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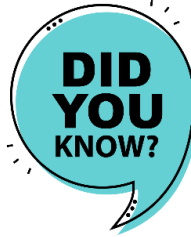


St. Marks C of E Academy

Newsletter week ending 3rd March 2023



Attendance Matters...



90% is the threshold set by the government for persistent absence

Our whole school attendance **target** is 96%

	Attendance last week	Attendance since Sept'22
Duckpool (3)	97%	92%
Sandymouth (2)	99%	92%
Summerleaze (1)	97%	91%
Well done Sandymouth for the highest % this week!		
Whole school	97.7%	92%

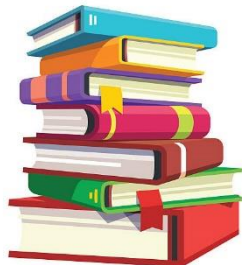
If your child is ill and cannot attend school, please text the office via the app by 9.15am so that it can be marked in the register. Please do not send a message via siblings. Thank you

Dear Parents and families,

This week we welcome Arthur and his family back to St. Mark's. It has also been a very positive week launching our new school meals which have been delicious ☺ There have been lots of smiley faces and requests for second helpings. We hope more children will have school meals over the following weeks.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

It was wonderful to chat with many parents at this week's parent consultations. It was fantastic to showcase the children's wonderful art work and for the teachers to share progress and next steps for learning with you. We hope you enjoyed the dessert samples on offer for you to taste test too.



READING RAFFLE

This term sees a focus on reading. Following on from our school library improvements, teachers are developing their classroom reading areas. In this week's collective worship we launched our reading raffle. Children will be awarded a reading raffle ticket for positive reading behaviours such as reading more at home, recommending a book to their classmates. At the end of term, one ticket will be drawn from each class and that child will win a book - many tickets have been already earnt!

EASTER SERVICE

We are excited to share the date and invite you to our Easter Service on Tuesday 28th March 2.45-3.15pm which will be held at the Chapel here in shop. Rev Simon Leigh has kindly offered to lead the service which will also include the children sharing some prayers/poems and singing some songs.

Kind thanks
Tanya Clark

WORLD BOOK DAY 2023

Thank you to everyone who created a vegetable book character for World Book Day.

As you can see from these pictures, the amount of creativity and effort made by all is incredible! It was up to the School Council to choose their favourite from each class, and what a difficult decision they had to make. Read on for the winners...





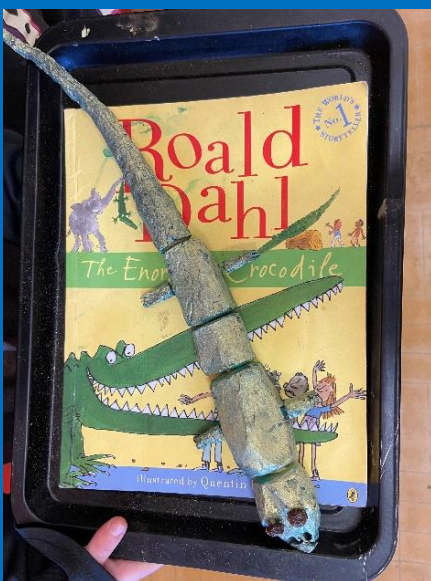
The winners are...

Duckpool – Tabby

Sandymouth – Sienna

Summerleaze - Honey

Take a look at Class Dojo for more pics!



This Week's Commendations and School Value Awards

Duckpool	Sandymouth	Summerleaze
Ollie Charlie (YR) Amelia Arthur Tabby	Jess Thomas Yoni Sonny Harvey Josh	Thomas Isaac Max Lottie



The Kind and Helpful Cup
is awarded to...

Oscar in Duckpool Class!

Well done!



Red Nose Day – Friday 17th March

The school councillors have decided upon a non-uniform day and a competition to design a red nose.

Please can we ask for a £1 voluntary donation for wearing non-uniform and an additional 50p donation if your child would like to enter the design competition. The office will set up a donation tab in School Gateway for your donations.

Please note that we cannot accept physical cash.

Please see the attached printable pdf for your child to design on, or paper copies are available at school, so please ask if you can't access a printer.

There will be a malteser prize for the winner in each class.

Please make sure design entries are named.

All donations will go to Comic Relief.



