ST MICHAEL'S C.E. COMBINED SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers

Our Year 5 are currently on their way from their few days in Hudnall Park and hopefully will be full of fond memories to share with you over the weekend.
Our Year 6's had a great couple of days at their new schools in September. They were excited to tell Miss Venters all about the new friends they had made and which form group they will be in.
The end of term discos are next Thursday. Please book your ticket online via Parentpay if you haven't already done so.
The Dates for your Diaries is significantly smaller than usual now that we are getting close to the end of term!
When you collect your child/children at the end of the day, please can I remind parents not to let their children play on the outdoor equipment as we want to avoid any injuries. Many thanks.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Best wishes
Mrs Fiona Phimester

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Mon 8th July – District Athletics
Thurs 11th July – School Discos
Fri 12th July – Year 6 and Foundation Zoo Trip
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

CLASSES FOR SEPTEMBER

Please see below for details of the class teachers for the new academic year.

FOUNDATION -Mrs Fraser
YEAR 1 - Mrs Evans
YEAR 2 - Miss Hyland
YEAR 3 - Miss Venters
YEAR 4 - Mrs Buckland / Mrs Deverill
YEAR 5 - Miss Law
YEAR 6 - Mrs Garwood

Mrs Howland (Miss Wildman) will sadly be leaving us at the end of term and moving to Gloucestershire. We are delighted that we have been able to recruit Miss Hyland who will be joining us from Newton Longville School. All of our children will meet their new teachers on our Transition Morning on Wednesday 10th July.

FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

After several years of dedication and many, many successful fundraising events, Mrs Turnbull and Mrs Vale have decided to step aside from their roles as Chair and Secretary.
Friends Association do a tremendous amount for St Michael's, both in terms of raising invaluable funds for the school and providing fabulously fun events for the children which are enjoyed by all.
If you are interested in stepping up to either of the imminent vacancies, or are interested in finding out a little more about the roles, please contact Mrs Phimester in the school office in the first instance.

STEWKLEY BALL

On the 22nd June, Mr and Mrs Pollard (current parents) along with Mrs Mardlin (ex-parent) hosted the Stewkley Summer Ball to raise funds for Little Hearts Matter. The evening was a tremendous success with an incredible £30,000 raised.
The event was a wonderful tribute to Paul Mardlin who tragically passed away exactly a year previous and played such an integral part in the organising of the Ball. Paul was also often helping out at events at St Michael's and he is such a loss to all who knew him.
St Michael's School are delighted and touched to receive a generous donation of £5000 from the proceeds of the Stewkley Ball and will ensure that it will be spent wisely. Thank you.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCH

In a recent assembly we thought about the amazing but true story of Mary Jones, a young girl who lived over two hundred years ago in the Welsh hills, in a place where there were almost no books and neither she nor her parents could read. Through immense perseverance Mary managed to learn to read at the nearest school to her, which had only recently been founded and which necessitated quite a long walk in all weathers. She was then so determined to own her own Bible that she worked and saved for six years before making a 26 mile walk to the nearest town that had a Bible for sale. So moved by her story was the minister in question, that he gave Mary priority over someone else that he had already promised a Bible to, and he went on to found the British and Foreign Bible Society, whose work to provide Bibles accessible to all continues to this day. While we are very lucky where we are that so many books are so readily available, we know that there continue to be places in the world where this isn't true and where education is not so widespread. Mary Jones' story also shows what perseverance can achieve, not just for the one who originally does the persevering, but also because of the actions thereby prompted in others who are inspired by their resilience. Let us both pray and give thanks for similar types of true story that may be an inspiration for good in our world today.

Best wishes for the last few weeks of term

Andrew Krauss

MESSAGE FROM MRS HANN

Training for parents, early years and school staff - Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust - CYP Website
buckshealthcare.nhs.uk

During the week, I had a meeting with a Speech and Language therapist, during which I asked what is available to help parents and carers with supporting children's speech and language development. The above link was shared with me. There may well be something here that will be useful for you to look into further. Do let me know how you get on.

