



St. Mark's Catholic Primary School

Headteacher Mrs. D. Linley



Friday 26th March 2021

Dear Parents and carers,

Palm Sunday is this weekend, the beginning of Holy Week which marks the last week of Jesus' life. It is the most sacred time of the year. Let us remember that the sadness we encounter on Good Friday is soon filled with joy on Easter Sunday.

The children will be completing a range of activities next week on the events of Holy Week. Please look out for updates and photos on Twitter and I look forward to seeing the children's Easter bonnets and Easter egg creations next week on BGfL and twitter. Two winners will be chosen from each class and each winner will receive a chocolate Easter egg.

Thank you for your co-operation with the closure of the path gates this week. I hope you will agree that the paths are looking much better and more importantly, they are much safer. Due to the additional cars needed around the school, we did not put the traffic cones out on the road this week and the impact was significant. It is clear that the parking on Kingsdown Avenue is a danger because too many parents are not parking safely. The cones will be back out again next week. The weather is getting warmer and brighter - please park further away in a safe place and enjoy the walk down Kingsdown Avenue to school.

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



TOP STAR EARNERS OF THE WEEK



Well done to the following children for earning the most stars this week!!

Safa(YR)	Tida(YR)	Leonel(YR)	Marcelo(Y1)	Valeriya(Y1)	Tia(Y1)
	Ryan(Y2)	Taon(Y2)	Jasdeep(Y2)	Hristiyan(Y3)	Palvi(Y3)
Eesah(Y3)	Destiny(Y4)	Sienna(Y4)	Christina(Y4)	Kimaya(Y5)	
	Kian(Y5)	Aanya(Y5)	Rhia(Y6)	Tiya(Y6)	Arya(Y6)

Congratulations and Well Done!

We would like to say a big well done to the following pupils for receiving a Congratulations certificate this week. Keep up the great work!



Reception: Ezekiel & Sofia
Year 1: Marcelo & Sophie
Year 2: Amanah & Rose-Marie
Year 3: Zara & Zakaria
Year 4: Victoria & Destiny
Year 5: Amani & Kian
Year 6: Desmond & Kai

How many stars can you earn online with 12stars?

Wednesday Word - Sharing the Gospel

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



www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/easter-holiday-special?pid=MTA101634&v=23.4



Walk with us

Jesus, you know what it's like
to feel abandoned
lost and afraid.

Walk with us

And show us how to walk with others,
who live in fear,
who face death
through hunger or war.

Show us how to pray
for those we do not know
and will not meet,
but who are always loved by you.

Walk with us Jesus, Amen.

By Linda Jones at CAFOD



Lenten Almsgiving

Thank you to those children who have already completed the '**Miles of Hope**' sponsored walk. We are continuing to raise money for our chosen local charities by walking three miles during Lent. Please continue to gain sponsorships and raise money for those in need. If you require any further details, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Dates for your Diary

- Thursday 1st April - Easter Bonnet and Easter Egg competition winners announced and last day of Spring term
- Monday 19th April - Back to school - Ten:Ten Day
- Week beginning 19th April - staff in school will be holding pupil progress meetings this week and you will receive feedback on your child's progress week beginning 26th April
- Saturday 24th April - Commitment Mass at Holy Name Church for Year 3 children

Looking for Easter holiday activities?

Head to www.bhap.co.uk to find out more information about Birmingham's virtual Easter holiday programme for school aged young people.

WHAT TO DO WITH THE KIDS THIS EASTER?



FIND OVER 400 FREE IDEAS TO KEEP KIDS BUSY

Go to: www.BHAP.co.uk

COOKERY SKILLS	INDOORS AND OUTDOORS GAMES	DANCE
FITNESS AND SPORTS	NATURE TRAILS	PARK ACTIVITIES
EXPLORE BIRMINGHAM	QUIZZES	ARTS AND CRAFTS
Follow us on:    @Bhamholidayactivities		

All activities COVID-appropriate

School Term Dates

INSET DAY – School will be closed to pupils on Friday 28th May

Spring Term 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

