

26<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Dear Parents, Carers,

The warm weather has truly arrived; thank you to all our parents for remembering hats, sun cream and water bottles. I appreciate there is so much to remember before leaving for school in the morning!

Unfortunately, we cannot allow children to be out at playtime in the sun without a hat. Our youngest children, particularly, cannot be relied upon to stay in the shade.

If you have a spare sun hat at home, Mrs Leatherby would appreciate any donations to ensure all children can play out safely during the day at school.

Thank you for your support.

# Breakfast Club/Wrap Around Care at School.

Just a reminder- we are planning to run 'Breakfast and After School Clubs' at the beginning of the autumn term 2017. Please see Mrs Leatherby or Mrs Anderton for details.

#### St Michael's Attendance Policy

In accordance with RBWM's guidelines, we have reviewed our Attendance Policy. The latest version can be found on the St Michael's web site under 'policies'. I would urge all parents to be aware of the revised policy, and the possible implications for those parents who choose to take their children out of school, during term time, for a holiday.

#### Help!

Safeguarding is our priority at St Michael's and although there are many advantages to being located in the heart of the village, recently, we have needed to be more vigilant when checking the playground for dangerous litter. Although Mr Sendall does perform a sweep each morning, it is easy to miss a bottle or empty can. This morning staff were trying to sweep up all the shards from a broken beer bottle.





We would really appreciate parents helping us to check the playground for dangerous litter at the start of each day. Please don't attempt to pick up any broken bottles or glass. Mr Sendall will deal with this safely, once aware.

Thank you for helping us to keep the children safe.

## **Every Child Matters**

Visitors to St Michael's often comment on the behaviour and welcoming ethos of our school. Thanks to the staff, parents and pupils our school is a kind and caring place to be, where, to quote a child 'children are in a safe bubble in our school!' I am very proud of each and every child at St Michael's and the contribution they make towards embedding our values and ethos.

Recently, following some thoughtless comments about the colour of children's skin, I have needed to remind individual children that we are an inclusive school, where we celebrate difference and every child plays a part in creating the school we know and love.

The school's 'Anti-Bullying Policy' is very clear about our expectations and vision for all the children at St Michael's. I ask you please to support us with our golden values in this matter. The policy is available on the school web-site.

Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

### **Attendance**

Attendance for the week 18 <sup>th</sup> May –	
24 <sup>th</sup> May	
Year 6	96.8%
Year 5	97.0%
Year 4	97.0%
Year 3	96.3%
Year 2	99.0%
Year 1	96.8%
Reception	98.6%

Well done Sparrow class!

Ofsted expect a minimum of 95% attendance. In accordance with other Royal Borough schools we aim for 96.5%.





### Year 5 News

Last term, Year 5 entered a national handwriting competition. The children had to re-write the Lord's Prayer in their neatest handwriting, decorate their work beautifully and answer four questions about the meaning of the prayer. Although the judges found it very difficult to decide upon the winner, four children were eventually selected as overall winners of the competition: Sophia McKinney, Ben Lovell, Hannah Sabey and Emily Csernus. The winners received a personalised prayer book and every member of the class received a lovely personal copy of the Lord's Prayer. Well done to all of Dove class for their fantastic entries and in particular to our four winners.



Ben: Hannah. S:





Emily:



Sophia:







### **Parking for Sports Day**

Please do not park in the lane leading to the Ascot Day Centre and sports field as it needs to remain clear for emergency vehicles and mini buses. Please be considerate when parking. Thank you

### **PTA NEWS & Events**

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Summer Fair – Saturday July 8 12-230pm

### **Adult lost property**

We have accumulated a man's rain coat and umbrella from the meet the teacher event. Please come to the office and speak to Mrs Leatherby if you believe this is yours. Thank you.

## **Dates for the diary**

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	INSET Day
Tuesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> June	Children return to School
Wednesday, 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Sports Day from 9.45am to 2pm – alternative date if wet Tuesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> June
Friday, 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Mufti Day – rainforest animals. Children can dress to reflect rainforest themes
Monday, 12 June	Year 6 on trip
Wednesday, 14 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 5 Assembly
Tuesday, 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Alternative date for Sports Day if 7 <sup>th</sup> June wet
Wednesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> June	Year 6 Assembly
Thursday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> June	School – No Paper Day. Children conserving trees
Friday, 23 <sup>rd</sup> June	2pm Art Exhibition & refreshments. Parents are invited to view and purchase the children's art





Tuesday, 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2, 3, 4 & 5 Parents invited to meet KS2 teaching team 6 – 7pm
Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 4 Assembly
Tuesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Induction Day at Charters
	Moving up morning for all classes
Wednesday, 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Induction Day at Charters
	Year 2 Assembly
Friday, 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 on Greyfriars Church Leavers Trip
Saturday, 8 <sup>th</sup> July	Summer Fayre
Tuesday, 11 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception and Year 2 trip
Wednesday, 12 <sup>th</sup> July	No Electricity Day. Children conserving fosil fuels to save the planet
Thursday, 13 <sup>th</sup> July	Reception Graduation Assembly @2.30
	KS2 Play at the Cordes Hall 6pm
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	KS2 Play at the Cordes Hall 1.45pm
Thursday, 20 <sup>th</sup> July	Leavers Assembly in Church 9.30am
Friday, 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Term Ends at 2pm

