

Welcome to Sapphire Class!





All About the Sapphire Class Team

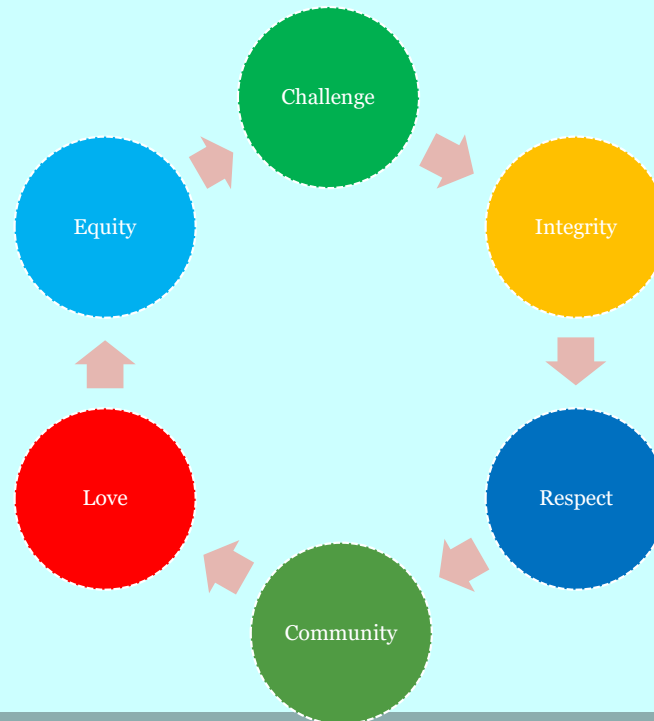


Mrs Hagan and Mrs Bishop are the class teachers,
supported by Mrs Armstrong our LSA.

We are here to help so please
ask if there is anything you
need to know.



The **CIRCLE Values** underpin and embed all we do at St Mark's. They permeate throughout the school, creating a harmonious, enabling and empowering school community.





Vision

Living and Learning Together- Building Firm Foundations

Our vision is for all children to develop a lifelong love of learning and sense of belonging, within a welcoming, nurturing and inclusive Christian community. All children have the opportunity to become free thinking, responsible citizens, whilst understanding and appreciating the wonder of our world.




Children leave St Mark's with the confidence to live fulfilling lives, based on the teachings and example of Jesus.



Builder of the week

for



What do the children need to bring to school?



- A school bag
- Reading book and reading record
- Water bottle
- Snack
- Coat/Sun hat
- Pencil case
- PE days (wear PE kit)- appropriate trainers, no jewellery or watches

Pencil cases



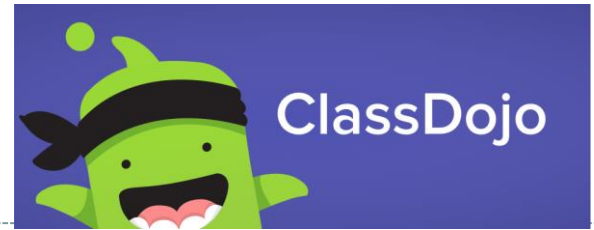
Small, clear pencil case

Pencil, pencil sharpener, ruler, rubber, handwriting pen, glue stick, purple pen, whiteboard pen (berol - blue ink) small amount of colouring pencils.

NO novelty items (pencil sharpeners or rubbers)

If your children would like a small pencil case of pens/ extra colouring pencils in their tray, they may bring it but it must fit in their tray.

Dojo Points



In Key Stage Two pupils are awarded 'Dojo Points' in class and around the school for positive behaviour (showing Circle Values, working hard, listening well etc).

These points are converted to House Points each week.

There is a 'Dojo Master' in Sapphire Class crowned at the end each week. This is the person who has gained the most points that week in Sapphire Class. They receive a certificate in class, a sticker and 20 house points.

The Dojo Points are reset back to 0 at the end of each week.

If the class collectively beat their last 'Whole Class Score' the whole class are rewarded with extra break before T-Set.



Homework



- Reading (5 times a week recommendation)
- Spelling Shed games
- My Maths (more details to follow)
- Times Tables Rock Stars (TTRS)



Reading Challenge



This half term we will be introducing a KS2 St Mark's reading challenge. The children will be able to work towards earning badges when they complete a stage of the reading challenge.



Certificates, awards and badges will then be handed out during our weekly celebration assembly.

Spelling Shed



- Every week, spelling patterns and rules will be taught as part of our school curriculum using Spelling Shed and Sir Linkalot
- These rules and patterns can then be practiced at home on the Spelling Shed website which your child will have a log in for.
- There will be no formal weekly test however, children will earn a dojo for every time they access spelling shed across the week (this will run Wednesday to Wednesday)



My Maths



MyMaths:

- Tasks are set weekly on Wednesdays on the website: MyMaths.
- These tasks will be checked by Mrs Bishop each week and Dojo Points are awarded to pupils who have completed the task.

Times Tables:

- Year 4's will sit the statutory Multiplication Tables Check in June next year.
- Practising little and often is best - daily for 5 to 10 minutes!
- The creators of Times Tables Rockstars recommend that 21 minutes of practice a week is the ideal time for achieving top MTC scores.

Your child's login is on the welcome letters for both MyMaths and Times Tables Rockstars sent home at the start of the school year. These logins are also found in the front of your child's Reading Record for easy access.

Times Tables Rockstars



- Times Tables Rockstars is a fun and interactive way for KS2 pupils to practice their times tables through games.
- Certificates will be received by children who have accessed Times Tables Rockstars website for the most amount of time that week
- There are different games on the TTRS website. The game called 'Soundcheck' mimics the Year 4 MTC and so is recommended to help Year 4 pupils prepare for the test.
- On the TTRS parent letter there is a link to the parent area which has more information and additional resources.

Thank you



- Any questions?

