



## St Mark's Church, Siddal

St Mark's Church are beginning to host a Messy Church session on the 1st Saturday of every month 2-4pm, starting this Saturday 2nd February 2019. Why not go along for songs, crafts, games, worship and a free meal for the family?

Messy Church is a way of having fun with family + friends whilst doing activities, worship, eating a meal + learning more about God.

SONGS!

FOOD!

Messy Church

CRAFTS!

BIBLE STUDY!

St Mark's, Siddal

JOIN US EVERY 1ST SATURDAY  
2PM - 4PM

## Are you prepared for the colder weather?



We know how expensive this time can be, so next week we are holding a 'Pass it on' event after school on Tuesday 5th and Friday 8th February in the school playground.

If you have any unwanted good quality, clean - wellies, winter coats, gloves, hats or scarves, then please send them into school on Monday or Tuesday. These items will be available for others in school to take for free after school on Tuesday and Friday.

### Bad Weather



In the event of bad weather you will be notified of closure by text message. It will also be published on the school website and the Calderdale council website. Please do not assume that if Park Lane is closed that we are closed.

Take care on the paths around school and ensure that your children have appropriate coats and footwear for snowy days. Please be assured that we only decide to close our school in exceptional circumstances, where the safety of our families and staff is the primary concern. On some occasions this may be due to the availability of teaching staff who travel some distance to reach school, rather than purely the condition for pupils getting to school. We will always try our best to keep the school open and it is only in very severe conditions that we have had to close.

## Honours Awards 1.2.19

	Hard Workers	Special Pupil
Reception	Phoebe Grice	Matilda Smith
YEAR 1	Callum Black	Oscar Trojanowski
YEAR 2- Dolphin	Blue Gott	Logan Kelly
YEAR 2- Snow Leopard	Lukas Greenwood	Abigail Armin
YEAR 3	Gracie Anderson	Olivia Thorpe
YEAR 4	Maisie-Leigh White	Oliver Greenwood
YEAR 5	Owen Cartwright	Harvey Heppinstall
YEAR 6	Alfie Guest	Jessica Holdsworth

**Autumn Term Dates so far...  
Please keep checking for updates.**

7th Feb- Year 4 visit to Blue John Cave  
 11th Feb- Year 1 visit to Legoland  
 13th Feb- SPAF Valentine's Disco  
 14th Feb- Choir going to Young Voices  
**15th Feb- School closed for staff training**  
 25th Feb- Better Living Team Y1 Sleep session - parents invited  
 28th Feb- Reception Eye Tests  
 1st March- Year 3 visit to Coal Mining Museum  
 5th/8th March- Lindley Book Shop visit  
**12th April- break up for Easter break 3pm**  
**29th April- School reopens 8.50am**  
 13th-16th May- KS2 SATS

**Please note the term dates and book your family holidays during the breaks.**

### Do you have a spare morning or afternoon to help in school?

At Siddal we are always looking for volunteers to support in school. We welcome any parents/carers or family members who have spare time to come into school and work alongside the pupils and staff. If you are interested, please speak to one of the pastoral team who will support you with completing a DBS application.

### Whole School Attendance and Punctuality

Whole School Attendance: 95.1%  
**This below the Government National average of 96%.**

Thank you to everyone who has been at school every day and on time. Pupils' punctuality has also significantly improved this half term.

	Attendance	Punctuality
1st	Rhinos 99.4%	Elephants 99.6%
2nd	Snow Leopards 98.8%	Snow Leopards 99.4%
3rd	<b>Polar Bears 95.3%</b>	Gorillas 99.3%
4th	<b>Dolphins 94.7%</b>	Orangutans 99.2%
5th	<b>Gorillas 94.5%</b>	Dolphins 98.7%
6th	<b>Orangutans 93.3%</b>	Pandas 98.6%
7th	<b>Pandas 93.2%</b>	Polar Bears 98.3%
8th	<b>Elephants 92%</b>	<b>Rhinos 97.7%</b>

### School Trips

Over the next couple of weeks school trip letters will be sent out to individual classes. All payments should be made on Parentpay. If you have misplaced your login details, please contact a member of the admin team who will be able to help you with this matter.

The London residential deadline for payments is 1st May 2019. For events run by the Siddal Parents and Friends group, money should be sent into school in a named, sealed envelope.

**Loose money and slips will not be accepted at the school office.**

Thank you for your support in this matter.