



St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

Acting Headteacher
Mrs. D. Linley



Week Ending 05th October 2018

Dear Parents,

Thank you for supporting the Macmillan coffee morning cake sales that ran every morning last week. The children raised **£405.71** towards the Macmillan Cancer Support Charity – a fantastic achievement!
Thank you again.

Thank you to all those parents who joined us for the Year 2 and Year 5 Maths Workshops this week, we hope you found them useful and informative.

October is the month of the Holy Rosary so children and staff have started praying the Holy Rosary prayer together. Our Rosary group led by Mrs. O'Shea meet every day to pray a decade of the Rosary at lunch time. Life is busy, but let us never be too busy to find a little time to pray.

God bless
Mrs. Linley

EARRINGS



If your child is to have pierced ears, we suggest that you make arrangements at the start of the summer break. This ensures it is 6 weeks before they can be removed preventing ears closing up and so it will not affect school policy on their return to St. Mark's. Earrings are not allowed in school.

INSPIRATION DAY

We have an inspiration day coming up on **Friday 09th November**. Children will be involved in a fun action packed day linked to their curriculum topic. To help the children get into character, both children and staff will be coming in dressed as their respective topic. Please see the topics for each year group below:



Year Group	Topic
Reception	999 What's your emergency
Year 1	Remember Remember, The Gunpowder Plot
Year 2	Africa
Year 3	Beyond 1066 - WW1
Year 4	Ancient Greeks
Year 5	Ancient Egypt
Year 6	Anglo Saxons



We recently announced the sad news of the passing of Mr Rowe. We have been informed that the funeral Mass will be held at St. Mary's Church in Harborne on Wednesday 24th October at 12pm, where all are welcome to attend. Please keep him and his family in your prayers.

Attendance for this week:



Class	Attendance	Lates	Class	Attendance	Lates
Reception	99.6%	0	Year 4	99.1 %	3
Year 1	95%	0	Year 5	98.3%	2
Year 2	96.7%	2	Year 6	99.1%	0
Year 3	98.8%	1	School	98.1%	8



NEW RECEPTION APPLICATIONS SEPTEMBER 2019

If your child was born between 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015, they will be able to start school in September 2019. Parents will need to visit www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions and submit an online application by 15 January 2019. The application process is now LIVE.

Congratulations and Well Done!

We would like to say a big well done to the following pupils for receiving an award in our Congratulations assembly this week. Keep up the great work!



Year 1: Ali, Zara & Diya

Year 2: Blessing, Holly & Zia

Year 3: Teigan, Elena & Shanice

Year 4: Angela, Isaac & Kai

Year 5: Blair, Kai & Mariya

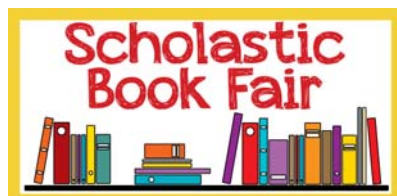
Year 6: Alexandra, Caitlin & Eleanor

Dates for Diaries:

- Parents Evenings – **Wednesday 24th October** (3.30pm onwards) and **Thursday 25th October** (4.30pm onwards).
- Class Group Photographs – **Friday 26th October**
- Deadline for Secondary School applications – **Wednesday 31st October**
- St. Mark's Annual Open Day for Prospective Parents – **Friday 16th November**



THE BOOK FAIR IS COMING!



We have our annual book fair returning to St. Mark's on the week beginning 22nd October. The children will have the opportunity to buy books and stationary after school in the school hall.

The book fair will also be running during Parents Evening, giving parents the opportunity to browse and purchase books for their children. We look forward to seeing you there.