Dear Parents/ Carers,

We are writing to tell you that we are going to embark on Arts Mark over the next two years. This gives us the opportunity to focus on the many different forms of Art. We hope that by working towards this award it will give us the opportunity to celebrate the Arts Work we do at Newton Primary School and improve it.

Artsmark can help unlock the potential of children and young people, help to develop character and talent, and increase their knowledge and understanding. That’s why Artsmark was created: to bring this ambition to life in every classroom and learning environment.

We will also be working with local arts group Black Shale, who have already funded an arts trip for Tanzanite class and organized an artist to come into school next month!

We plan to have a whole school launch the week beginning 24th June. This is where we would like support from you. Do you have any artistic skills you could help us with? Can you knit, crochet, play an instrument, have a dance qualification? Are you part of a choir, amateur dramatic group or art group?

If you have any artistic skills that you would like to share with us, please fill in the slip below or speak to Mrs. Hughes. We would like to organize lots of creative events during the week beginning 24th of June so that the children are excited about our Artsmark journey.

I have also included a family activity on the back, something which we enjoyed as a staff. Letters A-Z... Can you come up with a different type of art for each letter (without googling!). A great activity to get everybody talking about the arts.

Thanks as ever for all you support,

Mrs. Sarah Hughes