FRIDAY 17 MARCH

TRIP PAYMENTS / INSTALLMENTS / CONSENT

Please check the School Gateway app for installment dates regarding swimming (Sandymouth and Summerleaze Class) the residential (Summerleaze Class) and Newquay Zoo (whole school)

- **Newquay Zoo payment and consent due 14/02/23**
- **Bristol residential installment one due 15/02/23**
- **Bristol residential installment two due 15/03/23**
- **Swimming payment is due by 03/04/23**

Parents, welcome to:

Schoolgateway

Keeping you informed of what's going on at school.

Download the app Android and iPhone

or visit the website:
www.schoolgateway.com

Activate your account today!

Dates for your Diary

Every Week	Coming up	
<h2 style="color: #00a0c0;">SANDYMOUTH (CLASS 2)</h2> <p style="font-weight: bold;">Outdoor Learning – Fridays</p>	Tue 7 th March	Songfest Performance - Year 6
	Thursday 9 th March 2-3.15pm	Coffee, cake and conversation
	Fri 17 th March	Red Nose Day
	Week beg Mon 20 th March	Scholastic Book Fair
	Tues 28 th March 2.45-3.15pm	Easter Service at Shop Chapel
	Wed 29 th March	Newquay Zoo Trip (whole school)
	Mon 3 rd April - Fri 14 th	April Easter Holidays
	Mon 1 st May	Bank Holiday
	Mon 8 th May	Coronation Bank Holiday
	Friday 26 th May	Inset Day
	Tue 9 th – Fri 12 th May	SATS week (KS2 Yr 6)
	Mon 29 th May - Fri 2 nd June	May Half term
	Wed 26 th July	Summer Holidays

SAVE THE DATE! BOOK FAIR! WEEK BEGINNING 20th MARCH!

SCHOLASTIC
COME TO THE
Book Fair

FILL YOUR SCHOOL WITH FREE BOOKS WHEN YOU BUY FROM THE BOOK FAIR!

FIND HUNDREDS OF THE BEST NEW BOOKS FROM JUST £2.99!

LAST YEAR, YOUR SUPPORT HELPED TO DONATE OVER £5.3M IN BOOKS TO SCHOOLS NATIONWIDE

OVER 200 BOOKS TO CHOOSE FROM!

AGES 2+

AGES 6+

EVERY BOOK YOU BUY EARNS FREE BOOKS FOR OUR SCHOOL

AGES 8+

FREE GIFT WITH MARCH BOOK FAIRS!

Payment at our Book Fair

Help earn free books for your school!



SCHOOL MEALS – PLEASE PRE-BOOK

Further to our app messages, all school dinners need to be booked a week in advance to ensure we can place your orders. Orders are emailed first thing on a Friday, for the following week and cannot be accepted after that cut off. Thank you for your help.

PRESENTED BY BUDE STRATTON TOWN COUNCIL

COMPETITIONS

BUDE LITERARY FESTIVAL



FLASH FICTION

Write an original short story on the theme of the Cornish motto 'One and All'.

Age groups for entry

Age 5-7 yrs (up to 500 words)

Age 8 - 11 yrs (up to 750 words)

Age 12 -18 yrs (up to 1000 words)

BOOK COVER DESIGN

Choose a favourite book that you have read and design a new cover for it!

Age groups for entry

Age 5-7 yrs

Age 8 - 11 yrs

Age 12 -18 yrs



NOW OPEN

LIMERICK

There are two categories:

A. Celebrating animals and the environment

B. Limerick on any subject

Age ranges:

5-11 yrs & 12 -18 yrs

HAIKU

There are two categories:

A. Celebrating animals and the environment

B. Haiku on any subject

Age ranges:

5-11 yrs and 12 -18 yrs

MORE INFORMATION

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KEY SUPPORTERS PLUS
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Bude
WE ARE
A TOWN COMING TOGETHER

Win generous book vouchers to spend in local shops. Send all entries to info@budelitfest.co.uk by **30 April 2023**. Remember to include competition title, your name, age and contact details.



SCAN ME

NURSERY NEWS



This week Nursery enjoyed looking for signs of spring in the nature garden, we also painted daffodils and then made perfume from the petals.



To finish the week we had the soft play out.
Enjoy the weekend! Katy and Ali



Our School Lottery – Support and Win!

We wanted to remind everyone about our school lottery

It's a fantastic way to bring Parents, Carers, Teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our school, and at the same time give something back. We hope to raise funds that can support and enrich the education of our children - we aim to provide extra resources for the children and improve the school environment.



Please spread the word to friends and family about the initiative using the following link
<https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/st-marks-c-of-e-primary-school>

Thank you