



# St Michael's Nursery and Infant School

## Newsletter – September 2022



### **Welcome back everyone!**

We would love to wish all of our wonderful children and staff a very warm welcome back! I'm sure the children have all had a lovely break and they have all settled back in to their new classes.

### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Our whole school attendance to date is at 93%. We aim to be above the standard which is 95%, but we understand this time of year can bring lots of tummy bugs and colds. As always, if your child has sickness/diarrhea please keep them at home for 48 hours and call to let us know. Punctuality is very important for your child's education as we like to start their learning as soon as the doors close. If you are struggling to get to school, we still have our Breakfast Club which starts at 8am. Please call the office to book.



### **Weather**

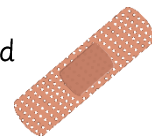
As we enter the Autumn months, the weather is starting to get cooler so all children should come to school with a coat and suitable footwear. If you choose to bring some spare clothing, please put this in a bag with their name on.

### **Climbing frame and outdoor equipment**

We have no problem with the children playing on the equipment before and after school, but please be aware that this is at your own risk and children must be supervised.

### **Jewellery and piercings**

For the safety of all the children, please make sure all jewellery is removed and stud earrings are covered. The children play most of the day and we have lots of sport sessions which they would have to miss if this is not followed.



### **The passing of Her Majesty the Queen**



As you are all aware, Her Majesty the Queen sadly passed away on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September.

Reverend Peter has been into school to do an assembly with the children and the children had a lovely discussion about the Queen. In mark of respect for her service to the country and the life she dedicated to us, we have decided to hold a memorial service on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September in the school hall. We ask if you would like to bring some flowers for your child to put inside a silhouette of the Queen on the hall floor. The Hall doors will be open from 8.30am. The flowers will then be taken over to the Cenotaph by the Year 2 children. School will be closed on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September for the State Funeral.



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### After-School Club Year 2

Gymnastics After-School Club will run every Monday, starting Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September and the final session will be Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December 3pm-4pm. This is a free club, but we encourage children to come each week to ensure they learn all the skills and get awarded with their certificate. Please send in your consent slips before the first session.



### Year 1 and Year 2 school trip to Lake District Wild Life Park



Our first school trip of the year will be to the Lake District Wild Life Park, Keswick on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September. This trip is for Years 1 and 2, and it will help with their school topic, as they are studying Charles Darwin. They will be able to see the tortoises and monkeys and learn all about evolution, whilst having lots of fun too. Lunch will be provided, but we would kindly ask for a contribution of £10 towards the cost of travel and entry

### Harvest Festival



Our whole school Harvest Festival will be held in St Michael's Church at 2pm on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October. The children work so hard each year, learning all the songs and poems and create some lovely work to show. Each year we will be taking donations for our local Food Bank. We will send out a list of food in the coming weeks and would be very grateful for anything you are able to spare. We hope you can all come along and join in with their first service of the year.



### It's time for our annual Autumn Disco!

This year our disco will be held in the school hall on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October 4pm until 6pm. This will be £3.00 per child which will be **paid on the day**. There will be food, entertainment and a whole lot of fun!



### Happy Halloween!

We have lots of Halloween fun planned for our first day back after Half Term (Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October). All children can come to school in their Halloween costumes, but we do ask for no face paint or masks, as there are lots of little ones that may find this a little too scary. We will also be welcoming you all to bring in your pumpkins and we will judge these and hand them back at the end of the day. We hope the children (and teachers) have lots of spooky fun!





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### Dates for the diary:

Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> September at <b>8.30am</b>	Her Majesty the Queen's memorial
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> September	<b>School closed for State Funeral</b>
Monday 26 <sup>TH</sup> September <b>3pm-4pm</b>	Gymnastics After-School Club Week 1
Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> September	KSI Multi Skills Festival at St Josephs
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	KS1 School Trip
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October <b>3pm-4pm</b>	Gymnastics After-School Club Week 2
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> October	Monster Themed Lunch Day
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> October <b>3pm-4pm</b>	Gymnastics After-School Club Week 3
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> October <b>3pm-4pm</b>	Gymnastics After-School Club Week 4
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> October <b>2pm</b>	Harvest Festival at St Michael's Church
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> October <b>4pm-6pm</b>	Autumn Disco in the school hall.
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> October <b>3pm</b>	<b>School closes for Half Term Break</b>
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October <b>8.50am</b>	School re-opens <b>Happy Halloween!</b>
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	Children can dress up and bring their pumpkins!
Monday 31 <sup>st</sup> October <b>3pm-4pm</b>	Gymnastics After-School Club Week 5

