



# St Mark's CE Primary School

Newsletter 13  
Spring Term  
27th March 2026

## Diary Dates

30th Mar	Easter
10th Apr	Holidays
13th Apr	Children Return To School
23rd Apr	Cricket Festival 4, 5 and 6 @ Burgess Hill
5th May	Bramble Trip to Ardingly College Shrek Performance
6th May	Tennis Festival @ Warden Park
11th May	SAT's
14th May	Week
15th May	Girls Football Ardingly College Year 5 & 6
22nd May	Sports Day
25th May	Half Term
29th May	Term
1st June	INSET Day
3rd June	Laurel STEM Day
19th June	Reserve Sports Day
22nd June	Laurel Outdoor Pursuits Day
25th June	Fern trip to Brighton Synagogue Inspiring Minds Year 4 and 5 @ Ardingly College
26th June	Warden Park Induction Day
29th June	KS1 Multi Skills
6th July	Year 6 Leavers Service at Christ Hospital
7th July	Sports Festival Year 5 and 6 @ St Pauls
17th July	End of Year Church Service
20th July	INSET Day
21st July	INSET Day
22nd July	INSET Day
1st Sept	INSET Day
2nd Sept	Children Return

**Tea towels** We have lots of tea towels left over so we are selling them off for £2 or three for £5. You can purchase them from the office or on MCAS. (MYAS/PAYMENTS). Please remember when you take the Tea Towels to make FULL PAYMENT.

## Dear Parents, Carers and Children,



### Canned water allowed in lunch-boxes

We have previously said no canned drinks in school due to the tendency to explode and ruin lunches. We have considered the new canned waters around and agreed that these can be an eco-conscious alternative to bottled water. They still need to have no sugar

### Back to school on 13th

Just a reminder that we are back to school after Easter on Monday 13th April. We have an INSET day on Monday 1st June and then school ends on Friday 17th July as we have three INSET days the following week.

### Please no parking on verges

Please remember to park considerately at drop off and pick up and do not park on the grass verges (or mud where the grass has been worn away). We have had complaints from local residents about this ruining the green areas of the village. Please remember you can park in the car park opposite the village green and walk along the path to school. A lovely thing to do as the weather is improving!



### Worship Spot - Easter Service today at 2pm

Don't forget we have our Easter Service in St. Mark's Church today at 2pm. Please join us for this celebration. Children can go home after the service. We will return to school to get their things and FOSM will be giving out Easter Eggs as they leave.



### Praise Postcards

The following children have received a postcard in the past few weeks: Isaac Abellan, Florence Amos, Noah Arnold, Georgia Bentley, Billy Bickerdike, Joseph Boakes, Axel Booth, Winnie Booth, Georgina Bostock, Sam Bostock, Matej Bukovsky, Bruno Carlisle, Freddie Cartmell, Theo Clayton, Donnie Daniel, Esme Dowling, Harper Dowling, Emily Durrant, Aaron Fenn, Florence Floyd, Arlo Frid, Barnaby Gaynor, Florrie Gaynor, Isabella Gorvett, Luca Gorvett, Harper Green, Leni Hadingham, Jasper Hardman, Isabella Hartfield, Maddison Hawkins, Amara Heaver-Lewis, Skye Hobden, Olivia Horner, Ayla Hornett, Harley Humphreys, Hazel Hutchins, Chloe James, Jaxon James, Hunter-Blu Kelly-Wise, Aiden Khazanehdari, Freya Kidd, Rose Koureas, Finley Land-Smith, Suki Moore, Ivy Neen-Gurney, Archie, Daisy Payne, Lilah Payne, Lily-Mae Payne, Harvey Ponsford, Rex Ponsford, Wilfred Potter, Phoebe Ramsden, Mia Robinson, Lila Roddy, Lilah Rowberry, Thomas Scrase, Sophie Steadman, Michaela Stoyanova, Kip Szajdzicki, Gaia Tackie, Emilia Taylor, Alexander Tyler Tarrant, Edward Walker, Chloe Webber, Bertie West, Diezel Wheble, Star Wheble, Elliott Willmer, Hardy Young,

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### Free afterschool sports opportunity

This is a free-of-charge, pupil-led initiative delivered by Ardingly pupils and supported by members of staff. The programme is designed to provide an engaging and enjoyable sporting experience, while also giving our pupils the opportunity to develop leadership, teamwork and coaching skills.

Participants will have the opportunity to take part in one of our 3 CORE sports, Hockey, Cricket and Football. Happening every Monday evening starting from the 21<sup>st</sup> April to the 23<sup>rd</sup> June from 4:30pm - 5:30pm at Ardingly College. Suitable for: Years 2-6

Parents, If you would like to register your interest for this programme, please sign up to the following link. We will then share any relevant information in due course.

<https://www.ardingly.com/co-curricular/sport/sports-stars-registration/>

### Bluebell trip to Sealife Centre

Bluebell class had a wonderful time yesterday visiting Brighton Sealife Centre and seeing all the fish as part of their project 'How to make the world a better place'.



### Fern trip to Brighton Toy Museum

Fern class also had a brilliant time when they visited the toy museum in Brighton this week! They got to see toys across the ages and find out all about them.

### Safeguarding spot

SWGfI have great resources for parents on keeping your children safe online including easy to understand guides, child friendly search engines and how to test your filtering at home. [Take a look at their site here.](#)



### Sporting events

We have had lots of great sporting events over the last couple of weeks including hockey, netball and dance. The children had a great time and really benefitted from the chance to take part with other schools.



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