ST MICHAEL'S C.E. COMBINED SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

It might have been another short week, but there is always lots going on at St Michael's.
Foundation enjoyed a trip to the Church this week and learnt about why the Church is a special place.
Mr Day & Mr Bay have taken the Year 5s and Year 6s to the tennis courts for some PE sessions this week and excitement is starting to build for our forthcoming residential trips.
Another incredible victory from our Year 6 girls' football team this week – such a great photo of them too! Read on to find out more...
A studious hush descended on our school this week as the Year 6s worked hard doing their SATs.
Another primary school milestone completed and another step closer to secondary school for our oldest children.
Year 1 have a school trip to College Lakes next Friday – please complete the online consent form and use Parentpay for your voluntary contribution. If you have any problems regarding the consent form, please contact me in the office.
Many of you will now be aware of the new online forms system. This should make it much easier for you to grant permission for sporting events, trips etc - literally at the click of a button - and it eliminates the amount of paper that we deal with – the Eco-Council will be delighted to hear that! I hope you will agree that it is a much simpler process and please bear with us while we get to grips with this new system.
No Bank Holiday this weekend so we look forward to welcoming you back on Monday morning.

Best wishes,
Fiona Phimester
School Secretary

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Tuesday 23rd May – Phonics Meeting – 3pm
Thursday 25th May – Grandparents Assembly 2.45pm – Foundation & KSI only
Friday 26th May – Inset Day
Wed 7th June – KS1 Sports Day
Thurs 8th June – KS2 Sports Day
Friday 9th June – Y1 Class Assembly
Friday 15th June – Y2 Cake Sale
Friday 23rd June – Foundation Class Assembly
Saturday 1st July – Family Fun Day
Friday 7th July – Year 2 Class Assembly
Friday 14th July – Y5 Class Assembly
Friday 29th Sept – Family Magic Show

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ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL SPORTS INFORMATION

BIERTON 0-10 ST MICHAEL'S

The amazing St Michaels year 6 girls team wrapped up their second league title win an emphatic victory away at Bierton on Monday. After winning the league last year when they were only in year 5, the girls were pushed hard this season by William Harding and went in to their last game level on points. They knew that a win would seal the championship and were praying they would miss the worst of the thunder storms on Monday afternoon.

St Michaels started in fantastic fashion with Azura scoring from their first attack after a 7 pass move from their own half. They then dominated the game with a hat trick from Primrose, 2 a piece from Daisy and Jet, a wonderful solo goal from Eden and a first goal of the season from Grace C who had pushed up in to the midfield to try and get a goal. The girls dedicated the performance to Zaynab who missed her first game of the season but has been one of the main players for this award winning team.

They are now double league champions as well as Buckinghamshire champions and achieving 3rd place in the south east regional finals. Next is the AVSFA Cup semi final, away at Turnfurlong on Monday where they will be hoping to get to the final and bring home even more silverware.

St Michaels: Eliette (capt), Grace C, Isla, Primrose, Daisy, Jet, Eden and Azura

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCH

This coming Sunday the reading set for the main service involves Christ telling his disciples that there would shortly come a time when in one sense they would no longer see him, and yet in another sense they would still see him. In other words, they would have to learn a new form of recognition, undergo a perspective change, establish a new view on the world and seek a relation with God within it through the enduring presence of the resurrected Christ.

We all have to learn to see things differently as we grow older and to continue learning is to want to see and understand aspects of the world that we couldn't previously, and to want to move further on along our journeys. That is the clear and natural sense in which education goes hand in hand with the challenge Christ presents to his disciples, and we pray at this time not only for those reaching landmark, exam-based moments in their educational journeys, but for everyone seeking to further their development and their appreciation of the context in which we live and seek, both together and as individuals.

Best wishes for the weekend

Andrew Krauss

A PLEA FROM MRS FRASER

Do you have any pairs of pre-loved socks that may be too small for feet in your family, but still have some steps left in them? Are they suitable for the little toes in Foundation and Year 1? Please drop any donations into the school office and they will be gratefully received as spares. Many thanks in advance.

