ST MICHAEL'S C.E. COMBINED SCHOOL

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Thursday 21st November 2019

Dear Parents / Carers,

Contained in this week's newsletter! –

1. **Scholastic Book Club Leaflets** – see note below. Any orders by Friday 29th November please.
2. **Buckingham School Sports Partnership Y3/4 Tennis Festival** – Tuesday 26th November at the Fremantle School in Winslow 3.45pm to 5.30pm. Letter for selected pupils.
3. **DSP Photograph orders** – coming home today. Any late orders will follow.

*****TOMORROW – Year 6 Class Assembly 9.10am. Parents of Year 6 pupils welcome to attend.**

- **'Be Bright Be Seen Day'. Pupils can come to school wearing bright accessories e.g socks, hair bands, wrist bands, bibs as well as their normal school uniform*****

CHILDREN IN NEED – OUR NON UNIFORM DAY RAISED A FANTASTIC £226.60

Thank you for your support

The small change collection for Macmillan Cancer Support, organised by parent Mrs Phimester, raised **£175** – thank you for all your support.

Important Reminder– main school entrance door

Can we please ask all parents visiting the school to never ask a pupil to open the main school entrance door for you? Please ring the bell and wait for an adult to let you in. Thank you.

Shoe Box Appeal – a message from Mrs Casey

A very heartfelt thank you to everyone who has supported this year's shoe box campaign. Your thoughtful and generous donations have been truly amazing so far. We are just over three quarters of the way to reaching our target of 101 boxes. **The deadline for further filled shoeboxes to be in school is 9am Friday 29th November**. Thank you all once again for all your donations. They are very much appreciated.

St Michael's Got Talent - last Friday 8th November- A huge success!

You may have already seen Mrs Clarke's and The Friends Association posts on Facebook/Twitter. The Friends Association posted - *Well done to all the fantastic acts at St Michael's Got Talent- you were all amazing! Also to Mrs Clarke and Mr Jones and everyone involved in putting on such a great show. A huge thank you to everyone that helped and supported The Friends 'Craft Beer and Prosecco Bar – we raised a total of £106.12 for The Friends Association funds.*

The school is very proud of its budding performers!

More Thanks

Mr Frampton has now refurbished all the picnic benches positioned outside our hall – we are very grateful and a huge thank you!

Year 6 are happy – they now have the use of a very comfortable sofa in their classroom – thanks to parent **Mrs Dewar** who has donated one she no longer needed. Thanks go to Mrs Dyer too who also offered to donate a sofa but it was agreed Mrs Dewar's was more fit for purpose!

Scholastic Book Club Leaflets – NO CASH ORDERS PLEASE.

We are sending home Book Club leaflets today. We have set up our Scholastic Book Club school group order online in case any parents want to order this way - https://clubs-school.scholastic.co.uk/st-michaels-ce

You need to order your books on line or by sending a paper order request, completing the credit/debit card section, into school by **Friday 29th November**. After that date, we will confirm that all orders are in and the books will be delivered to school for handing out in class. (Please let us know if you do not want us to give them to your child – e.g. if they are for a gift) For every £1 you spend 20p goes back to our school to spend on much-needed books for our classrooms and library! Many thanks for your support.

Messages from the Friends Association

REMINDER - Friends' Association Christmas Fayre – Saturday 7th December 2019 12-3pm

On line booking system will be open from 3pm today for Father Christmas!

Booking to see Santa at the Christmas Fayre

Visit- https://stmichaelscecombined.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT! Many thanks, The Friends.

