

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

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Half Term is just around the corner, Monday 21st - Friday 25th February. This half term seems to have flown by.

We have our 'Wear What you Love' Valentine's Day! next Monday 14th February, £1 donation for PTA.

World Book Day takes place just after half term on Thursday 3rd March. A day where staff are looking forward to sharing their favourite books and finding out what your child's favourite book is; all in the comfort of pyjamas, onesies and dressing gowns. Please see the attached poster.

Twitter is 'live' and the staff and children are really taking great pride in sharing with you what they have been getting up too! Please do check out our Twitter feed, like what you see and even leave a comment! Staff have been sharing with the children what they have been posting. You can find us on our school homepage or @StMichaels\_CE

Thank you Parents who managed to complete the 2 minute Consent form. This has enabled staff to know who they can post or not. Please remember you can send an email to the school office if you would like to update your consent at any point. The children are very keen to share.

The staff and I are very impressed with how the children have been coming into school in the mornings. We have noticed a change in their self confidence and independence. The younger children have shown great resilience and determination to walk in on their own. Mrs Wheller and I are very impressed at how independent they have become. The children have also become very confident responding to 'Good morning' and asking each other and staff how we are. It is lovely to hear this taking place and seeing lots of smiling faces! The smiling faces have kept spirits high, when the wind and rain has been unkind to us in the mornings! A lovely positive start to the school day. You will have also noticed that all three gates open at 8.30am, which I know has prevented anyone having to wait.

I hope the 2022 Challenge is going well! If you need another sponsor form, please call the office and one can be placed in your child's book bag.

We are very aware many children were not very keen initially with the new school menu. It has been difficult getting the balance right with the new catering company. However, I am pleased to share a new menu will be coming out after half term. We feel quite confident that the children will like what is on offer and will be happier with what they eat. Thank you for your feedback and letting us know. Please let us know what you think of the new menu and as always, we will continue to improve where we can.

Lastly, and it is not how i would like to end my email, at pick up, no child/ren should be on the climbing frame for their own health and safety. The climbing frame is out of bounds. Staff are not on duty or responsible for your child/ren once they have dismissed your child into your care. Please keep your child/ren with you at all times. We would like to avoid any child/ren getting hurt or wandering off.

Kindest regards,

Mrs T Ball Interim Headteacher