



St Mark's CE Primary School

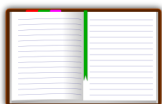
Newsletter 9

Spring Term
29th January 2024

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Diary Dates

30th Jan	Basketball Festival Year 3 & 4 @ Haywards Heath College
1st Feb	Basketball Festival Year 5 & 6 @ Haywards Heath College
5th Feb	NEARS Interplayland @ Bolney Primary
9th Feb	Year 5 & 6 Horrible Science Workshop @ Ardingly College
12th Feb	Half Term
16th Feb	Term
21st Feb	Parents Evening 3.30-6 pm
22nd Feb	Parents Evening 3.30-6pm
23rd Feb	Laurel Boys Tag Rugby 1 pm
3 pm	Tournament
28th Feb	Maths Challenge Year 4 Christ's Hospital Full
1.15 pm	Governors Meeting
12th Mar	Ready Steady Dance at Ardingly College
21st May	Bramble Trip Sumugglers Adventure
4th June	Bluebell Trip Woods Mill



Parents/carers consultations

We will be holding our parents/carers consultations on **Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd February**. Bookings are open on the My-ChildAtSchool app if you haven't already booked.



Worship Spot

We have been looking at the books of the Bible in Church this term and we have been trying to learn them all via this amazing song: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K9DodTRI3vU>



Praise Postcards

The following children have received a postcard in the past few weeks: Billy Bickerdike, Bruno Carlisle; Freddie Cartmell, Barnaby Clarke, Lilly-Mai Clingo, Donnie Daniel, Fabian Dove-Wallington, Florence Gaynor, Hazel Hutchins, Lilly-Belle Hutchins, Ruby Jose, Imogen Kerr, Freya Kidd, Vinnie Koureas, Finley Land Smith, Jaycee Lee-Ansell, Lily-Mae Payne, Phoebe Ramsden, Ethan Tyler-Tarrant, Sidney Upham, Chloe Webber, Diezel Wheble

Safeguarding Spot — Safer Internet Day—6th Feb

Safer Internet Day is a great opportunity to focus on online safety with your child, whatever their age. This year's theme is all about change and influence online and we have created a range of pages to help you talk about these issues and ideas with your child, no matter how much time you have and in an age-appropriate way. There are loads of great tips for parents and carers including a short video all about this year: <https://saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2024/parents-and-carers>



We will be celebrating the day in school with a special assembly and work in classes all around this year's theme: Inspiring change? Making a difference, managing influence and navigating change online.

Make sure your child has received the MMR vaccination

Routine vaccinations play a huge part in protecting us all against a range of unpleasant and often serious childhood diseases, including measles, mumps and rubella. Check your child is up to date with their MMR and other childhood vaccinations here: www.westsussex.gov.uk/campaigns/childhood-immunisations/

Older children and adults who haven't had both doses of the MMR vaccine could be at risk of measles. Two doses of the MMR vaccine are needed for lifelong protection and it's never too late to catch up on missed vaccinations. Vaccinations are offered free of charge in the UK, simply call your GP practice to book an appointment.

For more information please visit www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/mmr-vaccine/

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Sporting Events this term

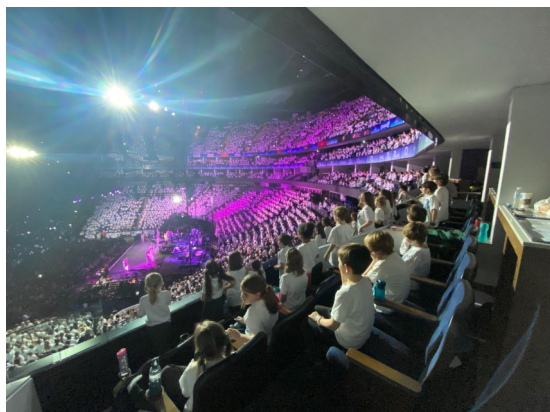
Please find below the list of events we are hoping to attend this term. There may be changes to this as other school commitments do come up but we wanted to let you know the range of events and the dates/times on our list. We will endeavour to give every child from years 1 - 6 the opportunity to attend at least one event this term. However, we are reliant on the children being given lifts to and from the venues.

Also, we do ask that if your child is invited to attend an event, please respond to the invite. This means that if your child can't attend we can offer this opportunity to someone else. We are sending these via paper copies and MCAS app.

Event	Year group	Venue	Date & time
KS1 Multi Skills	KS1	Warden Park	Monday 28th Jan 1pm - 2.30
Basketball Festival	Years 3&4	Haywards Heath College	Tuesday 30th Jan 1.00 - 2.30pm
Basketball Festival	Year 5&6	Haywards Heath College	Thursday 1st Feb 1.00 - 2.30pm
Tag Rugby Boys	Year 5&6	HHRFC	Friday 23 rd Feb Boys: 1pm - 3pm
Handball Festival	Year 4&5	TBHA	Monday 4 th March 2pm - 3.30pm
Inclusion Festival (Boccia and New Age Curling)	KS2	St Paul's	Tuesday 5 th March 1.00-2.30pm
NEARS Stinger Netball Competition	Year 5&6	St Paul's	Tuesday 5 th March 3.00-5.00pm
Badminton Festival	Years 3&4	Haywards Heath College	Thursday 7 th March 1.00-3.00pm
Dance at Ardingly	Years 4-6	Ardingly College	Tuesday 12 th March All day
KS1 Cricket Festival	Year 2	Ardingly College	Wednesday 13 th March 9.30-11.00am
NEARS-Sport Festival	Years 3&4	Twineham	Tuesday 19 th March 1.00-2.30pm
Quicksticks Hockey Festival	Years 3&4	Downlands	Wednesday 20 th March 2.15pm-3.45pm
KS1 Sportshall	KS1	Oathall	Thursday 21 st March 1.15pm - 2.45pm
Quicksticks Hockey Festival	Year 3&4	EGSC	Wednesday 27 th March 10am - 11.30am
Quicksticks Hockey Competition	Year 5&6	EGSC	Wednesday 27 th March 1pm - 3pm

Young Voices O2—16th Jan

We are so proud of our amazing choir for their performance at Young Voices at the O2! They were amazing!



Bluebell Dens

Bluebell made some lovely Den's in the sun last week—they worked well as a team!



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