ST MICHAEL'S C.E. COMBINED SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Our Year 4s have all returned safely from their residential trip from Everdon. It was my first residential experience and although I'm looking forward to my bed tonight, the children were an absolute pleasure to spend time with and it was great to get to know them all a bit better.

Please see below for some Sports Day photos and details of the re-arranged dates.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes
Mrs Fiona Phimester

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Mon 17th June – Fri 21st June – Year 6 Isle of Wight Residential Trip
Thurs 20th June – Year 1 & 2 Trip to Whipsnade Zoo
Fri 21st June – Foundation trip to Waddesdon Manor
Fri 21st June – Year 4 Class Assembly 9am
Tues 25th June – Contingency KS1 Sports Day
Wed 26th June – Contingency KS2 Sports Day
Fri 28th June – Year 1 Class Picnic 2.30pm
Mon 1st July – Girls County Football Finals
Wed 3rd July – Fri 5th July – Year 5 Hudnall Residential Trip
Mon 8th July – District Athletics
Thurs 11th July – School Discos
Fri 12th July – Year 3 Class Assembly 9am
Tues 16th July – NO AFTER SCHOOL CLUB AVAILABLE
Fri 19th July – Year 5 Class Assembly 9am
Tues 23rd July – Year 6 Leavers' Assembly 1.50pm

MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCH

First of all, I hope everyone involved enjoyed Sports Day! We rightly say of such occasions that it is the participating that matters. We do of course have another big event on the horizon – the election. Participation matters a lot here as well, clearly, but the importance that some might place on winning in this case is going to be somewhat higher than a fun occasion like a sports day. Run ups to elections, both here and elsewhere can be tense and also revealing times and we pray for a balanced, responsible and proportionate approach to election day itself, remembering the great diversity of needs and concerns alongside the great pressures of public office. We may have different views on what is best, but still have to work together in shaping any future direction.

With all best wishes

Andrew Krauss

MESSAGE FROM MRS HANN

What is a glimmer?

This is one of mine. Glimmers are things that bring us a moment of calm and joy. We are used to noticing what triggers us or our children to become upset, anxious or angry i.e. dysregulated. There is increasing evidence that if we also practise noticing "glimmers" as part of day-to-day life, it becomes a habit. It can help offset stress, anxiety and low mood- a kind of balancing the books. It's also a great habit to teach children to help them learn to regulate. I hope this is useful. If you want to know more, let me know as I have some resources about this.

Best wishes as always.
H Hann
Learning Mentor and DSL
My usual working pattern is Monday to Wednesday in school.

GOLDEN LEARNERS

Well done to these superstars for being this week's Golden Learners.

Foundation	**Alby, Ellie, Rory**
Year 1	**Casey, Joseph, Maisie**
Year 2	**Jacob, Reggie, Theodore**
Year 3	**Eliza, Harrison, Samuel**
Year 4	**EVERDON RESIDENTIAL TRIP**
Year 5	**Edward, Eliza, Madison**
Year 6	**Chloe, Henry, Gabriella**

BOOK FAIR

Thank you for the positive response to the book fair. The children were all very excited and it was wonderful to see them so interested in the books. In total, parents spent **£1180.46** on books. This means school will receive an amazing **£590.23** to spend on brand new books for the children to use in the libraries and classrooms.

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ST MICHAELS CELEBRATIONS

Year 2 Class Assembly

Well done to Year 2 for a fabulous class assembly this morning. Wonderful poem recital and singing.

Attendance Cup

Well done to Year 6 for 100% attendance this week! Great work!

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Or email us at – pta-stmichaels@outlook.com

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ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL SPORTS INFORMATION

*****REARRANGED SPORTS DAYS*****

KS1/Foundation 25th June
Team Sports - 9.30 start
Race Day - 1.30 start

KS2 -26th June
Race Day - 1.30 start

Gate opens 15 minutes before the start

SPORTS DAY PHOTOS

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Kingsbrook Football Tournament

On the last day of half term, our girls cup team travelled to Kingsbrook to play in a football tournament. We played 6 games across the competition and had a mixed bag of results, although we did beat the eventual winners of the tournament. Special mention to Rosie Tu who scored 8 goals and to our amazing defence of Josie and Rosie Ta who put in tackle after tackle.
Next competition for these girls in the County Finals in July, which they are going to as Aylesbury Vale Champions.
St M – Chloe (capt), Maddie, Emmie, Peggy, Gracie, Josie, Rosie Ta, Rosie Tu

Cricket tournament.

Last week our year 6 boys travelled all the way to Stewkley Cricket Club for a tournament against some strong teams from our local area. A great win over Buckingham Park in our first game was followed up by a win over W and we needed to beat High Ash to make the final. Unfortunately we came across a very skilled High Ash team who were too strong for our boys this time.
All our boys performed brilliantly, for some this was their first ever cricket matches, so well done to all.
St M – Henry (capt), Given, Seb, Harry, Jamie, Harvey, Kian, Cameron, Teddy, Jake

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GENERAL SCHOOL INFO

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.

ATTENDANCE

Just to remind our parents if any child has an attendance rate of less than 92%, Mr Morley will be in contact with parents to make them aware of the situation with a view to improving the child's attendance at school which has a direct impact on their learning.

Our Attendance Policy states that all holiday related absence in term time will be recorded as 'Unauthorised'. From 1st September 2023, the school will be submitting this data to the local authority and Buckinghamshire Council will begin the process of issuing fines.

St. Michael's ASC After School Club

At our in-house after-school club we have fun activities on offer

Stay and Play
Join us for Play-worker led activities on Mondays & Fridays

Changing Tuesdays
We will be doing these activities :
04/06/24 - Minute to Win it Championship
11/06/24 - Computer Club
18/06/24 - Lego Club
25/06/24 - Outside Games (! weather permitting !)
02/07/24 - Computer Club
09/07/24 - Big Screen Pictionary
*** * * 16/07/24 - NO ASC today due to all staff training * * ***

Art Club Wednesdays
Each week we create different types of art and crafts throughout the year. Learning new techniques.

Scarecrow Making first two weeks
then back to Book Club Thursdays
Children will be able to relax and listen to a story.
We sometime make listening dens and just like book club we will stop at an appropriate point, to discuss as we go.

To book a place on the after-school club for either **1** hour or **1.5** hours please do this via Parent Pay by **Thursday** at midnight for the following week.

Children to be collected at 4.30pm or at 5pm

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ALL AGES WELCOME

SATURDAY 6TH JULY
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RUNNING EVENTS START FROM 10:30AM
FEST OPENS @ 10AM TO 4PM

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