



St. Michael's C.E. Primary School  
learning together through love, friendship, forgiveness and faith.

# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents, Carers,

*This half term has been such a busy time for the children. It is hard to believe we only have this week before half term, and the children will have the opportunity to recharge their batteries and enjoy some down time, with family and friends.*

## *Family Fireworks*

*A huge thank you to Barry Agar and Sarah (BA Sports) for all their hard work and commitment organising the 'Family Fireworks' for this Saturday, October 26th. All the monies raised will be used to ensure we can continue to work with BA Sports to provide quality PE, across the school. Thank you also to our PTA for their enthusiasm and generous support during the organising and delivery of the event.*



*Please buy tickets and support our school's continued PE provision by BA Sports. If you have other plans for Saturday, the PTA would welcome your support in the way of a donation. All the children at St Michael's will benefit from the fund raising.*

## *Securing the School- at the beginning and end of the day*

*I would like to politely remind parents and carers that we need to close the gates promptly, at the beginning and end of each school day.*

*While I appreciate it is wonderful to catch up with other families, the school day must start at 8.50am and all Teaching Partners covering the gates need to be in class helping to settle the children. Furthermore, once the children are all safely inside, we need to secure the school.*

*Similarly, at the end of the day, the playground gates need to be locked to ensure safeguarding procedures are also being followed for those children attending clubs.*

*Thank you for your support in this matter. Safeguarding our children is everyone's concern.*

*Kind regards,*

*Lorna Anderton, Head teacher*

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## **Holidays in Term Time**

Please be aware of the school's Attendance Policy and the possibility of incurring a fine if a child (children) are removed from school without the written permission of the head teacher:

### **Leave of absence**

#### **The Law**

Penalty Notices and Legal Action

Education Act 1996 Section 444 (1) 444 (1A) states that

The parent of every child of compulsory school age shall cause him/her to receive efficient full-time education suitable-

(a) to his/her age, ability and aptitude and

(b) to any special needs he/she may have

either by regular attendance at school or otherwise.

Failure to do so may result in legal action taken against the parent under the above legislation.

### **Leave of Absence**

The Education (Pupil Registration) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 explanatory note states:

Regulation 7 of the 2006 Regulations is amended to prohibit the proprietor of a maintained school granting leave of absence to a pupil; except where an application has been made in advance and the proprietor considers that there are exceptional circumstances relating to the application.

**'The fundamental principles for defining 'exceptional' are where requests are rare, significant, unavoidable and short'.**

Leave of absence taken without authorisation may be referred to the Education Welfare Service. This may result in prosecution in the Magistrates Court, or a Fixed Penalty Notice. If a Fixed Penalty Notice is issued, a separate Notice will be issued to each parent for each child.

**The penalty is per parent per child and will be £60 if paid within 21 days, rising to £120 if paid between 22 & 28 days.**

If the penalty notice is not paid each parent may be liable to prosecution at the Magistrates Court, and if proved, each notice may receive a criminal conviction and/or a fine to the maximum of £1,000 plus costs.

Application for term-time leave of absence must be made in writing in advance by the parent with whom the child normally resides. Leave of absence will only be granted where the Head teacher considers it is due to 'exceptional circumstances'. Parent will be informed in writing of the Head teacher's decision.

A copy of the full Attendance Policy is available to view on our website. Paper copies can be arranged by the office.

**AWARDS**

**The following children were awarded a  
certificate for being “Respectful”**

**Year 6** Holly & Seb

**Year 5** Joshua & Samuel

**Year 4** Noah & Gabriella

**Year 3** Zara T & Nancy

**Year 2** Whole Class

**Year 1** Whole Class

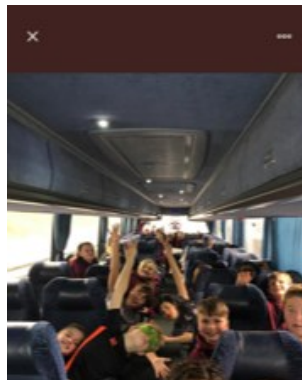
**Reception** Lilian & Lois

**Housepoints** YELLOW House

# BON VOYAGE YEAR 6!



Year 6 are currently enjoying their educational residential visit to France. Whilst there they will be visiting the Somme where their learning about World War I will be put into perspective. To remember those who lost their life in WWI, they have each decorated a pebble and have included the name of a Sunninghill soldier who lost their life. They will place these at each of the memorials that they visit.



Whilst in France, they will also be visiting the market, touring the town of Rue, going to a bakery (boulangerie) and participating in some outdoor activities.

We look forward to hearing about their fantastic trip on their return!