This week we have really enjoyed listening to this golden oldie- the melody and lyrics have been perfect for this week. Enjoy!

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	**George, Amelie, Barnaby**
Year 1	**Jack, Albert, Lily-May**
Year 2	**Edwin, Iris, Edie B**
Year 3	**Mia, Edward, Cecily**
Year 4	**Willow, Alfie, Edie**
Year 5	**HUDNALL PARK RESIDENTIAL**
Year 6	**Harvey, Aisha, Aviya**

LOST PROPERTY

Our Lost Property basket is very full. Please come and have a look if your child has lost anything. If it is unclaimed and unnamed, it will be moved into our 'pre-loved' uniform cupboard at the end of term. The cap below has been reunited with its owner, but we still have the camping chair in the office. Please come and collect asap if it belongs to you.

LOST PROPERTY – PLEASE COME AND CHECK OUR BASKET FOR ANY MISSING ITEMS.

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Attendance Cup
Well done to Year 5 this week who have managed 100% attendance this week.

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ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL SPORTS INFORMATION

Girls County Cup Final

On Monday our amazing girls team travelled to Stoke Mandeville Stadium for the Buckinghamshire County Finals. They qualified as Aylesbury Vale Champions (4th year in a row) and travelled to take on the best and biggest schools in the County.
The day started off win 2 great wins against Haddenham and Bedgrove, featuring some great goals from Gracie and Rosie Tu. Results didn't go for us after that, but the girls ended up finishing 6th out of the whole of Buckinghamshire.
They did bring home some silverware though, St Michaels won the Fair Play Cup, voted for by the tournament referees, a testament to how we play the game with a smile on our face at St Michael's.
This is the end of another extremely successful year for our girl footballers and we look forward to next season.
Thanks to all our year 6 girls who have represented the school over the last two years, 14 of the current year 6 girls have played for the school and should be really proud of themselves. Special mention to Chloe M who has been the captain this year and has won more medals than I can count over her time at St Michaels.

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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.

155th
Bucks County Show
THURSDAY 29TH AUGUST 2024
BUCKS COUNTY
AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION
WWW.BUCKSCOUNTYSHOW.CO.UK
HOME & GARDENS
SCHEDULE
CLASSES FOR ADULTS & CHILDREN
Closing Date for Entries:
Tuesday 13th August 2024
Held by kind permission of
Mr & Mrs R Blacklock and Mr G Anson
Holding No. 03/231/8000-01
WEEDON PARK, AYLESBURY – (A413 Aylesbury/Buckingham Road, HP22 4NN)

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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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JUNIOR OPEN DAY

This fun golf day for juniors aged 6-12 for all abilities! Come and give golf a try! The following days are available:

On Tuesday's during the summer holidays
30th July, 6th August, 13th August and 20th August

10:00	Arrival + Check In
10:15	Coaching with competitions on the Driving Range, Chipping area and Putting.
12:45	LUNCH (Nuggets, Chips n Beans)
13:30	Golf Course Games First steps onto the golf course playing 3 holes as a team
15:45	Results, Presentation and Prizes
16:00	Finish

EACH DAY INCLUDES LUNCH AND COSTS

£35

per child each day

You must book your child's place in any day in order to take part
Price includes, greenfees, range balls, coaching, competition, lunch and prizes
Ages 6-12 all abilities. Maximum number 20 people

TO SIGN UP CONTACT
HEAD PGA PROFESSIONAL RUSSELL PHILLIPS ON
07843 692948 or r.phillips@avgc.co.uk
Please book at least 1 week in advance as some days may cancel and please pay on arrival.

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ALL AGES WELCOME
SATURDAY 6TH JULY
@THE COTTESLOE SCHOOL
RUNNING EVENTS START FROM 10:30AM
FEST OPENS @ 10AM TO 4PM

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