



St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher Mrs. D. Linley



Friday 4th December 2020

Dear Parents and carers,

On Wednesday this week, it was International Day for Abolition of Slavery. Sadly, modern day slavery is an issue today in society and so we aim to educate children in a child-friendly way to be aware of their rights and what is acceptable and what isn't, in the hope that they will never become victims themselves. Children in Key Stage 1 learned how other people should be treated and gained an understanding that everyone should receive fair pay for the work they do unless they choose to work on a voluntary basis. Children in Key Stage 2 gained an understanding that slavery is a crime and what we can do to create a 'slave free' world.

Next week is Assessment week in school and it's an opportunity for your child to demonstrate all the good learning that has taken place this term.

Thank you for your continued support.

Have a good weekend, Mrs. Linley and the St. Mark's Team

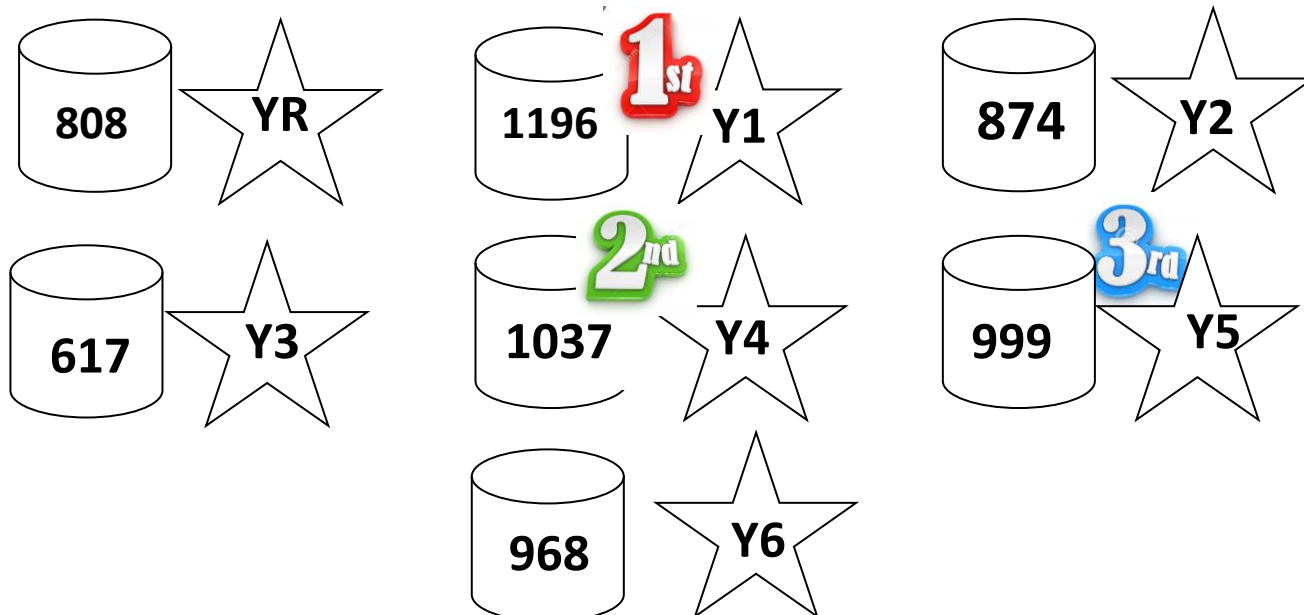


Spread The Word with those around you...

Please click on the following link to access this spiritual resource to share with your family and friends:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/advent?pid=MTA101634&v=12.3>

STAR AWARDS – Well done to **YEAR 1** for earning the most stars this week!!



POP BAND AWARDS – The following children have achieved their **WHITE** pop band award:
Aimee(Y4) Rohan(Y4) Micha(Y4) Victoria(Y4) Chioma(Y2)

The following children have achieved their **YELLOW** pop band award:
Zahra(Y4) Raiyaana(Y4) Christina(Y4) Taisia(Y4) Desire(Y6) Rhia(Y6) Natasha(Y1)
Sophie(Y1) Anaiya(Y1)

PRESENTATION POINTS:



Well done to **YEAR 2 & 5** for achieving the most presentation points and being the smartest dressed class this week!!



Please ensure your child is prepared for school and is wearing the correct uniform (earrings, hoodies and trainers on days when your child is not doing P.E. is not allowed).

| <u>YEAR:</u> | <u>POINTS</u> |
|---------------|---------------|
| Reception | 58 |
| Year 1 | 57 |
| <u>Year 2</u> | 60 |
| Year 3 | 54 |
| Year 4 | 58 |
| Year 5 | 60 |
| Year 6 | 59 |



TIDY CLASSROOM

Alongside achieving weekly presentation points, and ensuring that all children are dressed smartly, I will be distributing points to the tidiest classroom every week. This week the class that achieved the Tidy Classroom award is 'YEAR 2'



CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

This year, to make Christmas feel extra special for our children whilst also keeping everyone as safe as possible during the Covid pandemic, we have organised the following Christmas celebrations and events:

Monday 7th December - Staff Christmas Raffle tickets to go on sale (please help us by purchasing some tickets and you never know... you might be a winner!)

Friday 11th December - Christmas Party Day - Non-uniform day for all and children to celebrate Christmas parties in their bubbles.

Monday 14th December - Santa's reindeers will be making a trip to St. Mark's school today and all classes will have the chance to see the reindeers up close.

Tuesday 15th December - Christmas Dinner day for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 only. (Children in Key Stage 2 will have sandwiches today provided by the school kitchen).

If you would like your child to have a dinner on this day, please check your ParentPay account to consent and make payment before Wednesday 9th December.

Wednesday 16th December - Christmas Dinner day for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6.

(Children in Key Stage 1 will have sandwiches today provided by the school kitchen).

Friday 18th December - Christmas jumper day - all children are allowed to wear their Christmas jumper to school but they should still wear the correct trousers/skirt and shoes.



School Term Dates

Autumn Term 2020

Term Starts: Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Half Term: Monday 26th October 2020 to Friday 30 October 2020

Term Ends: Friday 18th December 2020

Spring Term 2021

Term Starts: Tuesday 5th January 2021

Half Term: Monday 15th February 2021 to Friday 19th February 2021

Term Ends: Thursday 1st April 2021

Summer Term 2021

Term Starts: Monday 19th April 2021

Half Term: Monday 31st May 2021 to Friday 4th June 2021

Term Ends: Wednesday 21st July 2021

Teacher Training Days:

Monday 4th January 2021