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# ST MARK'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parent/Carers,

On the reverse of this letter you will find a list of forthcoming 'Dates for your diary' up to the end of this half term. This list is not exhaustive; other dates may be added as the term goes on. Further information will be sent home regarding many of the events taking place.

## Download Our New App.

Visit us at [www.stmarksrcprimary.co.uk](http://www.stmarksrcprimary.co.uk) or search St. Marks RC Primary School on the app store or Google Play.

To check out instant updates, live news feed and latest events.

We will be sending text messages via the new school push Message app on the school web page.

## School Uniform / Footwear.

In line with our school policy please ensure your child is wearing **full** school uniform.

This is **GREY (not Black) trousers or skirt. Track pants or jeggings/leggings can not be worn.**

I have also noticed that some children are **still not** wearing the correct footwear in school. May I please remind parents that **boots/trainers can not** be worn in school.

They can be worn to travel to and from school but your child **Must** change into black or brown school shoes upon arrival into school.

## Christmas Disco .

We are having a school disco on Monday 12th December 5.30pm /7.00pm the cost is £1.50 payable at the door. Please note that this disco is for St Marks pupils only.

Unfortunately **PARENTS ARE UNABLE TO STAY** this is due to fire regulations.

The disco is for Reception/ KS1 & KS2.

## Samaritans Purse Shoebox Appeal .

I would like to pass on sincere thanks for the fabulous shoeboxes and donations which were sent into school last week. We received 63 boxes. Once again thank you for your support.

## Non Uniform Day.

There will be a non uniform day in school on **Friday 9th December**. Children who would like to take part are asked to send in a £1 donation.

## Christmas Fayre.

We will be holding our Christmas Fayre on Friday 16th December at 1.30pm , Donations are needed.

If you have any unwanted presents or gifts for either adults or children please send them into school.

These must however be new or in excellent condition. Bottles of any description may be sent into school, wine, beer, shampoo pop etc

I know that many of our parents/carers are fantastic cooks, we would appreciate donations of home made or bought cakes for our stall. These should be sent in on the morning of Friday 16th December.

Raffle tickets will be going on sale soon for our Grand draw we have over 100 Prizes to be won these tickets are priced at £1 per strip.

There will also be a variety of games taking place.

Tea, coffee and refreshments will be served.

Once again your support is greatly appreciated.

## Class Liturgy Y3.

Parents/carers are invited to attend our Year3 class liturgy on Thursday 1ST December at 9.00am.

## School Christmas Lunch.

This year our children will have their Christmas Lunch on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> December. If your child usually brings a **packed lunch** to school, but would like a Christmas dinner could you please write a short note with your child's name, and their class and hand it into **the school office together with payment by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November**.

## Safeguarding Before &After School.

We are asking all parents and carers to wait at the front office if they wish to speak to ,or make an appointment to see a member of staff .

We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

## Attendance.

Our overall school attendance for last week was **98% Well done to our Year 4children who had the highest attendance.**

We will, over this term, continue to monitor attendance and punctuality, alongside our Education Welfare Officer.

Early mornings– Can we remind parents, particularly during bad weather, that school opens at 8:40 am. Many children have been arriving at school at 8:30 am and some children have been quite wet and uncomfortable. Staff have ensured that clothing has been dried during the morning session. We appreciate your co-operation.

## Reception Applications 2017.

Please remember, if you have a child who is due to begin **Reception class** in September 2017 you can now apply online by going to;  
[www.newcastle.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.newcastle.gov.uk/admissions).

**Closing date is 15th January 2017.**

Our next newsletter will be on Tuesday 6th December.

Mrs. Miller  
Headteacher