ECO COUNCILLORS

Our Eco Councillors from Y4 have collected this impressive stash of batteries from all the classes and they are now ready to be taken to be recycled at a local supermarket. Well don and a big thank you to everyone who has taken in their old batteries.

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KING'S CORONATION CELEBRATIONS

Thank you to all the children who attended the Coronation event in the village last Sunday and took part in the Maypole dancing display. You were all fabulous! It was a great village event and we were so lucky that the sun came out. Thank you to Friends for running their sweet stall and also to our ever enthusiastic Mr Day for organising so many fun races for all the children.

GOLDEN LEARNERS

Congratulations to all these superstars this week:

Foundation	Charlie C, Jack R, Oliver C
Year 1	Lucy G, Edie A, Tyler K
Year 2	Maddie M, Paige M, Gabriel W-C
Year 3	Deany-Lee H, Joseph W, Monty D
Year 4	Tom C, Layla C, Rosie T
Year 5	Tegan G, Henry R, Georgie S

ATTENDANCE AWARD

A well-deserved Attendance trophy for Year 6 this week with 100% attendance.

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Year 6 will be hosting a Book & Sweets Sale on Friday 19th May to raise money for their Leaver's Party. Please find them on the playground if the weather is fair.

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FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

Unfortunately the planned Movie Nights have been cancelled due to lack of helpers. Please don't let this happen to the forthcoming Family Fun Day and please pledge your support by contacting the Friends email or using the QR code on the poster.

The Friends would love some new committee members who can spare the occasional couple of hours to help at events, raise money to support our fabulous school, help provide fun events for our children, create precious primary school memories and meet new friends and have a laugh at the same time. What's not to love? Sign up now!

Does the thought of joining Friends of St Michael's committee break you out in a sweat!?!

Feel like you can't committee *allllll* that time but still want to help in some way?

Join our Helpers Group

We will add you to our helpers list and when we need some help we will put a call out. If you can help, brilliant, if you can't no worries we'll catch you next time!

The ways in which you can help is endless but includes:

- **Baking cakes**
- **Manning stalls and helping on the day to run events**
- **Providing services or skills that you have or have access to that will help with fundraising events**

Of course if joining the committee does appeal we would love to welcome you

If you would like to be added to our helpers group or want more information on the Friends please email: pta-stmichaels@outlook.com

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Friends of St Michael's School

FAMILY FUN DAY

Saturday 1st July
Time: 12pm - 4pm

We need your help

We have had lots of pledges of support but we need people to take charge of organising & running stalls such as:

- Bar
- BBQ
- Sweet Stall
- Ice Cream Stall
- Cake Stall
- Jam Jar Tombola
- Floor is Lava
- Toilet Roll Toss
- Beat the Goalie
- Lollipop pick
- Temporary Tattoos
- Outside Stall Holders
- Selfie Booth
- Tug of War
- Selling tokens

Please sign up by Thursday 25th May at the following website https://volunteersignup.org/3BRTR or scan the QR Code

If we do not get enough volunteers sign up we will not be able to run the fun day

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#together bell ringers from this week – Well done!

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MESSAGE FROM OUR LEARNING MENTOR, MRS HANN

I'm looking forward to welcoming some of you your first Coffee and a Chat meeting on Monday in the Nest 9-00 to 9-30am. It's not too late to let me know that you would like to come along. You do this by texting school or emailing the office "Yes please Mrs Hann". There will be biscuits!

This week in assemblies, we have been listening to "A lark ascending" by Vaughan Williams. The children have been noticing how the melody changes to match the idea of the Lark rising up in flight. Enjoy!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZR2JlDnT2l8

Wishing you a great weekend.
Best wishes as always
H Hann
Learning Mento

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INSET DAYS

Please see below for the dates of Inset Days for the next academic year. These can also be found on our website: https://www.st-michaels.bucks.sch.uk/Parents/Term-Dates/

Friday 1st September 2023
Monday 4th September 2023
Friday 20th October 2023
Friday 9th February 2024
Friday 24th May 2024

ABSENCE

If your child is absent for any reason, please contact the office via phone/email/ text prior to 9.15am. Please confirm on every consecutive day they will be absent, until they return. Please note: If we do not know the reason by 9.15am, a text will be sent to you and any unexplained absences will be reported as unauthorised.

