear shoes with platform soles or high heels in school, so we do not allow this. Neither do we allow children to wear trainers to school; these are appropriate for sport or as leisurewear, but are not in keeping with the smart appearance of a school uniform. We require all children to wear the types of shoe described in the uniform list. This is provided to parents in the prospectus every year and is available in the school office and on the website.

#### 6 **The role of parents and carers**

6.1 We ask all parents and carers who send their children to our school to support the school uniform policy. We believe that parents and carers have a duty to send their children to school correctly dressed and ready for their daily schoolwork. Parents and carers should ensure that their child has the correct uniform, and that it is clean and in good repair. This includes uniform for PE lessons; teachers are to keep a record of the children who do not bring in P.E kit for P.E lessons and then contact parents (KS1) or speak to the children directly (KS2) about this issue. Spare P.E kit should always be provided when children do not bring in their kit.

6.2 If any parent would like the school to modify the uniform policy, they should make representation, in the first instance, to the headteacher. The school welcomes children from all backgrounds and faith communities. If there are serious reasons, e.g. religious objections, why parents and carers want their child to wear clothes that differ from the school uniform, the school will look sympathetically at such requests. Similarly, should an item of school uniform prove problematic for a pupil with disabilities, then parents and carers are invited to draw this to the attention of the headteacher. The school will not treat pupils with disabilities unfavourably.

#### 7 **The role of directors**

7.1 Directors support the headteacher in implementing the school uniform policy. It considers all representations from parents and carers regarding this policy, and liaises with the headteacher to ensure that the policy is implemented fairly and with sensitivity.

7.2 It is the directors responsibility to ensure that the school uniform meets all national regulations concerning equal opportunities, and that our school uniform policy is consistent with our policy on equal opportunities.

7.3 Directors ensure that the school uniform policy helps children to dress sensibly, in clothing that is hardwearing, safe and practical.

#### 8 **Monitoring and review**

8.1 When monitoring this policy, through its committee work, directors will: seek the views of parents and carers, to be sure that they agree with the policy, and support it; consider with the headteacher any requests from parents or carers for individual children to have special dispensations; require the headteacher to report to directors on the way in which the policy is being implemented.

8.2 This policy will be reviewed by directors every two years, or earlier if considered necessary.

**Date June 2017**

**Signed: Valerie Hall, Head Teacher**