## SPORTS NEWS

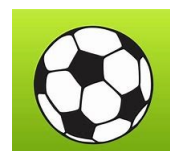


### Football



Last Tuesday at Charters School was the Primary Sports Festival for local primary schools. Thirteen Year 6 children represented our school and demonstrated the 6 R's whilst playing their matches in the tournament.

Well done to all involved!



## NOTICES

### This Friday—25th October...



Please bring your filled Happy Bags to school on or before Friday morning at drop-off.

*Thank you*

School playground,  
Friday at 3.15pm

**2nd hand  
uniform  
SALE**

### NON UNIFORM DAY—FRIDAY



In exchange for a bottle!  
All bottles will be used to  
raise funds on the tombola  
at the Firework  
Extravaganza on Saturday.



<b>Important Dates</b>	
<b>OCTOBER</b>	
Monday 21st October	Year 6 leave for educational visit to France (Returning Friday 25th)
Wednesday 23rd October	9.05am Reception Class Assembly—parents invited
Friday 25th October	Year 1 Cake Sale, 3.15pm in the playground
Friday 25th October	Non uniform day in exchange for a bottle for the Tombola at Fireworks Extravaganza
Friday 25th October	End of term— School finishes at 3.15pm
Saturday 26th October	SCHOOL / BA SPORTS Family Firework Extravaganza at Charters School 4pm-8pm
<b>Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November—HALF TERM</b>	
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
Monday 4th November	INSET—No children in school
Wednesday 6th November	9.05am Year 6 Class Assembly—parents invited
Monday 11th November	11am Remembrance Service on playground—all community invited
Wednesday 13th November	9.05am Year 1 Class Assembly—parents invited
Wednesday 20th November	9.05am Year 5 Class Assembly—parents invited
Wednesday 27th November	9.05am—Year 4 Class Assembly—parents invited
Friday 29th November	9.10am Tree Trimming Assembly Reception & KS1—parents invited
<b>DECEMBER</b>	
Monday 2nd December	9.10am Tree Trimming Assembly KS2—parents invited
Wednesday 4th December	9.05am Year 3 Class Assembly—parents invited
Friday 6th December	Flu Inoculation—Years 1-6
Monday 9th December	1pm—3pm PTA Secret Shopping for children to purchase 'surprise' gifts for someone special. <i>More details to follow</i>
Thursday 12th December	10.30am Whole School Pantomime—Robin Hood Camberley
Friday 13th December	Christmas Movie night 3.15pm—5pm £5 per child. <i>More details to follow</i>
Monday 16th December	4pm KS1 Christmas Production—parents invited
Tuesday 17th December	Reception Nativity—parents invited

 **Added as new or amended this week**



## Important Dates *continued*

### DECEMBER

Wednesday 18th December	Community Carol Singing in the playground. Live music 4.00—5.30pm
Friday 20th December	9.30am Christmas Church Service in the Church
Friday 20th December	End of term—school ends 2pm

### JANUARY

Monday 6th January	INSET Day
Tuesday 7th January	Children return to school
Tuesday 14th January	Open morning for prospective Reception Parents—9.30am
Wednesday 29th January	Year 5 Class Assembly—9.05m Parents invited

### FEBRUARY

Wednesday 12th February	Year 6 Class Assembly—9.05m Parents invited
Friday 14th February	End of term—School ends 3.15pm

### **MONDAY 17TH FEBRUARY TO FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY—HALF TERM**

Monday 24th February	Children return to school
Tuesday 25th February	Parent / Teacher Conferences 1.30pm—5.00pm
Wednesday 26th February	Parent / Teacher Conferences 1.30pm—4.00pm

### MARCH

Wednesday 4th March	Year 4 Class Assembly—9.05m Parents invited
Wednesday 11th March	Year 3 Class Assembly—9.05m Parents invited
Wednesday 18th March	Year 2 Class Assembly—9.05m Parents invited
Wednesday 25th March	Year 1 Class Assembly—9.05m Parents invited

### APRIL

Wednesday 1st April	Reception Class Assembly—9.05m Parents invited
Friday 3rd April	End of term—School ends 2.00pm

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RAISING FUNDS FOR  
ST. MICHAEL'S CE PRIMARY  
SCHOOL

# Family FIREFWORKS & Fun Day

**Saturday 26th October 4pm - 8pm**  
**Fireworks at 7pm**  
**At Charters Leisure Centre, Ascot**

**FREE  
LASER  
TAG**

**FREE  
SCOOTER  
DISCO**

**FREE  
BOUNCY  
CASTLE**

**Food & Drink Stalls**  
**Alcohol Licence**

**Tombola & Raffle**  
**Candy Floss & Popcorn**

**Adult  
£10**

**Child  
£5**

**Family  
of 3  
£20**

**Family  
of 4  
£25**

**Family  
of 5  
£30**

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& Eventbrite**

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