Can we please ask for donations of chocolate and bottles for the tombola stalls at the Christmas Fayre. These can be brought into school from next week. Can children please bring in a donation of chocolate on Beauty and the Beast dressing up day – Friday 6th December for the Chocolate Tombola Stall at the Christmas Fayre. Thank you for your support**

An invitation to all parents of Foundation pupils

The pupils and staff in Foundation would like to cordially invite all parents and any family members of Foundation pupils along to watch a Christmas Nativity in the school hall at 9.45am on **Friday 13th December**. Please join us for coffee beforehand from 9am, kindly supplied by The Friends' Association. Book your seats by visiting https://stmichaelscecombined.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/

Tickets for the KS2 Christmas Music Concert on Tuesday 10th December 6.30pm to 8pm (Details from Mrs Deverill to follow)

Tickets for the Foundation Christmas Nativity Friday 13th December 9.45am

Tickets for the KS1 Christmas Production ' Children of the World' – Monday 16th December 2pm and Tuesday 17th December at 6pm

We have set up the online booking system (https://stmichaelscecombined.parentseveningsystem.co.uk/ once again for booking seats for the above forthcoming events. Actual tickets will not be issued but you will be asked to check in at school reception before each event. There is no charge for the tickets but there will be charity collections after the performances.

Two tickets per family please:

- If your KS 2 child is involved in the **KS2 Christmas Music Concert on Tuesday 10th December at 6.30pm** you can book up to **2 tickets per family.** If more tickets are needed please contact the school office. Details from Mrs Deverill will follow.
- **KS1 families** can book up to **2 tickets per family** for the **KS1 Christmas Production 'Children of the world' on Monday 16th December at 2pm or Tuesday 17th December at 6pm .** Can we please request that **no babies or toddlers** are at the evening performance, and if they are present in the afternoon performance can parents please be mindful to take them out if they become unsettled? Thank you.
- **Foundation families** can book up to **4 tickets per family** for the **Foundation Christmas Nativity** on **Friday 13th December at 9.45am**. (Join us for coffee from 9am)
- **If you require additional tickets for any of the events please contact the school office and we will endeavour to meet your requests if space is available.**
- If you are not able to gain access to the internet or have any difficulties with the booking site, please contact the school office who will make bookings on your behalf or you can use our school IT facilities on site

Thank you to The Friends' for serving refreshments for us at all these events!

Video recording – May we clarify that if you did want to video a performance for your own use, you may do so discretely. Please remember any recordings by parents MUST NOT be uploaded onto any form of social media.

Good news from Stewkley Recreation Ground and Pavilion – Fundraising for playground improvements

Please can you pass on the good news that the children's sponsored event, plus local crowdfunding inspired AVDC to donate a further £2,500 towards the playground improvements!

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL SPORTS INFORMATION

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Thornton Trail KS2 Girls Cross Country Event at Thornton College - Friday 15th November 2019
Report by Lucy and Hannah

Last Friday the girls from the cross country team went to Thornton College to run the Thornton Trial. In our team there were 16 of us – Lucy, Hannah, Sarah, Sophie, Anna, Emily, Ava, Lottie, Isabelle, Izzy, Annabel, Georgia, Primrose, Azura, Imogen and Daisy. There were 84 runners in the Year 5/6 race and St Michael's A came 8th and St Michael's B were 19th. In the Year 3/4 race there were 85 runners and St Michael's A came 4th and St Michael's B were 12th. Thank you to all the parents who transported us to Thornton College and to Mr Morley for supporting us. We really enjoyed going to Thornton and the refreshments!

Aylesbury Vale Schools FA Cup Match v Overstone AWAY -
Wednesday 20th November 2019
Report by Sam D and Finley

On Wednesday 20th November the Year 5 and 6 boys had a cup match at Overstone School which they won 4-1. Two of the four goals were scored by Jacob and the other two by Matthew and Stuie. Overstone's only goal was scored from a penalty. However, Overstone played well and gave us a good match. We want to say thank you to Mrs Munday for coaching us to victory and to our parents for transporting and supporting us.

Netball and Hockey After School Clubs

Due to the lack of light, Netball and Hockey after school clubs will stop after this week and resume in late January/February.

Other After School Clubs

Just as a reminder – Beginners Chess Club and Parkour – last session this term is Monday 2nd December.
Year 3/4 Multiskills – Mrs Munday will continue to Tuesday 10th December.
Year 1 and 2 Sports Fever with Stuart – the last session this term will be Wednesday 11th December.
Karate Club – last session this term is Thursday 12th December.

Kind Regards
Alison Cooper
School Secretary

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