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Dear Parent/Carer,

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INSET DAY – MONDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2021

As you know, this Monday 15 November 2021 has been allocated as a staff training day and therefore students should remain at home. Staff, Senior Leaders and Governors will be working strategically to plan and embed our curriculum vision in line with Ofsted's new Inspection Framework. There will be a particular focus on improving students' levels of literacy and reading across the curriculum.

As a school we are committed to ensuring that every student we serve receives a broad and balanced curriculum, high quality teaching, access to texts that will increase their reading age and effective assessments to prepare them for examinations and the world beyond St Mark's when they leave us in Year 13.

As parents you can support your child's literacy development by:

- asking them about what they are currently reading and what their reading age is
- asking them about Accelerated Reader
- reading with them during the evening
- asking them for a list of key terms within each of their subjects and quizzing them on their meaning
- actively reading yourselves so this encourages your child to read.

Many thanks for your continued support and understanding. If you have any questions about this, please contact the Academy.

As with all St Mark's calendared events, please see our website for agreed inset days:
<https://www.stmarksacademy.com/attachments/download.asp?file=970&type=pdf>

Yours faithfully

Hannah Fahey
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