If they have suffered from vomit or diarrhoea, please do not return your child until **48 hours** since their last episode.

Please also note that if your child is on a course of anti-biotics, we are able to administer the medication if they are prescribed 4 doses per day. The medication must be delivered to the office by a parent and a medical consent form completed before we can administer the anti-biotics.

SCHOOL DINNERS

School dinners can be ordered via Parent Pay.

The deadline for booking is a **Tuesday at midnight, 2 weeks in advance**. If you require a Special/Medical Diet Menu please contact the office.

If you need to cancel a school dinner after the deadline, you must give 48 hours' notice and call Chartwells on 01908 615705 or email creativekitchenadmin2@comp.

BREAKFAST CLUB & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Please book your sessions for Breakfast and After School Clubs via Parentpay before midnight on Thursday for the following week.

SPORTS DAYS

With our Summer Term rapidly approaching, we can start to look forward to our Sports Days.

KS1 & Foundation: Wednesday 7th June

Team Sports: 9.30am – 11am approx.
Races: 1.30pm – 3.15pm approx.

KS2: Thurdsay 8th June

Team Sports: 9.30am – 11.30am approx.
Races: 1.30pm – 3.15pm

Parent and carers are welcome to come along to the morning team sports before they go home for lunch at approx. 11am. They are then invited to join us again in the afternoon for the races which will start at 1.30pm.

We look forward to seeing you.

13th June – Reserve Sports Day in case of exceptional circumstances.

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FREE ONLINE SCHOOLS COURSES for PARENTS and CARERS

To book - SCAN the QR code, CLICK on the link below or PHONE 01296 383582

RECEPTION

Wellbeing

GETTING CONFIDENT for YEAR 1 (5 WEEKS) Help your child be ready for the big jump from Reception to Year 1

- **Monday 5 June, 9:30am-11:30am** OR **Tuesday 6 June, 9:30am-11:30am**

WORKSHOP Every Wednesdays, 9:30am-11:30am

- **7 June: Help your Child with Handwriting**
- **14 June: Developing Writing through Stories**
- **21 June: The Fish Who Could Wish**
- **28 June - Wellbeing**
- **5 July - Have Fun While Learning Outside**

Crafts

YEARS 1 & 2

SUPPORT YOUR CHILD WITH SCIENCE (5 WEEKS)

Science

Learn how to support your child to improve their skills and knowledge in science.

- **Monday 5 June, 7pm-9pm**
- **Tuesday 6 June, 12:30pm-2:30pm**
- **Wednesday 7 June, 9:30am-11:30am**
- **Thursday 8 June, 9:30am-11:30am**

YEARS 3 & 4

Maths

SUPPORTING YOUR CHILD WITH FRACTIONS, DECIMALS and PERCENTAGES (5 WEEKS)

- **Tuesday 6 June, 9:30am-11:30am**
- **Wednesday 7 June, 12:30pm-2:30pm**
- **Thursday 8 June, 7pm-9pm**

HELP YOUR CHILD TACKLE MATHS PROBLEMS WORKSHOP

- **Tuesday 11 July, 9:30am-11:30am**
- **Wednesday, 12 July, 12:30pm-2:30pm**

YEARS 3, 4, 5 & 6

SUPPORT your CHILD with HOMEWORK WORKSHOP

- **Wednesday 12 July, 7pm-9pm**
- **Thursday, 13 July - 9:30am-11:30am**

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FREE EARLY YEARS COURSES for PARENTS and CARERS

Booking is essential. SCAN the QR code, CLICK on the link or PHONE 01296 383582

STEPS INTO NURSERY WORKSHOPS

HAMPDEN WAY FAMILY CENTRE, HIGH WYCOMBE (PARENT AND CHILD)

- **Wednesday 21 June and 05 July, 10am to 11:30am**

ONLINE (PARENT ONLY)

- **Tuesday 04 July, 9:30am to 11am**

Imagination

GET READY FOR RECEPTION WORKSHOPS

ONLINE (PARENTS ONLY)

- **Tuesday 13 June, 20 June and 27 June, 9:30am to 11am**

ELMHURST FAMILY CENTRE, AYLESBURY (PARENT and CHILD)

