

# St. Michael's Nursery & Infant School

## NEWSLETTER – NOVEMBER 2017

### **Attendance**

The current whole school attendance is 95%. Year 2 are still in the lead with 98.2%, followed by Reception in second place with 95.1%, Year 1 in third place with 94.9% and finally Nursery with 87.28%.

Well done everyone!

### **Governors**

Unfortunately due to unforeseen circumstances our scheduled Governors Committee Meeting was postponed until Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. More news will follow in our December Newsletter.

### **Nursery and Year 2 Parents**

Children should have received information about applying for a place in either Reception or, if they are in Year 2, Junior School. The closing date for all applications is **15<sup>th</sup> January 2018**.

### **Parents Meetings**

During the week beginning 13<sup>th</sup> November teachers are holding parents' meetings for each class. Please check the information on the class notice board and sign up to a date and time that is convenient for you to come into school to speak to your child's class teacher about their progress.

### **School Photographer Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November**

The school photographer will be available for family photographs with siblings who do not attend our school from 8.30a.m. in the school hall. All children will have an individual photograph taken during the day and children who have siblings in school will also have them taken together on this day. School photographs make a great gift at Christmas so please be prompt when ordering to ensure you receive your order on time and avoid a delivery charge.

### **Children in Need – 'Spotacular' fancy dress day Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November**

As mentioned earlier this year our Governing Body agreed that in order to raise monies for school resources due to an ever decreasing budget we will now only raise money for Children in Need.

The BBC Children in Need brings out the best in us, it's our chance to shine, to step up, to do whatever we can to help change the lives of disadvantaged children and young people across the UK. On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November we will be having a `Spotacular` fancy dress day. Please come dressed in spots or whatever fancy dress you like and donate £1.00 to this very deserving charity.

### **Dance Performance for Early Years with Miss Maria Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

As you know the children in Early Years have been working with our dance teacher Miss Maria from Studio 9. Each week Miss Maria has been coming into school and the children have been learning a dance routine. Everyone has had lots of fun and worked really hard and we are pleased to invite parents into school to watch our dance performance.

Your child will be bringing a letter home with the time of their performance.

### **Dick Whittington Pantomime in The Carnegie Theatre**

The children from Reception, Years 1 and 2 will be going to the Carnegie Theatre after lunchtime on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December to watch this year's Christmas pantomime Dick Whittington. We are asking all parents to **collect their child from the Café in the Carnegie at 3pm**. Please do not stand in the foyer as other schools will be using that exit. More reminders of this date and time will follow.

**Please note Teddy Bear Club will be running on this day and these children will stay in school. Please collect children at 3pm as normal.**

### **KS1 Christmas Bingo**

On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December at 1.30pm** we will be holding a Christmas Bingo afternoon for Year 1 and 2 parents and children in our hall. Due to space restrictions we are allocating 2 tickets per child (1 adult and 1 child ticket). If you wish to attend our Christmas Bingo please see the class teacher for your ticket allocation. The tickets are free and will be used for entry to the hall. We will be selling bingo books on the day at the following prices: 1 Book £1, 3 Books £2, 6 Books £3

If you do not wish to attend the Christmas Bingo afternoon please let the class teacher know so your tickets can be made available to other parents.

## **School Meals and Menu**

Our school cook Miss McKnight has now gone on maternity leave and we are very lucky to have Mrs Tice, a very experienced member of the Orian team to hold the fort whilst Miss McKnight is away. Each week the school menu is placed on parent's notice boards to allow parents to see what their child will be eating at lunchtimes. If there is anything you think your child may not like, you can order a jacket potato or a sandwich as an alternative. Changes to the menu must be made on a Monday morning to ensure there is sufficient food ordered. After Monday no further orders can be taken for the week. The menus are on our school website every Friday evening ready for Monday morning. If you would like to view the menu please go to [www.smhwkt.cumbria.sch.uk](http://www.smhwkt.cumbria.sch.uk), click on the 'Information' tab then go to 'School Meals and Menu'. If you would like to email your order in please email [admin@smhwkt.cumbria.sch.uk](mailto:admin@smhwkt.cumbria.sch.uk) or alternatively leave a message on our school office answer machine if you call out of office hours.

Our School Council are currently discussing the menus and some exciting changes are happening. Please check the school notice boards for updated menus!!

Thank you.

## **Dates for your diary**

13 <sup>th</sup> – 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Parents Meetings
14 <sup>th</sup> November	KS1 After School Club Moky Kids 3pm-4pm
16 <sup>th</sup> November	School Photographer
17 <sup>th</sup> November donation	Children in Need – Spotacular – Come to school dressed in spots £1
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	Road Safety Assembly with PCSO Alison Renney
23 <sup>rd</sup> November	Governors Committee Meetings
28 <sup>th</sup> November	Early Years Dance Performance with Miss Maria
28 <sup>th</sup> November	KS1 After School Club Moky Kids 3pm-4pm
5 <sup>th</sup> December Y2	Dick Whittington Pantomime at The Carnegie Theatre Reception, Y1 and
7 <sup>th</sup> December	Primary Puppets in school – Christmas Show 'Being a good person'
7 <sup>th</sup> December	1.30pm KS1 Bingo
12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Lunch
13 <sup>th</sup> December	9.30am Nursery Christmas Show
13 <sup>th</sup> December Y2)	2.00pm Christmas Service in St Michael's Church (Reception, Y1 and
14 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Parties
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Jumper Day
15 <sup>th</sup> December	School Closes at 1.15pm for Christmas Break
4 <sup>th</sup> January	School re-opens at 8.50am for Spring Term 1

## **Save the date**

8 <sup>th</sup> January	Year 2 Hawse End Parents Meeting 2pm
9 <sup>th</sup> January	David Wise After School Club 3pm-4pm
16 <sup>th</sup> January	David Wise After School Club 3pm-4pm
17 <sup>th</sup> January	Full Governing Body Meeting

<i>23<sup>rd</sup> January</i>	<i>David Wise After School Club 3pm-4pm</i>
<i>30<sup>th</sup> January</i>	<i>David Wise After School Club 3pm-4pm</i>
<i>31<sup>st</sup> January</i>	<i>Udance Performance Carnegie 2pm</i>
<i>6<sup>th</sup> February</i>	<i>David Wise After School Club 3pm-4pm</i>
<i>9<sup>th</sup> February</i>	<i>School Closes at 3pm for half term</i>
<i>19<sup>th</sup> February</i>	<i>School re-opens at 8.50am for Spring Term 2</i>
<i>28<sup>th</sup> March</i>	<i>Easter Service in St Michael's Church 2pm</i>
<i>29<sup>th</sup> March</i>	<i>School Closes at 1.15pm for Easter Break</i>
<i>16<sup>th</sup> April</i>	<i>School re-opens at 8.50am for Summer Term 1</i>
<i>19<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup> April</i>	<i>Year 2 to Hawse End</i>
<i>7<sup>th</sup> May</i>	<i>Bank Holiday – School Closed</i>
<i>25<sup>th</sup> May</i>	<i>School Closes at 3pm for half term</i>
<i>4<sup>th</sup> June</i>	<i>School re-opens at 8.50am for Summer Term 2</i>
<i>20<sup>th</sup> July</i>	<i>School Closes at 1.15pm for Summer Break</i>