St Michael's C of E School Newsletter

NO 36

Dear Parents, Carers & School Community,

Wow! Less than three weeks to go until the end of this school year.

We are having such fun at St Michael's, it will be a shame to stop but, we still have lots going on in the next couple of weeks, so lots to look forward too.

This week we have seen Year 5 enjoying their residential trip to Everdon. I think all of the staff and pupils that attended will be having a good, long sleep tonight!

Next week all year groups will be meeting their new teachers, I know that the pupils and staff alike, are really looking forward to this.

As always I hope you are all well and staying safe.
Have a lovely weekend everyone!

Warmest Regards,
Mrs Dena Gardner,
School Secretary

ATTENDANCE

Well done to Year 2 for 100% attendance this week.

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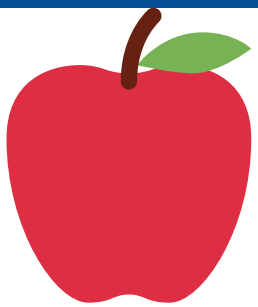
SCHOOL OFFICE

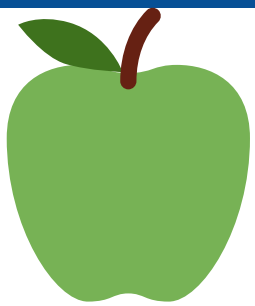
To report a school absence or for any concerns or enquiries:
Call 01525 240248
Email: office@st-michaels.bucks.sch.uk
Text: 07786208889 (Text Only)

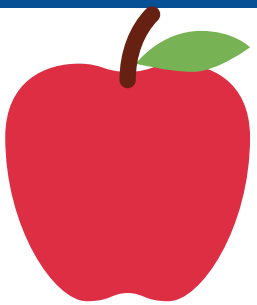
ABSENCES

Please report if your child is absent for any reason before 9.30am and please confirm on every consecutive day they will be absent until they return.

Please remember DO NOT send your children into school if they are displaying any of the following symptoms:
New continuous cough and / or high temperature and / or a loss of, change in normal sense of taste or smell.
Please contact the school by text, email or phone for advice if unsure or visit the following website:
https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/symptoms/







Black Shoes

Just a reminder, that from September, our uniform policy will be back back and updated and black school shoes (not trainers) will be compulsory.

School Uniform Ordering

This is just a gentle reminder that NOW is the best time to start thinking about ordering uniforms ready for September.

The uniform shop always advise us that ordering at the beginning of the school holidays is always recommended, as towards the end of the holidays, they get very, very busy.

We would hate for our parents to not be able to get the items they require because they leave it too late.

To place an order online, copy and paste the following link:

kedaphschoolwear.co.uk/product-category/find-your-school/st-michael-s-c-e-combined-school/

Residential Trips Planned for 2022

We hope, that next year, we will be getting back to some kind of "normal" and residential trips will go ahead as planned. Here are some dates for your diary:

Year 6 Isle of Wight - 5 days - June 20th

Year 5 Hudnall Park - 3 Days - July 6th

Year 4 Everdon - 3 Days - June 15th

Year 3 Caldecotte - 2 Days- June 9th

COVID Testing

With cases starting to rise again, particularly in children in other schools, we need to remind parents of the importance of going for a PCR test at the **first instant** your child presents with ANY COVID SYMPTOM (please do not wait).

The advice we had recently from a public health officer regarding the difference between Lateral Flow and PCR Tests were that

Lateral Flow Tests are for asymptomatic testing only, and cannot be used to exempt suspected cases, as they are less sensitive to low viral loads than a PCR test. A child with symptoms is a suspected case and should self-isolate (along with his household contacts) until or unless he gets a negative PCR result.

One way to think about this is that a positive result for either LFT or PCR is a red light (stop, isolate), but **only** a negative PCR result is a green light (back to normal).

