



'Learning together through love, friendship, forgiveness and faith'

Wednesday 30th March 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

The end of spring term is just around the corner on *Friday 8th April*. School will close at **1.30pm**.

Staff are disheartened things we had planned for this half term for parents to attend were not able to happen. We were very much looking forward to seeing you in school but yet again COVID took hold!

For your information, healthy 5 to 11-year olds will be offered the COVID-19 vaccine from the **beginning of April**. Vaccinations will take place outside of school, in vaccination centres, pharmacies, GP surgeries and walk-in centres. Parents of 5 to 11-year olds will receive a letter from the NHS with further information on the vaccine.

For 5 to 11 year old you can [book COVID-19 vaccination appointments online](#), at a vaccination centre or pharmacy, or [find a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination site](#) without needing an appointment.

I have had several parents asking about the Easter Service next Wednesday and whether we have decided to postpone it. With COVID still travelling through the school, we have decided to postpone going to the Church and instead we will be holding the Easter Service at school. Unfortunately, we will not be able to invite parents to join us. I know there will be a split between parents with this decision but please be reassured that it was not a decision we have taken lightly. As a school community, we are aware many of our families will be travelling to see family members and friends, as well as flying abroad. We would therefore like to reduce the spread of COVID and the possible impact on your Easter Holidays.

The service will be recorded, and a link sent home. Please **do not** share the link and paste the link on any social media platforms. This link will be just for you as a family of St Michael's C of E. We ask that you respect this decision, so that we can share our Easter Service with you.

In school, the children have had a busy half term with Science Week, World Book Day and a visit from the Book Fair. We have even had a number of PTA activities that have taken place: Challenge 2022, Wear What you Love, Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, Doughies Pizza Night, Mother's Day and we still have the Easter Egg Hunt next Thursday 7th April, taking place during the school day 😊

I am aware that Mr Thompson has already been in contact with the PTA and fingers crossed, St Michael's could well have a Summer Fete this year! There's even talk of a school Disco.

The staff and I have started planning for the Platinum Jubilee celebrations to take place 'just' before the May Half Term. All I can say is, it's VERY exciting!

My term at St Michael's will come to an end next Friday. The term has flown by and I have thoroughly relished my time as Interim Headteacher at St Michael's. It has been a pleasure to have had the opportunity to get to know the school, the children, the staff, the governors and parents. I know you will welcome Mr Thompson and that he is very much looking forward to joining you all after Easter.

I wish you all a wonderful Easter and all the best for the future.

With warmest wishes,

Mrs T. Ball
Interim Headteacher