



Week Ending Friday 09th February 2018

Dear Parents,

Gospel of Sunday 11th February 2018

One day a man who had leprosy came to Jesus because he wanted to be healed. The man knelt in front of Jesus and said, "If you want to, you can heal my leprosy." Jesus was filled with compassion and said, "Of course I want to." Then Jesus reached out to touch him and said, "Be healed!" At once the man's leprosy disappeared and he was healed. Before sending the man on his way Jesus said firmly, "Don't tell anyone about this. Just go and show yourself to the priest, and take an offering to the Temple as commanded by Moses, and everyone will know that you have been healed." But, instead, the man went and told everyone what had happened. This meant that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay out in the country. Even so, people would still come to him from everywhere around.

(Mark 1:40-45) The 6th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B)

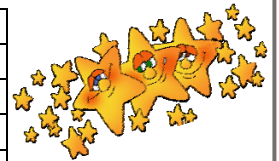
LOVE THY NEIGHBOUR WEEK AT ST. MARK'S

During Lent St Mark's will be working together to show acts of love and kindness to our neighbours. We will continue to support lots of charities including Brain Tumour Research and the Good Shepherd appeal during this time.

Best attendance for week ending **09th February – Year 2 with 99.6% attendance** – Well done to Miss Allen and class for such good attendance. Keep up the good work!



Class	Attendance	Lates	Class	Attendance	Lates
Reception	98.3%	3	Year 4	94.5%	1
Year 1	99.0%	4	Year 5	99.3%	1
Year 2	99.6%	3	Year 6	99.3%	1
Year 3	96.7%	4	School	98.1%	17



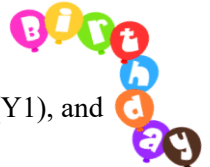
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU...



The following members of our school have and will be celebrating their birthday last week and this week: -

Alannie (Y5), Summerpreet (Y3), Sukhraj (Y6), Christina (Y1), Guveer (Y6), Arjun (Y1), and Lyba (Y6).

We wish them a wonderful birthday and hope all their wishes come true.



THURSDAY MASS DATES

Family and friends are very welcome to join us on the following dates:

15 th Feb	Year 2
8 th March	Year 6
15 th March	Year 5
22 nd March	Year 4



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Please see below a list of important dates for Year 3 children preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Please see additional **Alton Castle** retreat day listed below:

Thursday 8 th March 2018	3:30pm – Journey of Faith at St. Mark's school
Tuesday 13th March 2018	Alton Castle Retreat All day – Adult to accompany child
Thursday 15 th March 2018	4:00pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation at Holy Name Church
Thursday 26 th April 2018	3:30pm – Journey of Faith at St. Mark's school
Sunday 13 th May 2018	10:30am - Sacramental Enrolment Mass at Holy Name Church
Sunday 20 th May 2018	10.30am – Sacramental preparation Mass at Holy Name Church
Sunday 10 th June 2018	10.30am – Sacramental preparation Mass at Holy Name Church
Sunday 24 th June 2018	10:30am – Sacrament of Eucharist at Holy Name Church

Class Assembly Dates/Times:

Please note: All assemblies will start at 2:30pm



Friday 16 th February 2018	Year 4
Friday 9 th March 2018	Reception (Mother's Day Assembly)
Friday 16 th March 2018	Year 2
Friday 22 nd June 2018	Year 1
Thursday 19 th July 2018	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly

PARENT CONSULTATION WEEK – W/c 26th February 2018

Parent consultation meetings will take place week commencing 26th February and will be held throughout the school day. Children will be involved in the consultation to ensure they are able to participate in the discussion about their progress and targets for the remainder of the year. A separate letter regarding specific dates for the consultations will be sent out. Appointment times will be given out via children's diaries on **Friday 16th February 2018**.



“BY THE WAY... FACT OF THE DAY”

Please help your child to learn and remember this week's “Fact of the Day”. They will be encouraged to recite this fact on a number of occasions.

	Key Stage 1	Key Stage 2
Monday	A quadrilateral is a four sided polygon	A pentagonal pyramid is a 3D shape with a pentagonal base and 5 triangular faces
Tuesday	4 quarters = 1 whole	5 ½ litres = 5500ml
Wednesday	¼ turn = 90 °	√81 = 9
Thursday	000 = thousand	5/4 = 1 ¼ Same value different appearance
Friday	1Kg = 1000g	1dm = 10cm

Upcoming events

Friday 16th February – Brain Tumour Research Fundraising

Thursday 1st March – World Book Day

PARENT CONCERNS

We have been made aware of parents using social media outside of school as a forum to discuss school matters. Can we remind parents that if they have any concerns, they follow the appropriate procedure by raising them with the school directly. This allows the school to take relevant action to deal with any queries or concerns.

DATES FOR DIARIES

Spring Term 2018	Summer Term 2018
Monday 8 th January To Friday 16 th February - half term - Monday 26 th February To Wednesday 28 th March	Monday 16 th April To Friday 25 th May - half term - Tuesday 5 th June To Friday 20 th July



Teachers' Training Days

Thursday 29th March 2018
Monday 4th June 2018
Tuesday 24th July 2018

God Bless

Mr. S. Murphy
Headteacher