- **Thursday 15 June and 22 June, 10am to 11:30am**

NEWTOWN FAMILY CENTRE, CHESHAM (PARENT AND CHILD)

- **Wednesday 28 June, 10am to 11:30am**

WORKSHOP WEDNESDAYS 10AM TO 11:30AM

HAMPDEN WAY FAMILY CENTRE, HIGH WYCOMBE

- **07 June, Little Gardeners Workshop**
- **14 June, 10 Little Pirates**

NEWTOWN FAMILY CENTRE, CHESHAM

- **14 June, Bear, Brown Bear what do you see?**
- **21 June, Hole at the Bottom of the Sea**
- **05 July, Little Gardeners Workshop**

ELMHURST FAMILY CENTRE, AYLESBURY

- **29 June (Thursday), Super Duck**

STORY EXPLORERS 5 WEEK COURSE

Learn many fun practical ideas to support you child's speech and language development through different types of play (5 weeks)

SOUTHCOURT FAMILY CENTRE, AYLESBURY

- **Tuesday 13 June, 1pm to 2:30pm**

FIRST AID WORKSHOP

Increase your confidence and learn how to deal with basic First Aid. Lots of practical tips on how to deal with choking, burns and minor injuries.

NEWTOWN FAMILY CENTRE, CHESHAM

- **Friday 09 June, 9.30am to 12pm**

HAMPDEN WAY FAMILY CENTRE, HIGH WYCOMBE

- **Friday 19 July, 9.30am to 12pm**

Sensory

BUSY FINGERS 4 WEEK COURSE

Explore fun ideas, toys and games to support your child's fine motor skills development (4 weeks)

HITHERCROFT FAMILY CENTRE, HIGH WYCOMBE

- **Monday 12 June, 9:30am to 11:30am**

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How to deal with...

Stress, Anxiety and Low Mood

Course for young people

Would you like to feel better about life? Do you feel stuck and need some tips on how to move on?

Starts week commencing 5 June 2023

If you're in school years 7 and above then our interactive 6-week course could be for you!

6 sessions cover:

- What stress, anxiety and low mood actually are
- Strategies to feel better
- How to deal with setbacks
- Planning for a brighter future

Book by 22 May 2023

To secure your place, scan the QR code for more information.

If you need help email earlyhelpduty@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

Aylesbury
Tuesdays
5:30 to 6:30pm
Southcourt
Family Centre Plus

High Wycombe
Wednesdays
6pm to 7pm
Castlefield
Family Centre

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Family Support Service

Meet-up Mondays

Parent and carer coffee drop-in

Starting 5 June 2023

- Are you a parent locally that would like to meet other parents? Do you want somewhere to go to share hints and tips with other parents?
- Come along to our fortnightly coffee drop-in at **Southcourt Family Centre Plus** and meet other parents. Free tea, coffee and biscuits are provided.
- A member of the Family Support Service will be available at the centre if you need advice, support or to request a food bank voucher.

CONTACT US

01296 398 242

southcourtfcp@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

9:30 to 11:00am

Scan the QR code for dates

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The chance to connect with like-minded people who have walked in your shoes.

Walking With You is a parent led support group for anyone supporting children and young people, up to the age of 25, experiencing mental health difficulties.

You can take part discussing shared experiences with other parents and carers as well as having **mental health professionals from CAMHs** on-hand to support and answer any questions you may have.

Currently sessions are being ran by Microsoft Teams. you can join or leave as any point (meetings are not recorded).

Our next three sessions are:

Friday April 28th 10-11.30am
Local Services Bucks County Council, KOOTH, SENDIAS, CAMHS/SPA.

Friday May 26th 10-11.30am
Anxiety, Emotional regulation and Violent behaviours.

Friday June 23rd 10-11.30am*
Transitions - CAMHS to AMS, School, University, apprenticeships, work place.

*face to face meeting

If you would like to join our session/s or would like further information, please contact:

Oma Nwajiuba,
Participation Lead
Barnado's Bucks CAMHs & Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust at
ekeoma.nwajiuba@barnardos.org.uk

Please also confirm your consent to use your e-mail address.

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