Please don't take a risk, we are aware that there may be different viruses doing the rounds at the moment, but we must always rule out COVID before we can allow children into school with any know symptoms of COVID, unless they have a medical diagnosis that state it is due to something else. .

GOLDEN LEARNERS

FOUNDATION
Poppy Medway
Edward Raymen
Grace Hill

YEAR 1
Edith Monk
Monty Dewick
Yiannis Parker

YEAR 2
Jack Lee
Henry Smith
Sophie Dewhirst

YEAR 3
Harry Short
Henry Russell
Georgie Skilton

Year 4
Evelina Deacon
Lottie Dunn
Robbie Dunn

YEAR 5
Sofia Mee
Matilda Robinson
Elsie Godfrey

YEAR 6
India-Rose Kynaston
Matilda Hall
Sam Smith

#together Bell Ringers

Well Done to all of these St Michael's Superstars!

July is here and maybe you are already thinking about summer holidays. Maybe you are lucky enough to be going away this summer or maybe you will be spending time at home enjoying the beautiful countryside that we have around us. One thing we cannot guarantee is the weather. One of the things that I love to do is to read a good book over the summer holidays, because it doesn't really matter whether I'm sitting in my living room on a wet summer day, or I'm sitting on the patio in the blazing sunshine, I can be transported to wherever I would like to be through the magic of reading a book!

As you all know I love books and often use them in my assemblies as they often teach us something a bit deeper about how we should care and look after one another and for me, remind me of how God would want us to treat others. Some of my most recent favourite books are -

The boy at the back of the class - Onjali Q. Rauf - 8+
The Midnight Gang- David Walliams - 6+
Where happiness begins - Eva Eland - all ages

For many years now the library have been doing reading challenges and this year is no different! You can sign up online or in the library, and as you read and review books you get rewards along the way, often including stickers and a medal at the end. This years challenge is called "Wild World Heros!". More information can be found here www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk

Happy Reading!
Rev. Donna

The Friend's Association

Join our facebook page: @friends&parentsofstmichaelsschool stewkley

Be part of the school community and help raise funds for different school projects and activities!

COMMITTEE MEMBERS
Chair: Hannah Pierce
Treasurer: Alex Towse
Secretary: Laura Lee
Publicist: Lydia Bryant
Teacher Representatice: Mrs Clarke

The Stewkley Scarecrow Trail !
Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th July

Ice Cream Van up at the Rec Pavillion

Cakes & Refreshments at the Church

Sweets & Treats at the Chapel

Bar and bar snacks at the Pavillion from 3.30pm (saturday only)

AN EVENT FOR THE WHOLE VILLAGE

The Stewkley Scarecrow Trail

Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th July 2021

Walk around the village and view the amazing scarecrows whilst raising funds for The School , The Church , The Chapel and the Rec Committee

Stalls , Tea & Cake, Refreshments, Ice Cream Van , Music and more along HSN & HSS !

Maps will be sold for the scarecrow trail

Prizes for the "Best Dressed Scarecrow"

To enter your scarecrow onto the trail and listed on the trail map , please email smsfriendsassociation@gmail.com for an entry form.

Chartwell's are planning a themed "Summer Celebration" food day.
Thursday 15th July
If you would like to order food for that day the deadline will be next Tuesday 6th July at midnight via ParentPay.

Thinking of returning to your role as a healthcare professional? We can help you!

This message goes out to all parents, carers and members of the local community who may once have been a healthcare professional such as a nurse or midwife and now considering a return.

Returning healthcare professionals have a key role to play in ensuring patients and service users have access to experienced and well-trained care staff equipped with the right skills.

Health Education England (NHS) provide funding to support the pathways to return and are keen to support or answer any questions you may have if you are considering returning to perhaps nursing, midwifery or If you trained as an allied health professional (AHP) or a healthcare scientist (HCS) but have since left the profession.

Please do contact us for more information on: 01865 932097 or email returntopractice.se@hee.nhs.uk