



16<sup>th</sup> October 2009

Dear Parent/Carer,

This letter contains a number of important dates for your diary and reminders about some forthcoming events:

- Half term break** Half term begins for students on Thursday 22.10.09 at 3.00pm. The new half term begins on Monday 02.11.09 at 8.30am for all students.
- Coffee morning** Thursday 22.10.09 at 11.00am. All parents are invited to attend an informal session to meet with the Headteacher and share views about the Academy.
- Black History Cultural Event** Thursday 22.10.09 6.30-8.00pm. A special celebration of the diverse cultures that make up the community of St Mark's. including music, food, fashion and dance involving staff, students and parents. Tickets can be booked in advance or on the door. Tickets are free of charge but space will be limited so please book early. Students can obtain tickets from Mr Slatter in the Music department.
- Newsletter** The half termly newsletter will be posted to you during half term. Please let us know if you have changed your address so that we can keep our records up to date.
- Website** Important dates and letters to parents are posted on our school website. Please check this site if you are unsure of dates and times of special events [www.stmarksacademy.com](http://www.stmarksacademy.com)

Yours faithfully,

Esther Holland  
**Associate Head**