



Newsletter

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Helm Lane residents request:

Please watch your speed and **leave a gap** in the traffic to allow people going the other way to move.



If you would like your child to receive milk every day at school (Y1 upwards), please follow instructions below:

Register and pay online at

www.coolmilk.com

You can pay Cool Milk online in half-termly, termly or annual instalments. Please pay by a Tuesday at 5pm for your child's milk to start the following week.



MEDICATION IN SCHOOL

If your child requires medication in school hours, please complete the **Parental Consent to Administer Medicine form** (forms are available from reception). The completed form needs to be brought to school with the medicine in their original containers and in accordance with their instructions for safe storage, detailing the dosage required, and should be collected from reception at the end of the day, if appropriate.

Introducing Katie Huddleston, our new Year 1 Teacher, who starts after half term



'I graduated from the University of Cumbria, with a First Class (Hons) Degree in Primary Education. I have been teaching in Year 2 for 3 years. My priority as a teacher is that children feel happy, confident and enthusiastic to learn. I am passionate about taking learning outdoors as much as possible. Outside of teaching I love travelling, walking in the Lakes and going to the gym. I am a keen equestrian and enjoy spending time with and competing my horses, as well as being a riding instructor for the Pony Club'

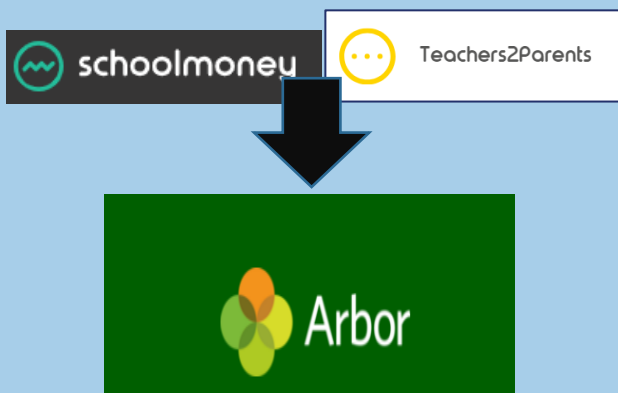
EASY FUNDRAISING APP

Click on this QR code when purchasing online and help raise money for St Mark's.



Mrs. Thorne will be sadly leaving us at the end of this half term to take up a teaching position at Romsey Primary School and Nursery near Southampton. We will miss her!

EARLY WARNING – we are migrating from Eduspot to Arbor at the end of January. More details to follow....

**Communicating with school**

All communication about pupil absences or changes to the bus list, should go through the school office

Parent's Evenings:

All teachers will be available on the 27th and 29th Feb for meetings (i.e KS1 and KS2 on the same nights) more details to follow.

If you need a chat at any time over the year, please call the office to make an appointment with your child's teacher and we will do our best to meet, or call you, as soon as possible.

Teachers are now bringing children out at the end of school, so do please catch them then if you need a quick chat.

New class email addresses for communicating with the staff team in that class. This includes teachers and teaching assistants:

Class1@st-marks.cumbria.sch.uk

Class2@st-marks.cumbria.sch.uk

Class3@st-marks.cumbria.sch.uk

Class4@st-marks.cumbria.sch.uk

Class5@st-marks.cumbria.sch.uk

Class6@st-marks.cumbria.sch.uk

Please note: Reception class already have, and use, Tapestry.

Please note:

Teachers will **only be able to check these mailboxes at the start and end of the day.** If you require an urgent response then please continue to contact the school office on:

admin@st-marks.cumbria.sch.uk

Admissions policy consultation

Please see the HOME page of our website for a link to the document <https://www.stmarksschoolnatl.co.uk/>

Thinking of returning to work?

**£12ph
3hrs a
week**

Are you a parent/grandparent with some time on your hands?

Midday Supervisor vacancy
www.stmarksschoolnatland.co.uk/vacancies

IMPORTANT DATES

Swimming for Year 4	5 th January start and every Friday for 5 sessions in total
Height and weight screening for Year 6 and Reception	9th Jan
Cross Country for KS2	12 th Jan
Basketball for years 5 and 6 at Vicarage Park	30 th Jan
Glow in the dark dodgeball at the Leisure Centre for year 3	31 st Jan
Candlemas in St Mark's Church, Natland	2 nd Feb

Year 5 Collective Worship	5 th Feb at 3:10
Young Voices	7 th Feb
Half Term	12 th -16 th Feb
Kwik cricket at the Lakes School for years 3 and 4	19 th Feb
Ash Wednesday in St Mark's Church, Natland	21 st Feb
Parent's Evening KS1 and KS2	27 th Feb 4-6pm
Parent's Evening KS1 and KS2	29 th Feb 5-7pm