



St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

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Week Ending 21st September 2018

Dear Parents,

I have been very impressed this week with how well the children have been showing signs of love and compassion towards one another. These two virtues are our focus for this half term and I am delighted that the children have a good understanding of what it means to show love and compassion towards others. Today is 'International Day of Peace' and the school council planned and led a fantastic assembly this morning on **Peace** in our world and why it is important. Let us always share the sign of peace with one another. Also this week, we welcomed our new parish priest; Fr. Vincent, please join me and all the staff in making him feel welcomed here at St. Mark's.

God bless
Mrs. Linley

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We will be fundraising for Macmillan Cancer Support next week. Each class will have a specified day of bringing in and selling cakes and the whole school will have the opportunity at break time to buy the cakes.

Monday 24th September – Year 5

Tuesday 25th September – Year 4

Wednesday 26th September – Year 3

Thursday 27th September – Year 1 & 2

Friday 28th September - Rec & Year 6



Parentpay is coming



ParentPay®

From **01st October** we will no longer be taking payments for School Meals and Trips in school. Parents will need to make payments for these items through ParentPay.

Toast and Juice payments will remain as they are in school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office

You will shortly receive your activation letter to begin setting up your account. Please begin the process, but DO NOT make any payments until we go live on the 1st October. Thank you.

ALL PARENTS ARE INVITED TO THE SMF MEETING TAKING PLACE ON **TUESDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER** AT 1.30PM. HERE WE DISCUSS IDEAS AND EVENTS THAT WOULD RAISE MONEY FOR THE LITTLE EXTRAS IN SCHOOL. PLEASE CONTACT THE SCHOOL OFFICE FOR MORE DETAILS.

As part of the Parish 80th Anniversary Celebrations, Holy Name Church will be welcoming Jo Boyce and Friends for a concert at the church on Saturday 20th October at 7.30pm. For ticket information and enquiries please see the parent notice board.

School Term Dates

Autumn 2018	Spring 2019	Summer 2019
Tuesday 4 th September To Friday 26 th October -Half Term- Monday 5 th November To Friday 21 st December	Tuesday 8 th January To Friday 15 th February -Half Term- Monday 25 th February To Friday 12 th April	Monday 29 th April To Friday 24 th May -Half Term- Monday 03rd June To Monday 22 nd July

Teacher Training Days:

Monday 7th January

More information to follow