



A community of transformation founded on love, hope & trust

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Dear Parent / Carer,

We are delighted to inform you that your child has been identified as a High Prior Attainer (HPA) based on their Key Stage 2 SATs results. This means that, on entry to St Mark's Academy, they achieved significantly above the national average and have demonstrated exceptional academic potential.

At St Mark's, we are deeply committed to ensuring that all students are stretched, challenged, and supported to reach their God-given potential. For our High Prior Attainers, we provide additional opportunities and experiences that help them to excel academically, think critically, and develop as confident, independent learners. We know that students who are identified as HPAs have the potential to achieve Grade 7+ in their GCSEs.

What being a High Prior Attainer means

Your child will:

- Experience stretch and challenge in every lesson, across all subjects.
- Be encouraged to take part in enrichment and leadership opportunities that extend learning beyond the classroom.
- Be supported in developing independent learning habits and metacognitive skills to help them plan, reflect, and take ownership of their progress.
- Have access to super-curricular activities, such as academic projects, competitions, and university outreach programmes, designed to nurture curiosity and aspiration.

As your child begins their secondary journey, we look forward to seeing them grow in confidence and ambition as part of our community of High Prior Attainers. We encourage you to talk with your child about the opportunities ahead and to support them in making the most of the challenges and experiences that come their way.

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about our HPA provision, please don't hesitate to contact our HPA Coordinators, Mr Moggridge (bmoggridge@stmarks.anthemtrust.uk) and Miss Kelly (pkelly@stmarks.anthemtrust.uk).

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to help your child flourish academically and personally.

Yours faithfully,

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